

The Carl Junction City Council met in regular session on Tuesday November 20, 2012 at 7:12 PM at City Hall. Mayor Mike Moss called the meeting to order with the following present: Don Marshall, Steve Daniels, Mark Powers, Bob Cook, Sean Haase and Tim Smith. Aldermen Richard Zaccardelli and Dee Lynn Davey were absent. Also present were City Administrator Steve Lawver, City Clerk Maribeth Matney and City Attorney Mike Talley.

AGENDA

Steve Daniels motioned to approve the agenda as presented. Don Marshall seconded. All in favor. No opposed. Mark Powers motioned to approve the consent agenda. Sean Haase seconded. All in favor. No opposed.

PUBLIC FORUM

There was no one for public forum.

CHAMBER REPORT

Gary Stubblefield reviewed everything that the Chamber was thankful for this year including their working relationship with the City. They try to do the best job for the City and support each other. The Christmas parade is 12/2/12 and the next Chamber meeting is 12/6/12.

INSURANCENTER-WAYNE WILMES-HEALTH INSURANCE RENEWAL QUOTES

Wayne Wilmes reviewed the insurance renewal quote from Anthem. He stated that some of the premiums went up a little and some went down a little and when everything was reviewed it showed no increase for the upcoming year. The only other quote they received was from Aetna that was a viable option. There plan is not as good as what we currently have and not much savings. The council discussed that with the way our group options were that there could possibly be no savings with Aetna. Steve Lawver submitted his recommendation and that was to stay with Anthem. He gave the council the figures for review. Right now we split the costs 90-10 with the employee's. Some will show an increase and others will have a decrease. There was some discussion among the council regarding the bids. Mark Powers motioned to stay with Anthem as our health provider for 2013. Steve Daniels seconded. All in favor. No opposed.

TSI FINAL REPORT ON FEASIBILITY STUDY

Bill with TSI addressed the council. He told the council that they have enjoyed doing our feasibility study. It took them 3 ½ months to complete the study. They have some money left over on the contract. Mark Powers pointed out that if it is priced too high and people can't afford it they will not subscribe. He stated that we are to provide a service not make a whole ton of money off of it. Another council questioned whether the percentage was a reasonable amount. It was stated that the model had a less percentage up front. Steve explained that we won't set the rates the provider will do that. Mark questioned whether we could negotiate for the residents of the City. Steve said that with the State Statute the City cannot be a provider but we can negotiate a contract for our infrastructure. Bob Cook asked again that if someone doesn't subscribe to it that they are not paying for it. Steve said it is not a bond issue. If they don't use it they do not have to pay for it. There was a lot of discussion on the study. It was commented that we have to make enough to put money back for repairs and upgrades. Mayor Moss stated that Richard Zaccardelli called him to discuss it and stated that we need to pursue this to provide for the City's needs for the future. There was some discussion whether this would increase home values. There was some other discussion regarding services. Mark Powers stated that it was a good study and he enjoyed reading it. Steve Lawver stated that the next step would be to look for financing. He needs a consensus of the council to proceed to the next step. It was asked if we would have a service provider before we spent any more money on this. TSI stated that they intend to have a letter of interest with specifications before we build. They have started talking to providers already. Bob Cook said he is for it if you don't have to pay unless you use it. Mark Powers stated we should go forward with it. It was the consensus of the council to proceed to the next step.

REPORTS

The council reviewed the Administration report.
Public Works report – had nothing new to report.
Police Department report – had nothing new to report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Budget/Finance Committee, Mark Powers, reported he had reviewed the monthly financials and they looked in order. We will start meeting in January on the new budget.
The Code/Nuisance Committee met tonight at 6:00 PM and they approved the code amendment for the trimming of trees. It will on the agenda for the next meeting.
The Human Resource Committee had nothing to report.
The Public Facilities had nothing to report.
The Senior Citizen Committee, Steve Lawver, reported that the Lion's Club will be hosting the breakfasts the 1st Saturday of every month.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Steve Daniels stated that we reviewed the policy on volunteer guidelines. Steve Daniels then motioned to adopt the policy on volunteer guidelines and waiver of participation. Mark Powers seconded. All in favor. No opposed.

Mike Talley said he has been working on the code revision on appointing to fill a vacant position. He is not sure that we want to change it after rewriting it and thinking more on it. He asked that the council review it with his additional thoughts. He will look at it further.

Mayor Moss said that Richard will be going to St Luke’s on the 27th and get the pump on the 29th.

Bob Cook asked why we pass ordinances we can’t enforce, such as abandoned vehicles and dogs barking. He asked if they get tickets. He specifically has issues with dogs barking in their neighborhood. Neighbors don’t want to have to sign complaints. Chief Haase stated that if a vehicle is in violation of our code they do get tickets. As far as dogs barking, they have to call the Police Department, and then they can write a ticket. Dave will talk to them 1st to try to resolve the problem. Delmar said that they also have bark collars that the residents can borrow to show that they do work.

NEW BUSINESS

Tim Smith stated he read through some old minutes and asked about APD lift stations. He is concerned that we can be held liable. Steve stated that our contract calls for us to check their lift stations but they do not want them checked every day. We check ours every day but it is not required by DNR. He also said we would not be held liable, we checked with DNR to make sure of that point.

Sean Haase asked about getting more Christmas lights. Steve said that is Chamber related.

Steve Daniels asked about our equipment in the PD cars. He read where there is technology that the car has to be stopped in order for the officer to use the computer. 14% of accidents happen while the officer is trying to put in information. Maybe we could look at that equipment for safety.

The City Clerk stated we had received a request for a letter to the State for a package liquor license for Ozark Hearth and Home. Mark Powers motioned to write the letter for their application. Sean Haase seconded. All in favor. No opposed. The City Clerk then stated that the opening filing date for the council is 12/11/12. The ad in the paper has to have the dates that the City Hall will be closed. Some employee’s asked if we were going to work 12/31/12 and if we could trade it for 1/1/13 or ask the council for that day off. The City Clerk stated that we could not trade but that she could take the request to the council. After some discussion Don Marshall motioned to give the employee’s 12/31/12 off also. Mark Powers seconded. All in favor. No opposed. It was then stated that our 1st meeting in January would be 1/1/13 and that we will need to reschedule it.

Steve reported that the JCPI will be hosting a breakfast 11/30/12 at our Community Center and it is for all the elected officials in the four state area.

ADJOURNMENT

Don Marshall motioned to adjourn the meeting. Sean Haase seconded. All in favor. No opposed. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM.

CITY CLERK

MAYOR