

MINUTES FOR THE TOWN OF CARROLLTON
June 15, 2020

The Council for the Town of Carrollton met in regular session on Monday, June 15, 2020, at 6:00 p.m., at the Rupe Center, Carrollton, MO to abide by social distancing due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Clerk Reimer swore in the following Council members: Councilman Ward I- Keith Higgins, Councilwoman Ward III- Martha Brunjes, and Councilwoman-at-Large – Scarlet Horine.

ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken and answered by the following: Councilwoman Bliss, Councilman Higgins, Councilwoman Horine, Mayor Bartlett, Counselor Cowherd, Councilman Shields and Councilwoman Brunjes.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Addition: New Business -

Delete: Official Reports- “c” Terry Bell – Request To Amend Admin. Capital Expense Budget.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Horine and seconded by Councilwoman Bliss to approve the agenda with changes. The motion passed without opposition with the following council members voting yes: Bliss, Higgins, Horine, Shields and Brunjes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes from the Regular Meeting held on June 1, 2020 were presented.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Brunjes and seconded by Councilman Shields to approve the minutes for the Regular Meeting held on June 1, 2020. The motion passed without opposition with the following council members voting yes: Bliss, Horine, Shields and Brunjes. Higgins abstained.

TABLED ITEM

- a. No Agenda.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Election Results

Clerk Reimer read the Election Results of April 7, 2020 election held on June 2, 2020.

Councilman At-Large – Scarlet Horine 253 votes
Councilman Ward I – Keith Higgins 73 votes
Councilman Ward III – Martha Brunjes 55 votes

A motion was made by Councilman Shields and seconded by Councilwoman Bliss to accept the election results. The motion passed without opposition with the following council members voting yes: Bliss, Horine, Shields and Brunjes. Higgins abstained.

b. Darrin Potter – Trash Service Issues

Darrin Potter was present to address the Council.

Per the trash service, trash at an empty house will not be picked up.

Trash service had previously come to an agreement to not pick up construction trash.

Mr. Potter also complained that he is still being billed for trash pick-up on his monthly Municipal Utilities bill, even though trash will not be picked up since the house is unoccupied.

The State Statute permits the billing of all residences.

Mr. Potter requested that the Ordinance be changed.

The contract for trash service is a cooperative contract which is county wide.

The Town of Carrollton gets two (2) votes.

The Mayor will contact the County Waste Commission and determine what is allowed.

This matter was tabled to allow the Mayor to contact the County Waste Commission.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Horine and seconded by Councilwoman Bliss to table the trash pick-up issue until the Mayor can meet with the County Waste Commission. The motion passed without opposition with the following council members voting yes: Bliss, Higgins, Horine, Shields and Brunjes.

c. CMU Superintendent, Clint Mathis- MPUA Mopep Infrastructure Grant Program

Yuille Lawson- VP of MPUA (Missouri Public Utilities Association) was introduced and addressed the Council.

Mr. Lawson commended the CMU staff and employees of the Town of Carrollton for their dedicated commitment in issuing the Merchant Bucks and for providing reliable and affordable utilities.

Municipal Utilities is a part of the MO energy pool (Mopep) – buys power collectively.

Mr. Lawson presented a check in the amount of \$52,410 as a Grant to Municipal Utilities to help with the recent costs of replacing switch gears.

The Mayor thanked MPUA for their donation.

d. Amending Ordinance No. 992 – Bill 2020-13 Ordinance 2020-1346

An Ordinance Adding Section 505-025 To The Municipal Code In Regard To

Emergency Work Involving Dangerous Buildings.

The Mayor requested a reading of the Ordinance by Title.
The Mayor requested a second reading of the Ordinance by Title.

Planning and Zoning Administrator Kim Burger addressed the Council.
Existing building off the square has partially collapsed.
The owner has no insurance.
There currently is \$30,000 in demo budget.
The building needs to be secured prior to demo.
The Ordinance allows for matching State Law and to allow City to do emergency work without notices or hearings. Synchronizes Statute with State Law.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Horine and seconded by Councilwoman Bliss to accept Bill 2020-13 as Ordinance 2020-1346. The motion passed without opposition with the following council members voting yes: Bliss, Higgins, Horine, Shields and Brunjes.

The building at the corner of S. Main and Washington is getting worse.
Counselor Cowherd advised Kim Burger to send out letters for dangerous building process.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Horine and seconded by Councilman Shields to initiate action to put Emergency Order in place. The motion passed without opposition with the following council members voting yes: Bliss, Higgins, Horine, Shields and Brunjes.

OLD BUSINESS

No Agenda.

OFFICIAL REPORTS

a. Street Supervisor – Vern Dale Martin and Michael Link

Michael Link was present.
Michael provided the council with a log of daily activity.
Lisa Ream contacted Capital Paving and they are hoping to be in town late July.
Martha Brunjes stated that at the intersection of N. Locust and W. Benton there is a manhole dipping down. When cars cross it, the cars rock from side to side.
There is no way for a car crossing that area to avoid it.
6th and Locust – with the heavy rain we had, this area is a concern again.
The Mayor stated that there were many potholes that needed to be patched.
The Mayor also informed Michael Link that he needed to look at delegating work.
Councilman Shields voiced concern of all three (3) street employees always together on any job.

b. Wastewater Supervisor – Tammy Hamblen

A log of daily activity was provided to the Council.

DNR may be requiring testing on Sunday and also taking water samples to health department. Once testing is done, there would be machines in different areas that would be able to tell hot spots for COVID. If the Town of Carrolton is pooled it will be 2-4 weeks before know if the Town is picked. The Town will be able to seek reimbursement for hours and equipment used for the testing. Further testing due to a Grant the DNR received.

Received a 100% on the Wet Test.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Participated in Town Hall virtual meeting.

On June 12, 2020- Public hearing was held regarding the request by Feelz Good Green Medical Marijuana for a 100% abatement on their property tax. A 50% tax abatement by the Enhanced Enterprise Zone was already guaranteed. All committee members were in support of the additional 50% tax abatement, therefore the request of a 100% tax abatement was granted for ten (10) years.

The Mayor also went on a walk through of the Feelz Good site. It should be one of the first facilities in Missouri to open.

Feelz Good held a job fair. They are hiring 10 employees immediately and hopefully increase to 100-150 by next year.

The pool will be ready by the end of the month. They will have a soft opening. 1st Friday events will take place in July and August and the North side of the square will be blocked off.

July 4th the Southside Baptist Church will hold an event on the square to honor first responders and all medical personnel from 3:00 pm to 9:00 pm. This will include music, a prayer rally and a fish fry.

Band Day is on schedule so far and the Town will plan for it.

Next Council meeting will be held at City Hall.

City Hall's doors will remain closed until the end of the month

June 17, 2020 there will be COVID-19 testing at the Rupe Center.

One Police Officer and three Fire Department employees exposed to a positive COVID-19 individual.

REPORT OF COUNCIL

Horine: CMU meeting attended virtually.
CMU setting up new substation north of Town.
Library Board- next Council meeting agenda will need to approve a new Board member

Park Board – Pool soft opening will be training for new lifeguards.
Decided on cost of pool parties – usage of slides will cost extra.
Met with Street Department regarding concrete culvert behind Wash
Weld Whatever, Need easement to put pipe in. Will also need the
legal description and property owner.

Higgins: No Report.

Bliss: No Report.

Brunjes: Inquired of Clint Mathis about one of CMU's trucks that died.

Shields: Chamber event July 3, 2020 – will have band and food. Need the
City's approval for the Street and Police Department to block off.
Shields was advised to advise the Chamber they needed to contact
the Health Department.

Counselor: No Report.

Reimer: No Report.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Bliss and seconded by Councilwoman Horine to pay the AgPower bill in the amount of \$225.71. The motion passed without opposition. Council members voting yes were: Bliss, Higgins, Horine and Brunjes. Shields abstained.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Bliss and seconded by Councilwoman Brunjes to pay the bills as presented. The motion passed without opposition. Council members voting yes were: Bliss, Higgins, Horine, Shields and Brunjes.

GUEST ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The Mayor recognized all the guests in attendance via teleconference and thanked them for attending. Guests in attendance via teleconference were: Kim Burger, Michael Link, Clint Mathis, Tammy Hamblen, Melanie Higgins, Brittany Higgins, Jana Higgins, Darrin Potter and Janet Zullig.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Horine and seconded by Councilwoman Bliss to adjourn the Regular Meeting. The motion passed without opposition. Council members voting yes were: Bliss, Horine, Shields and Brunjes. Ward I vacant.

The meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

/s/ Dana L. Reimer
DANA L. REIMER, Clerk