

CARAWAY CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday

October 11, 2018

CITY COUNCIL MEETING ROOM

Meeting opened: 6:00 p.m.

Meeting closed:

ROLL CALL:

MEMBERS:	PRESENT	ABSENT
MAYOR: BARRY RILEY	X	
RECORDER: RICK STEVENS		X
ALDERMAN: JOHN BOATMAN	X	
ALDERMAN: MITCHELL TIPTON	X	
ALDERMAN: BO JAMES	X	
ALDERMAN: ROGER WILLIAMS	X	
ALDERMAN: MARVIN BROWNING	X	
ALDERMAN: JERRY MARTIN	X	

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Barry Riley.

The roll was called with the mayor and all alderman present, Recorder Rick Stevens was absent.

Minutes of the September 13th meeting were presented.

Roger Williams made a motion to approve the minutes, second by Marvin Browning Motion carries on vote of 6-0.

September Financial Statements for Water & Sewer, Street and General Fund were presented.

John Boatman made a motion to approve the financial statements, second by Bo James.

Motion carries on vote of 6-0.

Mayor Riley presented bids for the new city well work from Miller-Newell and John Selig.

Miller-Newell's bid was for \$966,004. John Selig's bid is for \$914,740.00

Mayor Riley said he had been working with the Stevens Public finance company about doing a bond issue for the city of Caraway.

Cost for the project would be:

Construction cost \$ 915,000.00

Est. Principal \$ 1,000,000.00

Repayment amount \$ 990,335.00

Yearly payment \$ 57,465.21

This option would call for a city one cent sales tax to be approved.

The other option would be to get a grant/loan process with rate increased for water and sewer to be mandated.

After discussion the mayor and council agreed to have a town meeting to inform city residents of the situation.

A sales tax option would have to be approved by a vote of the town's people.

Mayor Riley informed the council there is no way to get the vote on the November ballot. A special election could be held with a cost of about \$2,500.00.

Buffalo Island water is aware this process could take a year to a year and a half. The city will continue to purchase water from them at this at this time.

Marvin Browning made a motion to rent a 120 foot lift tower for a week at a cost of \$3,300.00 to work on repair of the water tower and other uses as needed around the city.

second by Roger Williams.

Vote: John Boatman- Yes

Vote: Mitchell Tipton- Yes

Vote: Jerry Martin- Yes

Vote: Bo James- Yes

Vote: Marvin Browning- Yes

Vote: Roger Williams- Yes

Motion carries on vote of 6-0.

Mayor Riley informed the council that he has asked Adam Carpenter to present his plans for building some houses on his lots close to the city pond to the council.

The council discussed that Helena Chemical would like to have a contract for a lease to insure they can use the building through at least May or June.

Mayor Riley gave the floor to Rhonda New who ask the council to review and change the action the city has followed after contacting the city attorney for advise. The incident concerned the actions of two city police officers, Wyatt Wheaton and David Choate. This action was about the testing of some youth with a Breathalyzer.

Marvin Browning made a motion for the council to go into executive session to considerer the actions of the two police officers involved. Second by Roger Williams.

Vote:John Boatman- Yes

Vote:Mitchell Tipton-Yes

Vote:Jerry Martin- Yes

Vote:Bo James-Yes

Vote:Marvin Browning- Yes

Vote: Roger Williams- Yes

Motion carries on vote of 6-0.

Roger Williams made a motion for the council to go into regular session.

Second by Marvin Browning.

Vote:John Boatman- Yes

Vote:Mitchell Tipton-Yes

Vote:Jerry Martin- Yes

Vote:Bo James-Yes

Vote:Marvin Browning- Yes

Vote: Roger Williams- Yes

Motion carries on vote of 6-0.

Mayor Riley stated that the council would stand with what the city attorney has advised and that being that termination of the officers was not warranted.

Roger Williams announced the Caraway Harvest-Fest would be Saturday, October 27th. Trunk or Treat will be held at the park that evening about 6:00 p.m.

Park Commissioner Jeremy Garland informed the council about some lights at the ball field that needed repair because of their going off after burning for a while. Craighead Electric replaced the bulbs. Options for repair were discussed.

Councilman Bo James informed the council that the salvage grocery store across from city hall would open sometime in November.

Mitchell Tipton made a motion to adjourn meeting, seconded by Jerry Martin.  
Motion carries on vote of 6-0.

APPROVED:

MAYOR

Bary Riley

ATTEST:

RECORDER

Paul Stus