The Carl Junction City Council met in regular session on Tuesday September 15, 2015 at 7:00 PM at City Hall. Mayor Mike Moss called the meeting to order with the following present: Don Marshall, Richard Zaccardelli, Mark Powers, Tim Smith, Roger Spencer, Wayne Smith and LaDonna Allen. Alderman Bob Cook was absent. Also present were City Administrator Steve Lawver, City Clerk Maribeth Matney and City Attorney Mike Talley.

AGENDA

PUBLIC FORUM
Richard Bourne, 144 Red Oak Drive, said he addressed the council 3 times now and nothing has been done. He does not understand why the neighbor’s do not have to follow the rules. The city needs to enforce them for all residents or forget them. He wants a simple answer. Mayor Moss said that there are procedures that need to be followed. It can take up to 2 weeks.

Gary Starks, 501 Cherry Lane, addressed the council about his water bill. He was given a printout and the months he has highlighted shows water usage for watering his flowers. In July and August he uses a lot of water and he would like to see a change so that people are not being charged for sewer they are not using. It is not just him but would like to see it for everyone. Mark Powers said he had the same problem and he put in a different meter. We have no way of knowing how much water is being used. The extra meter is $495.00 but there are no sewer charges on it. There was a lot of discussion amongst the council about charging sewer on all water used since we don’t know how much is being used on the yards. Ladonna asked if he was sure he had no leak. Mr. Starks said yes. He was out of town over the weekend and read it before he left and after he got back and there was no usage.

CHAMBER REPORT
Gary Stubblefield reported that the last Chamber meeting was 9/3/15 and their next meeting is 10/1/15. They have a lot of activities coming up regarding Breast Cancer Awareness. Their kick off will be 9/30/15. They will be having another pink balloon launch and last year one made it all the way to Kentucky. On 10/6/15 they will be having a workshop from 10:30 to 12:00 about Google’s national campaign to get small businesses included. The Bluegrass Festival is 9/25/15 and they still need volunteers. They need about 172 volunteers so that they all have easy shifts. It is basically welcoming people.

MIRMA HEALTH INSURANCE PROPOSAL
David Hickman stated he was back as a follow up with their insurance proposal from last week. The outpatient lab will be 100% as part of their prevention program. It changed the premium a penny. The diagnostic X-ray’s is where the employee’s could be effected. You would still have to meet the deductible for those. He is advising the City to stay the current course regarding it being paid after the deductible until we get a couple of years experience to look at. Then we could look and reconsider the co-pay on those. Mark Powers thanked him for checking on that. Chief Haase asked about providers. He stated that you see Mercy on the list everywhere but Freeman was only long term injury care. David replied they are both in network. David Wehmeyer asked if down the road the city could look at better co pay on diagnostic X-rays, MRI, etc. There was discussion about the cost of services. David replied that they have the best cost even if not covered until after deductible. They are working for the protection of the employee. Alaina Wright asked if Freeman would be dropped later. David said that all networks change and there is no guarantee. They looked at a lot of networks and tried to get the best coverage. Mark Powers motioned to accept the health insurance proposal from MIRMA. Don Marshall seconded. All in favor. No opposed. It will be effective 12/1/15.

REPORTS
The council reviewed the Administration report. Tim Smith asked about 520 Pine Street problems. Steve said that he talked to Ms. Langston and she has a survey and is talking to her attorney. Steve asked for a copy of the survey and she will bring it by City Hall. There was also discussion about G&G Construction not being completed with the expansion yet. It was to be completed 8/5/15. They are now being fined $1000/day for damages. It will come off the final payment as a deduct. There was a lot of discussion about why they missed the date by so far. The discussion went back to 520 Pine and it was stated that someone removed the survey pin. Steve said that this is no concern of the City it is a feud between neighbors. Ms. Langston is very upset. Steve said that he has talked to her and the water problem on her property she will take care of that and she is OK with that now. There was discussion about her signing a complaint about the neighbor. Mike Talley pointed out that the municipal court has a maximum fine of $500. They could need to go to the circuit court to balance the inequities. Tim Smith then asked how a person can be allowed to put a fence on his neighbor’s property. He asked if we required surveys. It was stated not. There was a lot of discussion about this problem.

Public Works report - had nothing to add to report.
Police Department report - had nothing to add to report.
Building Inspector report – had nothing to add to report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS
Budget/Finance - Mark Powers stated that he reviewed the August bank statements and everything seems to be in order.
Code/Nuisance – Don Marshall reported they met tonight and tabled the ordinance under review on Section 220.100.
Human Resources – Roger Spencer had nothing to report.
Public Facilities & Planning – Tim Smith had nothing to report.
Senior Citizens – Richard Zaccardelli had nothing to report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS
Richard Zaccardelli asked about the Schuber Mitchell property. It was stated that they went back to Gary Rose’s original plat map (Fox Briar Plat #2) and it has been recorded. If they plan on developing the rest of it they will have to submit a subdivision plat and go through the subdivision process.

Mike Talley brought up Mr. Starks request regarding watering lawn and flowers. He stated that Duquesne uses the average for Jan, Feb and March for sewer charges. It was stated that this has been discussed several times and the council’s always decide to not average it.

LaDonna Allen stated that a lot of Jasper County official’s were at the Chamber meeting. She sees where the Chamber is bringing revenues into the City.

NEW BUSINESS
City Clerk Matney reported that Steve and she will be out of the office Monday through Wednesday at the annual MML conference.

ADJOURNMENT
Mark Powers motioned to adjourn the meeting. Richard Zaccardelli seconded. All in favor. No opposed. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.

/CITY CLERK

/MAYOR