

**CITY OF CARUTHERSVILLE  
November 17, 2014**

BE IT REMEMBERED the Council of the City of Caruthersville met in regular session in the Council Room in the Municipal Building on Monday, November 17, 2014, at 5:00 p.m., at which time and place the following were present:

Sue Grantham	Mayor
Melinda Scifres	City Clerk
Lawrence Dorroh	City Counselor
Tony Jones	Sergeant at Arms
Cartee	Councilperson
Cheek	Councilperson
Fike	Councilperson
Hood	Councilperson
Merideth (B. T.)	Councilperson
Merideth (Baughn)	Councilperson
Rodgers	Councilperson
Bullington	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 minutes, bills, and reports. Upon motion duly made by Councilperson Bullington, seconded by Councilperson Baughn Merideth, the minutes, reports and bills were approved unanimously. The reports read as follows:

Charlie Jones, Fire Chief, reported fourteen fire call responses during October, with salaries totaling \$6,029.51.

Donna Brooks, City Collector, reported \$29.06 in Assessment Fund, \$31.97 in Collector's Commission, with \$2,706.24 in turnover to the Treasurer.

City Clerk Melinda Scifres reported securities are pledged at the banks for deposits of the City of Caruthersville as follows: First State Bank = \$ 2,525,000.00; Focus Bank - \$2,021,899.47; Bank Star = 583,400.00.

Keith Davis, Parks/Recreation Director, reported \$5,700.04 in admissions for the month of October.

Nyoka Rushing, Court Clerk, reported the following collections: Unclaimed property 41.51, Municipal Clerk Fee – 40.28, Judicial Education Fund, Court Automation Fund - 281.78; CVC funds – 301.89; LET County – 78.00; POSR – 40.25; fines - \$5422.31; Sheriff Retirement - \$111.00.

Paul Shaw, Water/wastewater Manager, reported collections for October as follows:

Water Customers 2332  
Sewer Customers 2233  
Garbage Customers 2193

Water	73,363.89
Sewer	18,755.56
Garbage	34,621.45
Meter Service	777.37
Mo. Spray	542.43
Primacy Fee	92.72
Sewer Primacy	29.10
Sewer Bond	10,276.93
<u>Sewer Serv.</u>	<u>541.00</u>
TOTAL	128,950.85

Councilperson Cartee reported three fire call responses for the Fire Department since November 3, 2014. A CPR class will be held for the volunteer firemen on November 24.

Police Chief Tony Jones reported The Caruthersville Ministerial Alliance will be hosting a Thanksgiving Day Dinner. Chief Jones advised the Council that over \$1,000 had not been used for the Halloween that had been allocated from the Asset Forfeiture Fund, and asked the funds be used to help with the Thanksgiving Dinner. Upon motion duly made by Councilperson Hood, seconded by Councilperson B. T. Merideth, the request was approved unanimously.

Police Chief Jones reported he had contacted MoDot to ask about installing lights at the I-155 intersection. He was told by the representative that the Highway Department did not have funding for that, but the City could install them if they had funds. The Operations Supervisor was asked to check back with the Highway Department since funds have just been released for improvements.

Councilperson Fike then reported the Water and Sewer crews have been working on leaks in various parts of the City. A water leak on East 7<sup>th</sup> caused a sewer line break, and caused the street to cave in. This has been repaired with the assistance of the street department. The crews have worked on locating a leak at the casino. and continue to attempt

to locate the problem. The crews then assisted the Housing Authority with a leak at Walker Terrace.

The Operations Supervisor then reported two quotes had been received for separating the electrical at the Cupples Building. McCall Electrical had the low bid at \$3,000 for the job. Separating the electrical will give the renter his own meter. Separating the meters will then allow Three Rivers to pay the utilities for the remainder of the building. Councilperson Cartee motioned to accept the low bid from McCall's Electrical, with Councilperson Baughn Merideth seconding, and motion carried.


Councilperson Cartee then motioned to amend the budget from Sales Tax to pay for the electrical work at the Cupples Building. Councilperson Baughn Merideth seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously,

The Operations Supervisor then reported two trees had been cut down at England Park; one was dead, and the other was partially dead. Delta Tree Service cut the trees down at no charge, and the City crew hauled them to the vegetation pile. Mayor Grantham thanked Delta Tree Service for their generous offer.

With no further business to come before the Council, Councilperson Baughn Merideth motioned the meeting adjourn at 5:29, with Councilperson Hood seconding, and motion carried.

ATTEST:

  
Mayor

  
City Clerk