The Carl Junction City Council met in regular session on Tuesday March 05, 2013 at 7:00 PM at City Hall. Mayor Mike Moss called the meeting to order with the following present: Richard Zaccardelli, Don Marshall, Mark Powers, Steve Daniels, Bob Cook and Tim Smith. Aldermen Sean Haase and Dee Lynn Davey were absent. Also present were City Administrator Steve Lawver, City Clerk Maribeth Matney and City Attorney Mike Talley.

AGENDA
Mark Powers motioned to approve the agenda. Steve Daniels seconded. All in favor. No opposed. Mark Powers motioned to approve the consent agenda. Richard Zaccardelli seconded. All in favor. No opposed.

PUBLIC FORUM
There was no one for public forum.

CHAMBER REPORT
Gary Stubblefield went over the Chamber’s March events. On 3/5/13 they are having a skating benefit for the Washburn family. March 7th is the regular Chamber meeting, 3/16/13 is their 2nd annual Business Expo, and 3/28/13 is their Business after Hours at Santino's. April’s events are the Chamber Luncheon, Award Banquet, the Mammography Unit and the Spring Rummage Sale.

APPROVAL OF BUSINESS LICENSE LIST
The council reviewed the business license renewal list. Mark Powers motioned to approve the business license list for renewal. Richard Zaccardelli seconded. All in favor. No opposed. It was suggested we give the list to the Chamber.

APPROVAL OF NEW EQUIPMENT BID FINANCING FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013-14
The council then reviewed the equipment bids received from 4 local banks. They were SMB 3 year term at 3.8%, 4 year term at 3.95%; Commerce Bank 3 year term at 1.53%, 4 year term at 1.58%; Arvest 3 year term at 3.35%, 4 year term at 3.35%; CBT 3 year term at 2.5%, 4 year term at 2.75%. Steve reported that this is for equipment for the Public works department. They need a dump truck with a snow plow and spreader and a tractor. Steve is recommend that we go with the bid from Commerce Bank. Don Marshall motioned to approve the bid from Commerce Bank. Richard Zaccardelli seconded. All in favor. No opposed.

PRESENTATION OF PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 2013-14
Mark Powers presented the proposed budget for 2013-14. He stated that we need to pass it the 1st meeting in April. He asked that the council look it over and if there are any questions we can discuss them at the next meeting. Bob Cook stated that he had some questions and wondered if the committee was going to meet again. Mark replied not unless we need to.

REPORTS
The council reviewed the Administration report. Mayor Moss asked if Mr. Stansbury had everything he needed. He replied that he did. Mayor Moss then asked about the fiber optic survey. Steve stated that he just got the report today and has not reviewed the numbers yet. He would like to talk about the results at the next meeting. He asked the council to look at it and call if they had questions. He also stated he will put it in one document. Bob Cook asked where we got the numbers and Steve replied that they come from the resident’s survey’s. We had almost 25% response from our residents. HSTCC put the numbers together for us and did all the analysis. Steve also said that he has another 45-50 survey’s that came in after he gave those to HSTCC.

Public Works report – Steve reported that Marvin Lundien had a heart attack and was in the hospital. The City Clerk reported that they hoped he would get out today and that he was going to need a pace maker. We are not sure how long he will be off work. Steve stated that Jimmy and Dwayne Hole were covering the WWTP. Bob Cook asked about the street lighting Empire was working on. It was stated that it was for sidewalks and lighting on North Main St from Pennell to the Community Center. Steve also reported that he will be working with Mr. Solberg (Copper Oaks) on an education campaign. We found that our 8” main sewer line was blocked by disposable wipes that are not supposed to be flushed.

Police Department report – had nothing new to report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS
The Budget/Finance Committee reported that they had presented our proposed budget for review.
The Code/Nuisance Committee reported that they met tonight to go over 2009 Building Codes that are being recommended by our Building Inspector. Steve will make the changes suggested and get them to our City Attorney for an ordinance to be drawn up.
The Human Resource Committee reported that they heard a presentation from Liberty National Insurance for voluntary insurance programs for our employees. They have given their consent for them to talk to our employees.
The Public Facilities Committee had nothing to report.
The Senior Citizen Committee just asked that we try to encourage people to eat at the Senior Center. They have talked about cutting back on the Meals for Wheels. Steve said it was $3.00 for senior citizens and $7.00 for people under 60.
UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Bob Cook discussed about our facility being misused and equipment being broken. He said that we need to hire people for the front desk that will prevent that. Steve said this is about the 3rd time we have had something broken. It cost about $500 this last time. Steve also stated that the reason we provide balls is so that we have control of what kind of balls get used on our floors. It was stated that Public Facilities would handle that type of complaint. Bob Cook then brought up a sports complex. We have a G.O. Bond going off the books in 1½ years. Bob also asked if we could use that money to pay on the building to pay it off faster. Steve said that we could do either one. It will have to go to a vote of the people no matter what we use it on if we want to keep it. Steve said he has talked to Piper Jaffrey about how much money we would have to use on a sports complex if it gets voted in and also with our engineer’s about a piece of property that is about 18 acres and what kind of design on a sports complex we could do with that acreage. Bob stated that we need to get some of our local clubs to get behind this idea and do some fund raising. Bob said he would help any way he could. We need to do something for the kids. There was a lot of discussion about a sports complex and consolidating all of it in one spot. Tim Smith was concerned about competing with Joplin Sports Authority. Mayor Moss stated he had talked to someone from that Association and said that we could work together to do a regional tournament like Kansas City and other big towns. Bob said that we need to work on the quality of life for our young kids. He is all for it.

Tim Smith then stated he had come in to talk to Maribeth one day and had to wait so he went into the gym. There was a mother who wanted her son to run on the track but the gym had been rented out and he couldn’t run. He was asked to leave the gym. He stated that our people pay for this building and does not feel they should be run off. He asked if groups can rent the gym for a week at a time. Steve went over our rental policy and stated that from December through March the gym is very busy with leagues. There was a lot of discussion about rental policies. It was also suggested we have some open gym time for people who just want to do a pickup game with friends. It was pointed out that even though it is a CJ league does not necessarily mean that they pay taxes on the facility. They could be in the school district and be in the league but not pay taxes. They would be no different than a group from Joplin coming in. There was a lot of discussion about this.

NEW BUSINESS

Bob Cook asked about the concrete slab we own south of the PD. He asked if we were liable if someone gets hurt on it. He said that skateboarders are using it. Steve said he could talk to a company about putting in a skateboard area. Bob said he was just concerned about liability. Steve will check into it. He could have Jimmy dig it out if we are going to be held liable if someone gets hurt.

CLOSED SESSION PER RSMO 610.021 (3): HIRING, FIRING, DISCIPLINING OR PROMOTING OF PARTICULAR EMPLOYEES BY A PUBLIC GOVERNMENTAL BODY WHEN PERSONAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE EMPLOYEE IS DISCUSSED OR RECORDED.

Don Marshall motioned to go into closed session per RSMO 610.021 (3): Hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting of particular employees by a public governmental body when personal information about the employee is discussed or recorded. Steve Daniels seconded. Zaccardelli-y, Marshall-y, Daniels-y, Powers-y, Davey-absent, Haase-absent, Cook-y, Smith-y. Council went into closed session 7:88 PM.

Council came out of closed session 9:10 PM. Mayor Moss reported that the Board of Aldermen has met in closed session three times to evaluate the performance of the City Administrator, Steve Lawver. The first closed session on February 19 followed immediately after Ms. Mary Schillaci made serious allegations of misconduct against Mr. Lawver. The Board has investigated those allegations to the extent it believes appropriate. The investigation included an interview with Mr. Lawver concerning each of the allegations. The Board, after giving the matter its serious consideration, is completely satisfied with the responses of Mr. Lawver. No further action is planned related to those allegations. Furthermore, the Board is very pleased with the performance of Mr. Lawver as City Administrator, and the Board looks forward to his continued employment as City Administrator for the City of Carl Junction.

ADJOURNMENT

Mark Powers motioned to adjourn the meeting. Richard Zaccardelli seconded. All in favor. No opposed. Meeting adjourned at 9:12 PM.

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CITY CLERK                                      MAYOR

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