

CARAWAY CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday

October 10, 2019

CITY COUNCIL MEETING ROOM

Meeting opened: 6:00 p.m.

Meeting closed: 6:55 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

MEMBERS:	PRESENT	ABSENT
MAYOR: BO JAMES	X	
RECORDER: RICK STEVENS	X	
ALDERMAN: DIANA POWELL	X	
ALDERMAN: MITCHELL TIPTON	X	
ALDERMAN: JORDAN ADCOCK	X	
ALDERMAN: ROGER WILLIAMS		X
ALDERMAN: MARVIN BROWNING	X	
ALDERMAN: JERRY MARTIN	X	

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Bo James.

The group said the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Prayer was led by Rick Stevens.

The roll was called with the mayor, recorder and all alderman present except Roger Williams.

Minutes of the September 12th meeting were presented.

Marvin Browning made a motion to approve the minutes, second by Jerry Martin.

Motion carries on vote of 5-0.

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

Marvin Browning made a motion to approve the financial statements,

second by Jerry Martin

Motion carries on vote of 5-0.

Jerry Martin made a motion to purchase a new commercial window to be used on the east side of the city hall building for transacting city business. Approximate cost for the window will be \$1,500.00. City employees will put the window in. Second by Marvin Browning.

Vote: Diana Powell - Yes

Vote: Mitchell Tipton- Yes

Vote: Jerry Martin- Yes

Vote: Jordan Adcock- Yes

Vote: Marvin Browning- Yes

Vote: Roger Williams -

Motion carries on vote of 5-0.

Jerry Martin made a motion to sell Bill Shirley a 50ft. by 130ft. Lot adjoining his property on the south side. The cost will be \$1,000.00 and Bill will pay for the survey of property also. Second by Diana Powell.

Vote: Diana Powell - Yes

Vote: Mitchell Tipton- Yes

Vote: Jerry Martin- Yes

Vote: Jordan Adcock- Yes

Vote: Marvin Browning- Yes

Vote: Roger Williams -

Motion carries on vote of 5-0.

Jerry Martin made a motion to accept a letter from the Arkansas Natural Resources Commission stating that the city must send them a written response by November 13, 2019 to accept or decline their recommendation or the application for the grant requested will be withdrawn and considered closed. Second by Jordan Adcock.

Vote: Diana Powell - Yes

Vote: Mitchell Tipton- Yes

Vote: Jerry Martin- Yes

Vote: Jordan Adcock- Yes

Vote: Marvin Browning- Yes

Vote: Roger Williams -

Motion carries on vote of 5-0.

Diana Powell made a motion for the city to take over the Caraway Park Commission's checkbook and will now be responsible for paying the Commission's financial obligations and needs. Second by Marvin Browning.

Vote: Diana Powell - Yes

Vote: Mitchell Tipton- Yes

Vote: Jerry Martin- Yes

Vote: Jordan Adcock- Yes

Vote: Marvin Browning- Yes

Vote: Roger Williams -

Motion carries on vote of 5-0.

Marvin Browning made a motion for the council to go into executive session to discuss personnel discipline of a city employee. Second by Mitchell Tipton.

Vote: Diana Powell - Yes

Vote: Mitchell Tipton- Yes

Vote: Jerry Martin- Yes

Vote: Jordan Adcock- Yes

Vote: Marvin Browning- Yes

Vote: Roger Williams -

Motion carries on vote of 5-0.

Marvin Browning made a motion for the council to return to regular session, second by Mitchell Tipton.

Vote: Diana Powell - Yes

Vote: Mitchell Tipton- Yes

Vote: Jerry Martin- Yes

Vote: Jordan Adcock- Yes

Vote: Marvin Browning- Yes

Vote: Roger Williams -

Motion carries on vote of 5-0.

After returning to regular session, the council decided no action needed to be taken on the matter.

Others items discussed included:

Mayor James gave a report on the status of the grant request from Delta Regional Authority. The city was notified the city would not be getting the grant. Mayor James read a letter from the Arkansas Natural Resources Fiscal Manager Debra Dickson stating their recommendation for the city to approve a loan of \$327,000.00

The loan would come from the Arkansas Drinking Water Sale Revolving Loan Fund. The loan would come with a 1.75 percent interest rate on a 20 year loan term. There would also be the added condition of monthly water rates would have to be adjusted. Mayor James informed the council they needed a written response by November 13, 2019 for the loan process to remain open.

Mayor James handed out a copy of the proposed budgets for 2020 for the General, Street and Water Departments. Voting on the budgets will be during next month's city council meeting.

Merett Emery ask if it would be agreeable for the Caraway Rodeo Arena to be renamed the Roger Bell Memorial Arena. The council saw no problem with it. The announcement will be made Saturday, October 12 during a barrel event to held that day.

Caraway Park Commissioner Jeremy Garland announced that the Caraway Fall Fest will be held on Saturday, October 26 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Mitchell Tipton made a motion to adjourn meeting, seconded by Marvin Browning
Motion carries on vote of 5-0.

APPROVED:

MAYOR *Bo James*

ATTEST:

RECORDER *P. Williams*