

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

March 13, 2012

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CARTERVILLE CITY COUNCIL

The meeting was held in the Council Chambers with Mayor Charles W. Mausey presiding. He called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Charles W. Mausey	Mayor	Present
Michele A. Edwards	City Clerk	Present
Mary Jane Fuller	Deputy City Clerk	Present
Mark Carney	City Treasurer	Present
Phyllis Emery	Alderman/Ward 4	Present
Tom Gentry	Alderman/Ward 1	Present
John Gooden	Alderman/Ward 3	Present
Mike Helfrich	Alderman/Ward 2	Present
James Houseworth	Alderman/Ward 1	Present
Jacob Rendleman	Alderman/Ward 2	Present
Brad Robinson	Alderman/Ward 4	Present
Tony Trombino	Alderman/Ward 3	Present

The Mayor declared a quorum present.

Others present were: Marvin Oetjen and Curt Oetjen, Kamper Supply; Diane Gutiérrez, Downtown Merchant; Ray Tholen, Carterville United Pantry; Bud Edwards, Maintenance Superintendent; Dave Bloodworth, Street Superintendent; Jan Campbell, Chamber of Commerce; Attorney Josh Bradley; John Crawford, Crawford & Associates; Jennifer Spence, Downtown Redevelopment; Bruce Talley, Fire Chief; Monty Jerals, Police Chief; John Frost, Assistant Police Chief; Jason Mulholland (and three children), South Division Street; Gary Hanley, Citizen; Randal Cavins and Gary Cooper, Zoning/Planning Board; Khrissy Hollister, Block Party Coordinator; Bill Venable and Joe Venable, Visitors; Cora Taylor, Baptist Association; Jeff Stuck, Ambulance Coordinator; Jeff Church, Water and Sewer Department Laborer; Jerry Humble, Citizen; and Laura Addison, Visitor.

Motion 1: Trombino moved and Emery seconded to *approve the minutes* of the Regular Meeting of February 14, 2012 as presented in pamphlet form. All voted yea and the Mayor declared the motion carried.

Mark Carney presented the February 2012 Treasurer's Report.

Motion 2: Helfrich moved and Emery seconded to approve the February 2012 Treasurer's Report as prepared and submitted by Mark Carney. A roll call vote was taken and all present voted yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Recognition of Guests

The Mayor welcomed all present and asked for questions from the audience.

Jason Mulholland who lives on the corner of Vine Alley and South Division Street thanked the Council and Police Department for their efforts to help with speeding on Vine Alley and asked what more can be done to reduce speed even more. The Mayor encouraged Mr. Mulholland to work with the Police Department.

Ray Tholen, American Legion, asked about a bucket brigade that was requested. There is a bucket brigade scheduled for May 19 to TLC and the American Legion wants Memorial Day weekend each year (May 25).

Ray Tholen, Carterville United Pantry, indicated that they have purchased a 10' X 16' wooden portable building for the Pantry and wanted directions about how to place this behind the building. The Council indicated that they should work with the building inspector and Jennifer Spence.

Motion 3: Rendleman moved and Emery seconded to **allow placement of a 10' X 16' storage building for the Carterville United Pantry** (with the understanding that it be locked and secured and, if this placement interferes with any future plans for downtown parking, this will be moved). A roll call vote was taken and all present voted yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

The Mayor informed the Council and Ray Tholen that Jennifer Spence has completed a drawing and ordered the bricks for the Veteran's Memorial. All current orders will be placed in the first section of sidewalk in front of the Memorial.

Department Heads

*Dave Bloodworth, Street Superintendent, presented a request for the purchase of **100 tons of shoulder bam** at an approximate cost of \$5,000.00.*

Motion 4: Houseworth moved and Helfrich seconded to **purchase 100 tons of shoulder bam** for the Street Department at a cost of approximately \$5,000.00. A roll call vote was taken, and all present voted yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

There was an agreement made with the Harrison Foundation to have the new soccer fields fertilized and seeded as a condition of the grant for the Cannon Park pavilion and bathroom renovations. This project has an approximate cost of \$3,000.00.

Motion 5: Emery moved and Gooden seconded to **fertilize and seed the soccer fields at Cannon Park** at a cost of approximately \$5,000.00 [City Park Fund]. A roll call vote was taken and all present voted yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

*Dave Bloodworth asked to have **old posts and signs declared surplus property** (450 old signs and 150 old posts) so that they can be sold as scrap and the funds used to purchase new style square posts for our signs.*

Motion 6: Houseworth and Helfrich seconded to pass Resolution No. R391-12, A RESOLUTION DECLARING CERTAIN STREET DEPARTMENT PROPERTY AS SURPLUS. A roll call vote was taken and all present voted yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

SPRING CLEANUP DATES – APRIL 16 (NORTH) AND APRIL 17 (SOUTH)

Bud Edwards, Maintenance Superintendent, informed the Council that he had been soliciting prices from local tree services for removal of trees and stumps at James and Cannon Parks. The only response he received from the three services he contacted was from Hodges Tree Service in Marion. The price was \$1,750.00 for removal of three trees and grinding the stumps, removal of two additional stumps, and trimming three trees and removing one large tree from Cannon Park.

Motion 7: Emery moved and Gooden seconded to contract with **Hodges Tree Service, Marion**, for removal of trees, trimming of trees and removal of stumps in the City Parks. A roll call vote was taken, and all present voted yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

*Edwards further explained that it is time to renew the **mowing contract** for the cemeteries. Russell Mowing is asking for a fuel surcharge increasing each mowing to \$1,300.00 (last year \$1,150).*

Motion 8: Emery moved and Gooden seconded to **contract with Russell Mowing** at a cost of \$1,300.00 per mowing at the City cemeteries. A roll call vote was taken, and all present voted yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion 9: Rendleman moved and Trombino seconded to pass **Resolution No. 392-12, A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE TAMMS CORRECTIONAL CENTER**. A roll call vote was taken and all present voted yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Monty Jeralds, Police Chief, indicated he is doing research on replacement of radios and should have information at the next meeting. Also, John Frost stated that he and three (3) police officers went to Harrisburg to help with littering and the blocking of streets. The Council thanked the Police and Fire Departments for their work in representing the City.

Fire Chief Bruce Talley indicated that he needs to purchase two batteries for one of the fire trucks at a cost of \$3,400.00.

Motion 10: Rendleman moved and Trombino seconded to authorize the **purchase of two batteries for one of the fire trucks** at a cost of approximately \$3,400.00 on an emergency basis. A roll call vote was taken and all present voted yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Bruce Talley explained that, concerning the tornado in Harrisburg, the City of Carterville was well represented during this incident. We had six (6) firefighters with an ambulance, trailer, and tactical trailer for three days. There were approximately 25 individuals involved in the Technical Rescue Team. Bruce did not get a chance to talk to Harrisburg's Mayor, but he was informed about the resources that were dispatched to their community.

*Tony Trombino had informed Bruce Talley that he had constituents in his ward that had voiced concerns about the **City's storm siren**. Tony gave these names and addresses to Talley who indicated he would go to these individuals and explain our procedures.*

*Bruce Talley introduced **Bill Venable** and indicated that he influenced his life as a high school teacher, and Venable stated that Talley was in his class all four years of high school and that he was one of the top four students in his class.*

*Mayor **thanked the Fire and Police Departments** for their help and immediate response to the Harrisburg tornado. Cora Taylor, who was in Harrisburg as a representative of the Baptist Emergency Organization, indicated that Carterville personnel and equipment were very visible during the first few days of recovery.*

Motion 11: Robinson moved and Gentry seconded to approve the placement of a **96" X 96" sign** for **Tri-State RV Outlet Store** and approve the placement of a **temporary office** building on this site at 109 W. Commercial. A roll call vote was taken, and all present voted yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion 12: Gooden moved and Emery seconded to approve the **placement of an 8' X 9' sign for AJ's Beer ♦ Wine ♦ Spirits** at 1207 S. Division Street (*this sign placement was approved by phone pole on February 16, 2012*). A roll call vote was taken, and all present voted yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Jennifer Spence gave a report on the **brick order for the Veteran's Memorial**. She also presented a proposed **Carterville Heritage Festival** tentatively scheduled for Friday, June 1 and Saturday, June 2, 2012 in conjunction with the grand opening of the Heritage Museum. Spence mentioned that she would like to see Division Street closed on Friday night for a Classic Car Show and booths along West Illinois Avenue that could be rented by churches, civic organizations, scouts, etc. to sell or give away products. On Saturday, she would like to plan old time activities: wife calling, egg toss, 3 legged races, etc. Tim Bleyer also suggested that we have a Steve Stevenson flower contest. We need the Police Department involved and we would like to have a cleanup crew assigned and some extra trash cans along Division Street. Also, we need to evaluate the cost of putting up booths on West Illinois for this event. Tony Trombino commended Jennifer for the brick layout for the Veteran's Memorial. Jennifer also mentioned that she would welcome any ideas that can be used for this event.

Motion 13: Emery moved and Robinson seconded to **support the Carterville Heritage Festival** as proposed by Jennifer Spence for June 1 and June 2, 2012 in downtown Carterville. A roll call vote was taken, and all present voted yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Khrissy Hollister presented information regarding the proposed 5th Annual Block Party tentatively scheduled for Friday, May 4 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. (rain date May 11, 2012). Khrissy indicated that she has support for the Asset Builders cards, First Christian Church will cook the hot dogs, and the school will donate the hot dots. She has met with the school counselors and they are all willing to help with the event. She would like monetary support from the City in the amount of \$200.00.

Motion 14: Houseworth moved and Emery seconded to *support the 5th Annual Block Party* scheduled for May 11, 2012 and contribute \$200.00 to this event. A roll call vote was taken, and all present voted yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Khrissy Hollister explained that McDonalds is interested in sponsoring the Easter Egg Hunt at Cannon Park again this year. This event is scheduled for Saturday, March 31, 2012 at 11:00 a.m. This will involve several donations from local merchants and the City usually donates funds for large prizes.

Motion 15: Gooden moved and Emery seconded to donate \$300.00 to the *Easter Egg Hunt sponsored by McDonalds* and scheduled for Saturday, March 31, 2012 at 11:00 a.m. A roll call vote was taken, all voted yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion 16: Emery moved and Gooden seconded to allow a waiver of fees to The Women's Center, Inc. for use of the Community Building on May 6, 2012 for their Mother & Daughter Tea *[with the exception that cleaning fees must be paid]*. A roll call vote was taken, all voted yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Phyllis Emery stated that she is very proud of the Community Center and the services that Khrissy Hollister provides to the City by coordinating this facility.

Jan Campbell stated that the Chamber is gearing up for the Carterville Community Day at the Miner's on May 31, 2012. The Chamber will be soliciting ads for that day. Also, the Annual Golf Outing sponsored by the Rotary Club and the Chamber is in the works.

Motion 17: Emery moved and Gooden seconded to pass **Resolution No. R393-12, A RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO PARTICIPATION BY ELECTED OFFICIALS IN THE ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT FUND EMPLOYEE IMRF ID NUMBER 011801.** A roll call vote was taken, all voted yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion 18: Rendleman moved and Emery seconded to allow the English Department at the Carterville High School to sponsor a *two-mile run/walk* event *[proceeds for the High School Library]* on Friday, April 13, 2012 at 9:00 p.m. A roll call vote was taken, all voted yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

The Mayor announced that the Finance Advisory Committee has compiled a list of suggestions for increased revenue and reductions in expenditures and we are ready to set a date for public input. He will be asking the Council to continue this meeting to Tuesday, March 20, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. for this purpose. Curt Oetjen asked about actual financial figures and the Mayor indicated that this would be provided at the meeting for discussion.

Motion 19: Emery moved and Gooden seconded to approve the *payment of materials* for the five community gardens as requested by the **Garden Gate Garden Club** at a cost of \$691.00. A roll call vote was taken, all voted yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

*Jim Houseworth described **changes to the Subdivision Code** that he is recommending and asked that the Council review these changes and bring it back to the April meeting for discussion and approval.*

*John Crawford introduced the **2012 Oil and Chip Program** and explained that the cost would be \$56,131.00 estimated for oil and chip and \$5,125.00 for engineering. The Council agreed to table action on this program until each alderman had time to review the streets in their wards and make recommendations for the April meeting.*

John Crawford gave an update on the West By-Pass road for the school.

Motion 20: Houseworth moved and Helfrich seconded to authorize John Crawford to apply for designation as a **federal aid funded street for the West By-Pass road** for the school [*this is approximately \$40,000.00 per year that is being kept by I.D.O.T.*]. A roll call vote was taken, all voted yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Mike Helfrich asked about flooding on Greenbriar Road on the south end of the Heckel property and Crawford indicated that his firm is working with Mr. Heckel on this problem. Crawford also indicated his firm is doing additional drainage work on the Mavigliano subdivision because of questions from some of the residents in this area.

The Greenbriar Road and Route 13 intersection work that is being completed by I.D.O.T. will be bid in June 2012 and should be completed this year.

Motion 21: Robinson moved and Gooden seconded to **move to EXECUTIVE SESSION** for the purpose of discussing acquisition of property and personnel. A roll call vote was taken, all voted yea and the Council left regular session at 8:45 p.m.

Motion 22: Robinson moved and Emery seconded to **return to REGULAR SESSION**. All voted yea and the Mayor reconvened the Council at 9:45 p.m.

Motion 23: Helfrich moved and Houseworth seconded to **confirm the Mayor's appointment of Garry Wiggs as Street Superintendent** (Dave Bloodworth would be moved to Assistant Superintendent per prior agreement) effective April 1, 2012. A roll call vote was taken, all voted yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion 24: Gentry moved and Robinson seconded to approve payment of the **monthly bills** as submitted by the City Clerk. A roll call vote was taken, and all present voted yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion 25: Emery moved and Trombino seconded to approve payment **to E & K Cleaning Service** in the amount of \$1,375.00 (*12 cleanings of the Community Center \$1,225.00 and City Council Chambers \$150.00*). Roll call vote: Emery, yea; Robinson, yea; Gentry, yea; Gooden, abstain; Helfrich, yea; Houseworth, yea; Rendleman, yea; Trombino, yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion 26: Robinson moved and Emery seconded to allow a *bucket brigade for the American Legion on Friday, May 25, 2012* [even though TLC has one scheduled for Saturday, May 19, 2012]. A roll call vote was taken, and all present voted yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Motion 27: Gentry moved and Trombino seconded to authorize the Mayor to execute the necessary paperwork for *transfer of property at 137 S. Division* to the Carterville Heritage Foundation. A roll call vote was taken, and all present voted yea. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

The Mayor and Jake Rendleman announced the dedication of the Heritage Village at John A. Logan College on April 3, 2012 at 10:30 a.m.

Motion 28: Helfrich moved and Trombino seconded to *continue the meeting on Tuesday, March 20, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.* All voted yea and the Mayor dismissed the meeting at 10:15 p.m.

Michele A. Edwards, City Clerk

Next Ordinance No. 1313-12

Charles W. Mausey, Mayor

Next Resolution No. R394-12