CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Wednesday, January 25, 2023

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CARTERVILLE CITY COUNCIL

The meeting was held in the Council Chambers with Mayor Bradley M. Robinson presiding. He called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Bradley M. Robinson	Mayor	Present
Khristina Hollister	City Clerk	Absent
Michele A. Edwards	Deputy City Clerk	Present
Mark Carney	City Treasurer	Absent
John Allsopp	Alderman/Ward 3	Present
William Edwards	Alderman/Ward 1	Present
Phyllis Emery	Alderman/Ward 4	Present
Tom Harness	Alderman/Ward 2	Present
Teri Ingram	Alderman/Ward 3	Present
Tom Liebenrood	Alderman/Ward 4	Present
Curtis Oetjen	Alderman/Ward 2	Present
Rod Sievers	Alderman/Ward 1	Present

The Mayor declared a quorum present.

Present at the meeting were: Ron Rains, Fire Chief; and Jason Sheraden, Assistant Fire Chief

Recognition of Guests – No Comments

Stryker Cot/Stretcher *lease/purchase for our Ambulance was discussed. The existing cot on the primary ambulance has a broken leg/frame and needs repair and the estimated repair cost is $4,001.00. They recommended against repair as this cot is 13 years old and the purchase value is approximately $500.00. The proposal that Stryker provided is a three-year lease/purchase with a $1.00 balloon payment at the end of the three years for ownership. The lease consists of, not only batteries and preventative maintenance for the three years, but it extends to six years for the batteries and maintenance. This would be beneficial because in three years that cot can be moved to the second out ambulance (there is also a 13 year old cot in it) and then another cot could be leased for the primary ambulance in order to keep our equipment up to date. The total cost of the cot is $35,785.12 which is three annual installments of $13,200.03. Alderman Liebenrood questioned the annual lease cost of approximately $4,000 over the total cost. Chief Rains indicated this is interest on the lease. Alderman Oetjen asked if the batteries and maintenance would be the same if we purchased this equipment in one payment. The Mayor affirmed this. The Mayor also mentioned that we might be able to apply for a grant through our Worker Comp Insurance to help with the cost of this equipment. Chief Rains indicated we have already spent approximately $3,000 for maintenance on this cot.*

Motion 1: Liebenrood moved and Allsopp seconded to approve the purchase of a ***Stryker Power Cot/Stretcher*** including six years of preventative maintenance and batteries for our primary ambulance at a cost of $35,785.12. A roll call vote was taken, and all presented voted yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried. [To be paid from Ambulance Funds]

The Mayor introduced an estimate for lettering the donated truck from Marion with ***Carterville lettering*** *at a cost of $709.37 for the letters and $160.00 for the labor to install the letters for a total of $869.37.*

Motion 2: Oetjen moved and Ingram seconded to approve the purchase of ***lettering for the donated Ladder Fire Truck*** at a cost of $869.37. A roll call vote was taken, and all present voted yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

The Mayor asked the Council to review a bid or ***lighting upgrades for the donated ladder truck****. The information we initially received for this truck was that we had upgrade the entire lighting system to LED. However, the only lighting that is not LED is the Mini Freedom Light Bar and the Red Beacon. The estimated cost for this upgrade from Mid-America Fire and Safety, LLC is $4,864.50.*

Motion 3: Liebenrood moved and Emery seconded to approve **the purchase of LED lighting for the new ladder truck** at a cost of $4,864.50 from Mid-America Fire and Safety. A roll call vote was taken, and all present voted yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

The Mayor explained an emergency purchase of a ***salt spreader for the red dump truck*** *for the Street Department. The existing spreader had an broken chain that was a custom part and hard to replace. The estimated cost to fabricate a new chain was $5,000.00. However, for $5,900.00 we can buy a salt spreader that is like what we have on other vehicles and Jerry Evans will adapt the spreader to the truck. The Finance Committee was contacted about this emergency purchase and the equipment is on order and should be here this week. The Mayor asked for Council approval for this emergency purchase.*

Motion 4: Emery moved and Allsopp seconded to approve the ***emergency purchase of a salt spreader*** for the Street Department at a cost not to exceed $5,900.00. A roll call vote was taken, and all present voted yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion 5: Allsopp moved and Emery seconded to move to **EXECUTIVE SESSION** for the purpose of discussing personnel. All present voted yea and the Mayor and Council left regular session at 6:24 p.m.

Motion 6: Liebenrood moved and Emery seconded to return to **REGULAR SESSION**. All present voted yea, the Mayor declared the motion carried and the Council returned at 7:00 p.m.

Motion 7: Liebenrood moved and Edwards seconded to approve a $0.50 per hour salary increase for ***Austin Miller and Derek Williams***, bringing their salary up to $17.50 per hour. A roll call vote was taken, and all present voted yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion 8: Liebenrood moved and Emery seconded to approve an annual stipend for $2,000.00 for ***Jerry Evans*** for his CDL Instructor position. All present voted yea and the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion 9: Sievers moved and Allsopp seconded to **adjourn**. All present voted yea, the Mayor declared the motion carried and the meeting was dismissed at 7:02 p.m.

Khristina Hollister

Khristina Hollister, City Clerk

Next Ordinance No. 1559-23

Bradley M. Robinson

Bradley M. Robinson, Mayor

Next Resolution No. R457-23