

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF CARTHAGE, MISSOURI
July 12, 2022

The Carthage City Council met in regular session on the above date in the Council Chambers at 6:30 P.M. with Mayor Dan Rife presiding. Fire Chief Ryan Huntley gave the invocation and Police Chief Bill Hawkins led the flag salute.

The following Council Members answered roll call: Alan Snow, Ed Hardesty, Ed Barlow, Mark Elliff, Robin Harrison, Ceri Otero, and Robin Blair. Council Members David Armstrong, Brandi Ensor, and Trudy Blankenship were absent. City Administrator Greg Dagnan and City Attorney Nate Dally were also present.

The following Department Heads were present: Police Chief Bill Hawkins, Fire Chief Ryan Huntley, Public Works Director Zeb Carney, Parks & Recreation Director Mark Peterson, Assistant City Administrator Traci Cox, and City Clerk Miranda Deal.

Mr. Elliff made a motion, seconded by Ms. Harrison, to approve the minutes of the June 28, 2022 Council Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Mark Peterson gave a speech on the impact that Brian Bradley had on the community and presented his wife with his Parks truck license plate that is being retired.

Mayor Rife read the Proclamation that he signed on July 7th honoring Brian and his commitment to the City of Carthage. Mark Peterson gave the family multiple copies of the Proclamation that the Mayor signed. He also presented a plaque to outgoing Council Member Ed Barlow who has resigned from Ward 5.

During Citizen's Participation Period, Chuck Bryant with Carthage Water & Electric gave the Council an update on the energy consumption that is happening across the SPP region. He briefed them on what happened during winter storm Uri and the rolling blackouts that happened and discussed the potential for the same thing happening soon if temperatures continue to be at record highs. He wanted the Council to be able to answer citizen questions, should they ask why they are having to do the rolling blackouts if it gets to that point. Gene Griffith asked the Council to get the bridges that are closed down, fixed and usable again. He is concerned that they are causing emergency management and mail delivery issues. He would like to see the City apply for grants or other funding to help get them repaired and open again.

Mr. Snow reported that the budget committee met on July 11 and discussed the Fiscal Year 2022 budget adjustment. These usually come out later in the year and there may be more of them to come, this adjustment moves the money to the accounts that the Council has already approved. It appears in C. B. 22-36. He also stated the Azavar contract was discussed due to the Committee on Insurance Audit & Claims meeting being cancelled and the Council Bill being on the agenda already. It was approved and appears in C. B. 22-35. Mr. Snow also went over the cleaning bids that were received for the cleaning of City Hall. The Committee approved the low bid of \$1,300 per month

Mr. Barlow made a motion, seconded by Mr. Snow, to adjourn the regular session of the Council Meeting. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Dan Rife, Mayor

Miranda Deal, City Clerk