

**PUBLIC HEARING  
APRIL 3, 2017**

There was a public hearing held Monday, April 3, 2017, at 5:00 p.m. in the Council room of the Municipal Building with the following being present: Bob Lazenby, Jane Ellen Lazenby, Johnny Harmon, Mike McGraw, Teddy Cheek, John Christian, Sue Grantham, J.J. Bullington, Emma Campbell, Chris Cummings, Tony Jones, Christina Williams, B.T. Merideth, Matthew Duckworth, Paul Shaw, Johnny Hood, Barbara Rodgers, Charlie Jones, Earl Bullington, Karen Smith, Wayne Smith, Mabeline Woods, Brittney Jordan, Anita Cain, Josh Rittenberry, Dawn Jordan, Takella Motton, and Lawrence Dorroh.

The purpose of the Public Hearing was for the discussion of the rezoning for manufactured homes for the FEMA lot owned by Earl Bullington. The Planning and Zoning Committee recommended making changes within the City's code to change requirements within a conditional use permit to make it more practical to operate a manufactured home park. There was no vote on the draft for the amended ordinance, but the 30 days have expired, and now has come before the council for a vote.

Mayor McGraw opened the floor up for discussion or comments for the proposed changes on the zoning code. Wayne Smith commented that with the land already being set up for trailers that it was no point of it just setting there being idle. John Christian was concerned about the limits of the age of the trailers. Counselor stated that they could be no more than 8 years old upon the time of the proposed placement. Councilperson Bullington ask what was the plan for placement of the trailers, would the space be rented out, or owned. Mr. Bullington stressed that he would not be involved in the business, that he was trying to get the process going so that someone could adapt a plan. He envisions that it could be both rental and ownership.

With no further comment from the council or public, Councilperson Cartee motion to close, second by Councilperson Duckworth, which resulted in the following vote:

Merideth	Yes	Harmon	Yes
Rodgers	Yes	Duckworth	Yes
Bullington	Yes	Cartee	Yes
Cheek	Yes	Hood	Yes

**CITY OF CARUTHERSVILLE**  
**April 3, 2017**

Be it remembered the Council of the City of Caruthersville met in regular session Monday, March 20, 2017, at 5:10 p.m. in the Council room of the Municipal Building at which time and place the following were present:

Mike McGraw	Mayor
Takella Motton	City Clerk
Lawrence Dorroh	City Counselor
Tony Jones	Sergeant at Arms
Merideth	Councilperson
Harmon	Councilperson
Rodgers	Councilperson
Duckworth	Councilperson
Bullington	Councilperson
Cartee	Councilperson
Cheek	Councilperson
Hood	Councilperson

The number of members necessary to consider a quorum being present, the Mayor called the meeting to order and announced the meeting was in session for the transaction of business.

The first order of business was the approval of the March 20, 2017 minutes. Councilperson Merideth motion to approve, second by Councilperson Harmon, which resulted in the following vote:

Merideth	Yes	Harmon	Yes
Rodgers	Yes	Duckworth	Yes
Bullington	Yes	Cartee	Yes
Cheek	Abstain	Hood	Yes

Councilperson Bullington motion for approval of reports and bills, second by Councilperson Duckworth, which resulted in the following vote:

Merideth	Yes	Harmon	Yes
Rodgers	Yes	Duckworth	Yes
Bullington	Yes	Cartee	Yes
Cheek	Yes	Hood	Yes

The City received a letter from Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services. As a result of being high risk due to lack of separation of duties, unrecorded bank accounts, and non-compliance with Missouri Statutes pertaining to general fund expenditures exceeding the approved budget outlined in the City's audit, there could be additional project monitoring on the Summer Food program. There

was also a letter from USDA to the Caruthersville Municipal Facility Improvement Corporation. In order to stay in compliance with the lease agreement for the Public Safety Building some repairs have to be addressed. Counselor Dorroh will be reviewing the contract for the items under warranty.

Mayor's report; Mabeline Woods with the PIN office informed the Council and audience that April is Child Abuse & Neglect Prevention Month. April 7, 2017 is GOBLUE day, they're asking for everyone to wear blue in support of strong families, safe kids, and the importance of prevention. Pinwheels are being placed on the courtyard lawn until the last day of April. Sponsorship for the pinwheels are \$10, you can put whatever slogan or name you want on the pinwheels. They offer parenting classes with referrals from Probation and Parole, court ordered cases, and to anyone interested. Mayor McGraw has issued a Proclamation, proclaiming April as Child Abuse Prevention Month, and the week of April 10-14 as Week of the Young Child, in the City of Caruthersville, Missouri.

The Cupples roof dilemma is ongoing, patching of the whole roof is debatable, may have to fix the whole section of the front part of the roof and patch the back side. There is a potential tenant that wants to pay \$1,600/mo. Frazier Roofing has given an estimate of an average cost of \$1,500/day for labor and materials for the patching of the roof, with a minimum of 10 days to a maximum of 25 days.

Spring Cleanup is April 1, 2017 through April 9, 2017. Republic has placed two 40 yard dumpsters located at the Maintenance Shed. Residents can bring their trash and get it dumped or put their trash curbside on their garbage day for pickup. Republic will be donating \$150 towards project graduation.

Councilperson Cheek spoke on behalf of the Insurance Committee about the webinar on March 28, 2017. Mike Deren hosted the webinar and talked about the statistics for the year ending as follows:

Projected Reserves	\$	69,164.50
Funding Position using Current Rates	\$	(45,808.08)
Projected Reserves	\$	23,365.42
Total Cash on Hand	\$	35,408.86
Total Projected Reserves	\$	58,765.28

If nothing changes the above mentioned will be the fund levels, which is highly unlikely that it would, and the City would have to write a check to make up for the difference. If the City goes with the suggested increase of \$87.22 per employee per month the fund levels would be as follows:

Projected Reserves	\$	69,164.50
Total Cash on Hand		35,408.86
Total Projected Reserves		104,573.36

The 90 Retail Pharmacy Program is not being utilized and Generics for maintenance drugs aren't being utilized, which is a factor in the price increase. Emergency Room visits for non-emergencies are also a factor with the increase in premiums. Teledoc which can be accessed with the GBS web portal can be a savings with free access to a doctor that can write prescriptions for non-narcotic drugs. CVS mini clinics are also free, and you can get in line online, with services being expedient. There was discussion as to how to absorb the extra cost for insurance premiums and exploring other options.

Councilperson Cartee motion to table health insurance, Councilperson Duckworth second the motion, which resulted in the following vote:

Merideth	Yes	Harmon	Yes
Rodgers	Yes	Duckworth	Yes
Bullington	Yes	Cartee	Yes
Cheek	Yes	Hood	Yes

Planning and Zoning will meet Thursday, April 6, 2017 at 4:00 p.m. to address the request for the rezoning of Carleton by Wendell Hoskins. Eric Peterson also has a request for rezoning a portion of South Ward.

Tim Hart the coach for the Roy Lee All-Stars basketball program addressed the Council about the youth program that he's involved in. They offer tutoring and mentorship for 6<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> graders by trying to instill values at such a critical age. There is no fee for participation in the program, and they're asking for support with the program. There will be a fish fry April 15, 2017, at Jamie Jones Outreach Center, promoting a fund raiser for a basketball tournament.

Police & Fire; fire calls from March 27, 2017 through April, 3, 2017 are as follows: 3/27/17; Semi-truck overturned on State Highway D, 4/1/17; vehicle fire with moderate damage on Highway U. The training for the month of March was Rapid Intervention Teams. There were 22 firefighters in attendance. There was an inspection conducted at Hassens Drunken Huntsman bar and grill.

Teresa Tidwell reported that the library has start planning for the summer reading program, entitled Build a Better World.

Paul Shaw reported that the Water department changed out meters at the Catholic Church and the High School. The bases were put in for the water fountains to be installed at French park. England park bases will be put in next week.

Business from the floor; Bo Cummings' inquired about putting in a used car lot were Gatewood car lot use to be. Counselor Dorroh stated that it was properly zoned and all he needed was a business license. Mr. Cummings also inquired of liability insurance for a dealership. Counselor Dorroh stated that the City does not regulate liability insurance, but that a prudent businessman would probably want it. Mr. Cummings commended Tony Jones for the police department's involvement in the JAG program for individuals interested in becoming a police officer.

Dawn Jordan gave an update of the Walking School Bus kick off being April 15, 2017, if the weather permits. There will be a bike club starting May 15, 2017, in which a student can check out a bike at the library. Registration forms can be filled out at the Recreation center or the library. There's a class that the parent and the student has to go through before a bike can be checked out. There's also a liability waiver through PIN that has to be signed. Registration forms are also available for the Fun in the Sun program at PIN, library and Recreation center.

Introduction of bills; there was a lot of discussion about the Complete Streets Ordinance and some confusion. The City is not obligated to put in sidewalks when there's resurfacing and rehabilitation

of streets. New construction and redevelopment is encouraged to put in sidewalks, but can be exempt for the best interest of the City. In order to get grants for such projects the Complete Streets ordinance has to be in place. Councilperson Cheek motion for the first reading by title only of **BILL NO. 2017-05 AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A COMPLETE STREETS POLICY FOR THE CITY OF CARUTHERSVILLE**, second by Councilperson Hood which resulted in the following vote:

Merideth	Yes	Harmon	No
Rodgers	Yes	Duckworth	No
Bullington	Yes	Cartee	Yes
Cheek	Yes	Hood	Yes

Councilperson Merideth motion for the second reading, second by Councilperson Cheek, which resulted in the following vote:

Merideth	Yes	Harmon	No
Rodgers	Yes	Duckworth	No
Bullington	Yes	Cartee	Yes
Cheek	Yes	Hood	Yes

The question before the Council is shall Bill No. 2017-05 to be known as Ordinance No. 2017-05 pass and become law, which resulted in the following vote on said question to wit:

Merideth	Yes	Harmon	Yes
Rodgers	Yes	Duckworth	No
Bullington	Yes	Cartee	Yes
Cheek	Yes	Hood	Yes

The next ordinance is the request made by Earl Bullington to rezone his property known as the FEMA lot for manufactured homes. Councilperson Rodgers motion for the first reading by title only, second by Councilperson Hood as follows:

**BILL NO. 2017-06**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2017-06**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SUBSECTION 8 OF SECTION 405.630 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATING TO MANUFACTURED HOME PARK REGULATIONS AND TO GRANT A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR THE OPERATON OF A MANUFACTURED HOME PARK**

Merideth	No	Harmon	No
Rodgers	Yes	Duckworth	Yes
Bullington	Yes	Cartee	No
Cheek	Yes	Hood	Yes

Councilperson Duckworth motion for the second reading of Bill No. 2017-06, second by Councilperson Merideth, which resulted in the following vote:

Merideth	No	Harmon	No
Rodgers	Yes	Duckworth	Yes
Bullington	Yes	Cartee	No
Cheek	Yes	Hood	Yes

There was discussion and concern with a plan not being in place for the development of the property. The conditional use permit doesn't guarantee the standards that members of the Council will like to be in place. Councilperson Cartee motion to table bill No. 2016-06 until more information can be disclosed, second by Councilperson Harmon, which resulted in the following vote:

Merideth	No	Harmon	Yes
Rodgers	Yes	Duckworth	No
Bullington	Yes	Cartee	Yes
Cheek	Yes	Hood	Yes

Mayor McGraw introduced a Resolution for the monitoring of prescription drugs for the public safety as follows:

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, there is an epidemic of dangerous addictions to drugs, including prescription drugs, particularly opioids, in our county and region; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council believes that a prescription drug monitoring program would be a vital tool to aid in the improvement of public health; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council understands that grant funding is currently available for the purpose of establishing a prescription drug monitoring program designed to combat the abuse of prescription medications.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City of Caruthersville, Missouri supports the passage of an ordinance by the Pemiscot County Commission to establish mandatory reporting of certain prescription drug data within Pemiscot County and to join St. Louis County in its prescription drug monitoring program.

Done this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2017 by the City of Caruthersville, Missouri

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Mike McGraw, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Takella Motton, City Clerk

Councilperson Harmon motion for passage of the resolution, second by Councilperson Duckworth, which resulted in the following vote:

Merideth	Yes	Harmon	Yes
Rodgers	Yes	Duckworth	Yes
Bullington	Yes	Cartee	Yes
Cheek	Yes	Hood	Yes

Councilperson Harmon motion to go into closed session for the purpose of real estate, second by Councilperson Duckworth, which passed unanimously.

Upon returning from closed session and with no further business to come before the Council, Councilperson Harmon motion to adjourn, second by Councilperson Cartee, with all in favor, the meeting adjourning at 6:46.

ATTEST:

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City Clerk

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Mayor