CITY OF CARBONDALE, KANSAS

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OFFICE OF THE

CITY COUNCIL



**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

Date: July 21st, 2025

Time: 7:00pm

Location: City Council Room, City Hall

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Mayor Anthony DaPrato.

**Reading of Minutes**

Motion by Ball to approve meeting minutes from July 7th, 2025, with the correction of Lister being absent, 2nd by Moeller, motion carried.

Motion by Ball to approve meeting minutes from July 11th, 2025, with the correction of inches instead of feet, 2nd by Moeller, motion carried.

**Recreation Commission**

Brad Smith was present for rec. He discussed how the season has gone.

Stephanie Ganger is the pool manager.

There was discussion on the number of members that they have and what legally they can have. They must have no more than five members as having six members will lead to problems.

The assistant city clerk/treasurer should be the rec treasurer. The treasurer will not hold a seat on the board. Discussion on having the old rec treasurer come in and train the assistant city clerk for next season.

It was agreed that rec would attend the first meeting in April and the last meeting in August in future years. Smith would like to see a memorandum of understanding.

Discussion on City Treasurers/Assistant City Clerks pay with taking on a ne w online Quickbooks and 20+ employees. It was discussed how the online version of Quickbooks is not user-friendly and would need to be switched to desktop.

**City Park = CDBG**

Jarrod Mann was present and informed the council that the CDBG grant application had been submitted. Motion by Ball to approve contract with BG Consultants for park project, 2nd by Moore, motion carried.

Discussion on having Assistant City Clerk/Treasurer adding a new accounting code/line item into QuickBooks that specifically designates to the park project.

**Lions Club – Fall Festival**

Consensus to allow street closures from 11am to 11pm on Main Street from east of the library down to 2nd, alley to the library to Downhome Auto on 3rd and 4th and Main east of 2nd.

They will have the Steve Kyle band again this year.

Consensus to have the City’s generator on standby for the event if needed.

There will be no beer garden this year.

**Park**

The quote of lighting for the walking path has expired.

**Strobridge Reservoir/East Lake**

Motion by K. Seals approving the agreement with BG Consultants for Strobridge Reservoir for $9,000, 2nd by Lister, motion carried.

**Library**

The library had a pool party for kids who participated in the reading program. Kids who completed their reading logs got a $20 gift. They also had a foam party and snow cones.

Touch a Truck event went well.

The library discussed they are having parking issues. During their last event there was an issue with people parking in the grass and a police officer not being able to get out of her parking spot safely. Officers need to park close to the building so that they can respond quickly.

Cram the cruiser and fill the backpack for free day is August 8th, 2025 from 5:00pm to 7:00pm and again on the 9th from 10:00am to 1:00pm. They do not need any crayons.

**Maintenance**

The water main break under 75 highway cost $21,973.50. The six-inch line was replaced by an eight-inch line. The council would like to get a bid from RDR to see what it would cost to replace the rest of the old lines on the west side of the highway, which is about 1,000 feet and the east side of the highway is closer to 1,700 feet needing replaced. It is possible for the Maintenance department to complete this large project.

Consensus to arrange a lunch for helping crews if time allows for everybody.

**Police**

An activity report was presented by the police department.

Frontline has a yearly fee for accreditation. Chief Seals reported the process was coming along. There were benchmarks and timelines given and after a few years they realized they were going to have to give police departments more time. The policies are still being written. All policies must be tracked including revisions. When policies are updated the revisions are sent out to all officers.

Motion by K. Seals to allow the police department to spend $1,102.50 on Frontline/Vector software for the accreditation process, 2nd by Moeller, motion carried.

Officer Coyle is doing great at academy and hitting the 93% benchmark.

The City will post an ad in the newspaper for officers and omit the salary portion for future discussion.

Motion by K. Seals to amend meeting minutes to include police truck details, 2nd by Ball, motion carried.

**Resolution**

Motion by Seals to adopt Resolution and Proclamation # 2025-4, proclamation of a State of Local Disaster Emergency for the City of Carbondale Kansas, 2nd by Lister, motion carried.

**Osage County Herald**

Motion by Lister to run the Cram the Cruiser ad in the Osage County Herald for the rate of $173, 2nd by Ball, motion carried.

**Zoning**

Motion by Lister to approve Cox Communications underground utility permit for the fee amount of $39,950, the first installment will be paid before the start of project, 2nd by K. Seals, motion carried.

Motion by K. Seals to approve fence permit for Rondald Moeller, 2nd by Ball, Moeller abstained, motion carried.

Discussion on Drippe Homes turning on their own water meters. The council was in consensus that it was theft of services, and they will need to open accounts with the city office. In the future all meters in the development need to be locked and turned on by the City’s Maintenance department.

Flemming will work with the attorney on requirements for inspections.

The city only pays for infrastructure up to a new development.

Current inspectors for the new development are not providing the details needed. Drippe Homes has been notified that details are needed on all inspections.

Flemming’s training is going to cost $1,500 and the City is willing to go half with him. Motion by Seals to cost share an additional $250 with Flemming to cover training, 2nd by Ball, motion carried.

**Live Streaming**

Discussion on live streaming meetings. The council was in consensus they were not ready to livestream.

**Executive Session**

Motion by K. Seals at 9:06pm to go into an executive session for nonelected personnel for five minutes resuming in the council room at 9:11pm with the council, mayor and city clerk, 2nd by Moeller, motion carried.

The council was in an executive session for five minutes with no decisions made.

Motion by K. Seals at 9:12pm to go into an executive session for nonelected personnel for ten minutes, resuming in the council room at 9:22pm with the council, mayor and city clerk, 2nd by Ball, motion carried.

The council was in executive session for ten minutes with no decisions made.

**Personnel**

Motion by K. Seals to terminate the employment of Joshua Shreve from the City of Carbondale, effective July 22, 2025, 2nd by Moore, motion carried.

**Budget**

Budget hearing is scheduled for August 11th, 2025 at 6:00pm

**Off Agenda Items and Follow-Up**

Discussion on pay scales and how they needed to be increased.

The City Clerk was able to get ahold of Adams Homestore about the dock. Taylor Adams is supposed to come out to look at the dock to see how we can get it level and repaired from the ice.

K. Seals will look into changing email services. Emails can be transferred, and email addresses kept the same.

Moeller brought up that the old Casey’s was for sale and that it would be a good fit for the police department. The location would be prime with the school being on the same street. Moore liked the idea of moving police to a different building because they are struggling in the current building.

**Extension Request**

Motion by Lister to approve all extension requests, 2nd by Ball, motion carried.

**Bills**

Motion by K. Seals that they looked at the bills, 2nd by Ball, motion carried.

**Adjourn**

Motion to adjourn by Ball, 2nd by Lister, motion carried at 9:45pm.