

October 18, 2021

The Council for the Town of Carrollton met in regular session on Monday, October 18, 2021, at 6:00 p.m., at City Hall at 206 W. Washington, Carrollton, MO 64633

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Frank Olvera.

ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken and answered by the following: Councilwoman McCoy, Councilman Higgins, Councilwoman Bliss, Mayor Olvera, Counselor Cowherd, Councilman Hughes and Councilwoman Brunjes.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Councilwoman Brunjes and seconded by Councilman Hughes to approve the Agenda as presented. The motion passed without opposition with the following council members voting yes: McCoy, Higgins, Bliss, Hughes and Brunjes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes for the Regular Meeting held on October 4, 2021 were presented.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Bliss and seconded by Councilman Hughes to approve the minutes for the Regular Council meeting held on October 4, 2021 as presented. The motion passed without opposition with the following council members voting yes: McCoy, Higgins, Bliss, Hughes and Brunjes.

TABLED ITEM

- a. No Agenda.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Darrin Potter and Chris Newham - 6th Street Nuisance

Chris Newham stated that Darrin Potter owns 17 properties in town and all have been flipped. Their complaint was regarding a property on 6th Street, the subject of their complaint that is located across the street from a house Darrin has flipped. They have had to reduce the sale price due to this property. They presented a log sheet to Council of their complaint and actions taken or not taken.

Lengthy discussion was held regarding the ticketing and court process. The individual had been ticketed and this violation was just resolved by payment of the fine in Court. The individual was served another ten (10) day Notice which has expired, in violation again and can be ticketed. Ticket will be issued on Tuesday, October 19, 2021.

Counselor Cowherd informed Mr. Potter he can personally file a civil suit.

b. Park Superintendent, Russ Mayden – Addressing Changes To The Park Curfew In Ordinance No.: 2015-1164 §09.120, 3-2 2015

Currently the park is open from 6:00 a.m. - 11:00 p.m. April – October
6:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m. November – March

The Park Board would like to go to a dusk to dawn time frame for closure of Park. The Board would like these changes to try and take hold of vandalism issues. Need an exception for lighted ball fields, tennis courts – planned athletic events.

Regarding vandalism, the issue of being able to ticket the parent of a minor. Currently, the minor can only be referred to the Juvenile Office.

Counselor Cowherd will draft an Ordinance to set park hours at dusk to dawn, excluding the walking trail. All town curfew will follow the same hours as the intermediate driver's license. The exception of the planned athletic events will include the Park will be closed thirty (30) minutes after the ending of the event.

Use Permit for use of park facilities.

The ball field is not school property. The school cannot enforce suspensions on an individual since they do not lease it or own it.

If have a lease – restricted public property,

The Town should be assessing a fee to the school since the Town maintains the fields. The Park Supt. gets the field ready but doesn't maintain it during or after games.

The Park Board is working to have a fee amount in place by the next calendar year.

Counselor Cowherd will move forward drawing up a Lease.

Estimates for new bathroom in Park.

Estimates from Wood Shed were reviewed.

The new building will be bigger, contain 4 stalls, touchless fixtures. Will match the pool house building and ADA compliant.

Counselor Cowherd stated the bid needs prevailing wage and payment of performance bond. This matter will need to be bid out.

The Council will revisit this matter in a couple of weeks.

OLD BUSINESS

a. Review Animal Control Ordinance #2016-1191 §020-5-16-2016

Council gave Chief Looney their notes on the sample ordinances previously provided to them. Chief Looney will draft an Ordinance consisting of common likes and dislikes for review.

OFFICIAL REPORTS

a. Fire Chief – Lonnie Sensenich

Mike Hamblen received certifications for:
Fire Service Instructor I
Live Fire Instructor

Brandon Blount received a certification for:
Fire Service Instructor II

A motion was made by Councilman Hughes and seconded by Councilwoman McCoy to give Mike Hamblen a \$0.25/hour raise for each certification for a total of \$0.50/hour raise. Council members voting yes were: McCoy, Higgins, Bliss, Hughes and Brunjes.

A motion was made by Councilman Hughes and seconded by Councilwoman Bliss to give Brandon Blount a \$0.25/hour raise for his certification. Council members voting yes were: McCoy, Higgins, Bliss, Hughes and Brunjes.

The old ladder truck was sold to Tontitown, AR for \$10,000.

Fire Protection Week last week went very well.

Halloween Costume contest will be held October 31, 2021 on the square beginning at 5:00 p.m. The square will be closed during that time.

b. Police Chief – Christopher Looney

Celeste Kaiser – probationary period has ended.
Derek Hawkins – probationary period has ended.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Bliss and seconded by Councilman Hughes to give Celeste Kaiser a \$0.50/hour raise. Council members voting yes were: McCoy, Higgins, Bliss, Hughes and Brunjes.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Bliss and seconded by Councilman Hughes to give Derek Hawkins a \$0.50/hour raise. Council members voting yes were: McCoy, Higgins, Bliss, Hughes and Brunjes.

MAYOR'S REPORT

- a. The water line replacement project is moving along slowly. They are currently patching, curbing and seeding. When they are done the 6th Street culvert will be addressed.
- b. The equipment on the Old Place's parking lot is Everyg's. The Town has leased the lot to them for this purpose.
- c. Dog Park at the Park. Location of the old swimming pool. Individuals want to lease this property for one (1) year and will vacate at the end of the one (1) year.

The Park Board is in favor of this contract.

Counselor Cowherd stated there needs to be a Memorandum of Understanding. This will be the Town's dog park and the liability will be the same as the rest of the Park.

- d. Lauren George attended the event honoring Charles Farmer in the absence of the Mayor. The class of 1973 had the Fight Song of CHS copyrighted. Lauren presented the Mayoral Proclamation declaring October 15, 2021 as Charles Farmer Day.
- e. Vern Dale Martin Benefit. Lauren gave credit to Tammy Hamblen for spearheading this event. No Town of Carrollton funds were used. A total of \$20,000 was raised for Vern Dale Martin's medical expenses.

REPORT OF COUNCIL

Bliss: Carrollton RVII is working on a formal agreement with the Park.

Higgins: 7th Street – the Mayor stated Bryan Mathis is working on this.

McCoy: No Report..

Brunjes: Enjoyed her time helping at the Vern Dale Martin benefit.

Hughes: No Report

Counselor: No Report.

Reimer: No Report.

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

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No comments.

GUEST ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Kim Burger, Terry Bell, Lauren George, Chief Looney, Chief Sensenich, Darrin Potter, Chris Newham, Russ Mayden, Gary Kappler, LaRue Hawkins, Rebecca Smith and Janet Zullig.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Bliss and seconded by Councilwoman McCoy to enter into a closed meeting with closed record and closed vote to the extent permitted by law, pursuant to §610.021 (3),(13) RSMo for the following purposes:

Pursuant to §610.021 (3) and (13) to consider the hiring, firing, discipline or promoting of particular employees or personnel.

The motion was approved by the following roll call vote: McCoy – yes, Higgins – yes, Bliss– yes, Hughes – yes and Brunjes – yes.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Bliss and seconded by Councilman Hughes to adjourn the regular meeting. The motion passed without opposition. Council members voting yes were: McCoy, Higgins, Bliss, Hughes and Brunjes.

The meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

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