

**CITY OF CARROLLTON
COUNCIL MEETING
CITY HALL**

**SEPTEMBER 13, 2021
7:00 P.M.**

PRESENT:

MAYOR: ROBB ADAMS

**COUNCIL: KEVIN CRAIG
HAYLEY FRANKLIN
MIKE GORDON
DWIGHT LOUDEN**

ATTORNEY FOR CITY: JAKE THOMPSON

CITY CLERK-TREASURER: MELINDA WRIGHT-MOORE

POLICE CHIEF: MIKE WILLHOITE

FIRE CHIEF: MIKE TERRELL

PUBLIC WORKS SUPV: RON KNIGHT

CARROLLTON UTILITIES: TERRY ROACH

CODE ENFORCEMENT: ROBERT HOFMANN

CCCDC DIRECTOR: SHELBY MILES

MAIN ST. DIRECTOR: SAM BURGESS

TOURISM: MISTY WHEELER

PRESS: OLIVIA GENNARO/ THE NEWS DEMOCRAT

**ABSENT: COUNCILMAN JEFF DICKOW
COUNCILMAN DOUG HILL**

CALL TO ORDER:

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT THE HOUR OF 7:01 P.M. BY MAYOR ADAMS. COUNCILMAN LOUDEN OFFERED THE INVOCATION. MAYOR ADAMS LED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

RECOGNITION OF GUESTS:

FRANK BARTLEY
ALICE RICHTER
DEIDRA HAYS, THE LEMON DROP BOUTIQUE
PAT BAKER, CARROLLTON HOUSING AUTHORITY

FRANK BARTLEY

MR. BARTLEY SAID HE HAD SOME QUESTIONS. MR. BARTLEY ASKED WHEN YOU CAN EXERCISE YOUR FREEDOM OF SPEECH DURING THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING. MAYOR ADAMS SAID YOU MAY CALL CITY HALL TO GET ON THE AGENDA WHENEVER YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS THE CITY COUNCIL. AT THE BEGINNING OF THE MEETING GUEST ARE GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK AND ONCE THE GUEST IS DONE ADDRESSING THE COUNCIL THEY ARE NOT ALLOWED TO SPEAK DURING THE REST OF THE COUNCIL MEETING UNLESS CALLED UPON. MR. BARTLEY ASKED IF AN ISSUE IS DISCUSSED I CAN'T HOLD MY HAND UP OR CHIME IN ON THE DISCUSSION. MAYOR ADAMS SAID NO. MR. BARTLEY SAID THAT IS STRANGE. MAYOR ADAMS SAID THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING IS FOR CITY COUNCIL AND THE MAYOR TO DISCUSS CITY BUSINESS. IF SOMEONE HAS KNOWLEDGE OF A PARTICULAR TOPIC THEY WILL BE RECOGNIZED AND ASKED TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL. THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING IS

NOT AN OPEN MEETING. MR. BARTLEY SAID SO I HAVE NO FREEDOM OF SPEECH. MAYOR ADAMS SAID YOU DO AT THE BEGINNING OF THE MEETING WHEN GUESTS ARE RECOGNIZED. COUNCILMAN LOUDEN SAID YOU MAY TALK WITH A COUNCIL MEMBER DURING THE WEEK ABOUT ANY ISSUES. MR. BARTLEY SAID BEFORE THE MEETING I DON'T KNOW WHAT IS GOING TO BE DISCUSSED AT THE COUNCIL MEETING. MAYOR ADAMS SAID THE AGENDA FOR THE COUNCIL MEETINGS ARE POSTED OUT FRONT AND ON THE CITY'S WEBSITE.

MR. BARTLEY ASKED WHY THE CITY DISCONTINUE LIVE STREAMING THE COUNCIL MEETINGS. MAYOR ADAMS SAID THE CITY NEVER LIVE STREAMED THE COUNCIL MEETINGS AND THE COUNCIL MEETINGS WERE NEVER CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC. THE NEWS DEMOCRAT IS WHO LIVE STREAMED THE COUNCIL MEETINGS. MR. BARTLEY SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE MEETINGS LIVE STREAMED AGAIN HE NEEDS TO TALK TO THE NEWS DEMOCRAT. MAYOR ADAMS SAID YES.

MR. BARTLEY SAID THE REST OF HIS QUESTIONS REQUIRE A YES OR NO ANSWER AND ARE DIRECTED TOWARDS MAYOR ADAMS.

MR. BARTLEY: HAS THE JCTC PROPERTY CLOSED?

MAYOR ADAMS: YES

MR. BARTLEY: DID THE JCTC PROPOSAL FURNISHED TO THE COUNCIL MEMBERS BEFORE THE MEETING INITIALLY CONTAIN FOUR PEOPLE, YOUR STEP-SON, HIS WIFE WHO IS THE DAUGHTER OF THE MARSHALLS, AND THE MARSHALLS?

MAYOR ADAMS: YES

MR. BARTLEY: DID THE JCTC PROPOSAL GET CHANGED BEFORE THE MEETING BEGAN TO ONLY SHOW THE MARSHALLS AS THE BUYERS?

MAYOR ADAMS: YES.

MR. BARTLEY: WERE THERE ANY OFFERS PRESENTED TO COUNCIL BETWEEN THE PROPOSAL WHICH INVOLVED MR. TIM BACHMAN AND HIS INVESTOR AND THE SALE OF THE PROPERTY?

MAYOR ADAMS: NO.

MR. BARTLEY: WAS THE PROPOSAL FOR THE JCTC BUILDING FROM JIM RILEY AND HIS PARTNER THE CHIROPRACTOR FOR \$200 PLUS THOUSAND PRESENTED TO THE CITY COUNCIL?

MAYOR ADAMS: NO.

MR. BARTLEY: WAS THE PROPOSAL FOR THE JCTC BUILDING FROM ROBERT L DEAN II AND HIS PARTNER WHOM OWN AN ANTIQUE MALL IN MADISON PRESENTED TO THE CITY COUNCIL?

MAYOR ADAMS: NO.

MR. BARTLEY: WAS THE PROPOSAL FOR THE JCTC BUILDING FROM JAMA WILSON SNYDER, A LICENSED REAL ESTATE AGENT, WHO REPRESENTED A BUYER FROM LOUISVILLE PRESENTED TO THE CITY COUNCIL?

MAYOR ADAMS: NO, I DON'T REMEMBER THIS PROPOSAL.

MR. BARTLEY: DID MR. PAL, OWNER OF THE PRESTONVILLE SHELL, CALL TWICE ASKING TO TALK ABOUT THE JCTC BUILDING?

MAYOR ADAMS: NOT SURE.

MR. BARTLEY: DO YOU CONSIDER THE CITY COUNCIL AS PART OF THE SELLER?

MAYOR ADAMS: ABSOLUTELY THE CITY IS THE SELLER.

MR. BARTLEY: DO YOU THINK THE CITY COUNCIL SHOULD HAVE BEEN A PART OF THE DECISION MAKER FOR ALL OFFERS?

MAYOR ADAMS: NO

MAYOR ADAMS WOULD LIKE TO CLEAR UP SOME CONVERSATIONS IN THE COMMUNITY ABOUT THE SELL OF THE JCTC BUILDING. NOT EVERYONE SHARES THE SAME OPINION BUT MAY HAVE SOME OPINION ABOUT THE SELL OF THE BUILDING RELATED TO MR. BARTLEY'S QUESTIONS. MAYOR ADAMS EXPLAINED THE TIMELINE OF THE JCTC BUILDING: IN 2014 THE CITY PURCHASED THE BUILDING FOR \$350,000 FOR A FEW REASONS. THE \$350,000 WAS GIVEN TO THE 4 MILLION DOLLAR FUND THAT THE LOCAL FOUNDATION NEEDED TO RAISE TO BUILD THE NEW CAMPUS PRIOR TO THE STATE RELEASING THEIR 12 MILLION DOLLARS. THAT WAS A WAY FOR THE CITY TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE 4 MILLION DOLLAR FUND. FOR SOME TIME THE CITY HAD TRIED TO BUY THE LOWER PARKING OWED BY THE LOCAL JCTC FOUNDATION. AFTER THE CITY BUILT THE RIVERWALK FROM 5TH STREET TO POINT PARK THE CITY NEVER COMPLETED THAT SECTION BECAUSE THE LOCAL JCTC FOUNDATION WOULD NOT SELL THE PARKING LOT. THE CITY OFFERED \$50,000 FOR THE PARKING LOT. JCTC SAID DUE TO HIGH ENROLLMENT THEY NEEDED THE PARKING SPACES. MAYOR ADAMS TRIED TO TELL JCTC THE PARKING LOTS WOULD REMAIN PUBLIC PARKING THAT THE CITY ONLY WANTED TO CONNECT THE RIVERWALK. WHEN THE CITY SOLD THE JCTC BUILDING LAST WEEK THE CITY KEPT THE LOWER PARKING LOT AND WILL REMAIN PUBLIC PARKING. MAYOR ADAMS SAID THE CITY BOUGHT THE PROPERTY TO ENSURE WHAT HAPPENED TO THE BUILDING. THE CITY WANTED TO MAKE SURE THE BUILDING WAS NOT TURNED INTO RESIDENTIAL APARTMENTS. FOLLOWING THE PURCHASE OF THE BUILDING THE CITY WAS ABLE TO COMPLETE THE RIVERWALK AND OWN THE LOWER PARKING LOT. AFTER BUYING THE BUILDING JCTC RENTED THE SPACE FOR 2 YEARS FOR \$75,000 PER YEAR ALLOWING THE CITY TO EARN BACK \$150,000 OF THE \$350,000.

THE CITY WENT TO BID TWICE ONCE IN 2018 AND 2020 ON THE JCTC BUILDING. IN 2018 THE BID SUBMITTED BY TIM BACHMAN AND HIS INVESTOR FOR A MICROBREWERY WAS ACCEPTED. A \$5,000 DOWN PAYMENT WAS MADE AND RIGHT BEFORE THE CLOSING THEY BACKED OUT AND THE CITY KEPT THE \$5,000. IN 2020 AN INVESTOR FROM SHELBYVILLE SUBMITTED A BID FOR A MICROBREWERY/RESTAURANT DOWN STAIRS AND AIRBNB APARTMENTS UP STAIRS. THE BID WAS FOR \$40,001 AND THE INVESTOR WANTED THE CITY TO FORGIVE THE \$40,000 OVER A 4 YEAR PERIOD BUYING THE PROPERTY FOR A \$1. COUNCIL REFUSED THE OFFER.

MAYOR ADAMS SAID HE SHOWED THE BUILDING TO A COUPLE FROM THE ANTIQUE MALL. THEY WANTED THE BUILDING FOR FREE AND NEVER GAVE A WRITTEN OFFER.

MAYOR ADAMS SAID JIM RILEY AND DR. HINES DID OFFER THE CITY \$200 PLUS THOUSAND FOR THE JCTC BUILDING. THEY WANTED TO PUT OFFICES DOWN STAIRS AND RESIDENTIAL APARTMENTS UP STAIRS AND FOR THE CITY TO FINANCE THE OFFER OVER A 4 YEAR PERIOD. MAYOR ADAMS TOLD THEM THE CITY COUNCIL WOULD NOT ENTERTAIN RESIDENTIAL APARTMENTS AND THE CITY IS NOT A FINANCIAL INSTITUTE.

THE CITY'S OBLIGATIONS WHEN THE BUILDING SOLD HAD BEEN FULFILLED A LONG TIME AGO BY GOING TO BID TWICE.

MAYOR ADAMS SAID HE RECEIVED A PHONE CALL SEVERAL MONTHS AGO FROM MISTY WHEELER, TOURISM DIRECTOR, ASKING HOW SOMEONE COULD SUBMIT AN OFFER ON THE JCTC BUILDING. MAYOR ADAMS TOLD MRS. WHEELER TO HAVE THE PERSON SUBMIT A WRITTEN OFFER. MAYOR ADAMS SAID IT WAS THE GOD HONEST TRUTH HE DID NOT KNOW IT WAS JACOB JONES, HIS STEP-SON, AND JAMIE JONES WANTING TO MAKE THE OFFER. MRS. WHEELER SHOWED THE BUILDING A FEW TIMES

ON THE CITY'S BEHALF. ONE DAY MR. AND MRS. JONES WALKED INTO MY OFFICE WITH A BOX OF BINDERS WITH A PROPOSAL FOR THE JCTC BUILDING. AFTER TALKING WITH JAKE THOMPSON, ATTORNEY FOR THE CITY, IT WAS IN THE CITY'S BEST INTEREST NOT THE SELL THE PROPERTY TO MR. AND MRS. JONES BUT SOLELY TO THE MARSHALLS. MAYOR ADAMS SAID THERE IS A RUMOR GOING AROUND TOWN THAT HE IS GETTING A KICK BACK ON THE SELL OF THE JCTC BUILDING. THESE RUMORS ARE SAD AND ASINAN. MAYOR ADAMS STATED THIS IS NOT TRUE. AS MAYOR I MAKE \$29,000 PER YEAR AND PUT MY HEART AND SOUL IN THIS COMMUNITY AND IF YOU THINK I'M GETTING A KICKBACK ON A \$100,000 DEAL THE JOKE IS ON YOU. THE CITY HAS WORKED HARD THE LAST 7 YEARS TRYING TO SELL THE JCTC BUILDING AND GETTING FOOT TRAFFIC BACK DOWNTOWN.

ALICE RICHTER

MS. RICHTER SAID THERE HAVE BEEN SEVERAL DEATHS DUE TO COVID-19. THE CITY SHOULD NOT MANDATE THE CITY EMPLOYEES TO HAVE THE COVID-19 VACCINE. THE CITY WOULD BE TAKING ON ANY ISSUES THAT COME FROM THE VACCINE. MS. RICHTER GAVE THE CITY ATTORNEY, JAKE THOMPSON, SOME DOCUMENTATION TO REVIEW AND GIVE TO THE CITY EMPLOYEES.

MAYOR ADAMS SAID ABOUT THREE WEEKS AGO THERE WAS A SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING TO HAVE THE FIRST READING OF THE PROPERTY TAX ORDINANCE AND TO DISCUSS COVID -19 LEAVE. LAST YEAR THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT MANDATED EMPLOYERS TO GIVE THEIR EMPLOYEES UP TO 80 HOURS OF PAID TIME OFF FOR COVID -19 LEAVE. THIS FEDERAL MANDATE HAS EXPIRED. MAYOR ADAMS WAS ASKING COUNCIL TO CONSIDER GIVING THE CITY EMPLOYEES UP TO 10 DAYS OFF WITH PAY FOR COVID -19 RELATED REASONS. AFTER THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING THERE WAS A POST ON FACEBOOK TALKING ABOUT TAKING WAY HEALTH INSURANCE FROM UNVACCINATED EMPLOYEES. MAYOR ADAMS STATED THE CITY IS NOT TAKING AWAY THE CITY PAID HEALTH INSURANCE AND AT THE LAST MEETING COUNCIL DECIDED NOT TO GIVE CITY EMPLOYEES PAID TIME OFF FOR COVID -19 LEAVE.

DEIDRA HAYS, THE LEMON DROP BOUTIQUE

MRS. HAYS SAID SHE IS THE BUSINESS OWNER OF THE LEMON DROP BOUTIQUE. DURING BUSINESS HOURS DOWNTOWN THERE IS NOWHERE FOR CUSTOMERS TO PARK DUE TO RESIDENTIAL PARKING. MRS. HAYS ASKED IF THERE COULD BE BUSINESS PARKING HOURS DOWNTOWN FROM 9 A.M. UNTIL 5 P.M.

MAYOR ADAMS SAID HE BELIEVES THERE IS ENOUGH PARKING DOWNTOWN BUT COUNCIL COULD CONSIDER CHANGING THE PARKING ORDINANCE.

PAT BAKER, CARROLLTON HOUSING AUTHORITY

MS. BAKER SAID SHE MAKES PUBLIC HOUSING SAFE AND AFFORDABLE. THE PROPERTIES ALONG MAIN STREET AND 8TH STREET ARE AWFUL. MS. BAKER WANTED TO KNOW WHY THE LANDLORDS ARE NOT BEING HELD TO HIGHER STANDARDS. EVERYONE NEEDS TO BE TREATED FAIRLY AND NEEDS TO WORK TOGETHER.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: REGULAR MEETING: 08/23/2021

THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN GORDON AND SECONDED BY COUNCILWOMAN FRANKLIN AND DULY CARRIED TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES AS PRESENTED FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF 08/23/2021.

AYES 4 NAYS 0

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: SPECIAL MEETING: 08/20/2021

THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN GORDON AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN CRAIG AND DULY CARRIED TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES AS PRESENTED FOR THE SPECIAL MEETING OF 08/20/2021.

AYES 4 NAYS 0

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENT

THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILWOMAN FRANKLIN AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN LOUDEN AND DULY CARRIED TO APPROVE THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

AYES 4 NAYS 0

APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAID/PAYABLE 08/25/2021 - 09/14/2021

THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN GORDON AND SECONDED BY COUNCILWOMAN FRANKLIN AND DULY CARRIED TO APPROVE THE ACCOUNTS PAID/PAYABLE 08/25/2021 THROUGH 09/14/2021.

AYES 4 NAYS 0

RESOLUTION #2021-12: RECOGNIZING SEPTEMBER 2021 AS CITY GOVERNMENT MONTH

ATTORNEY FOR THE CITY, JAKE THOMPSON, READ THE RESOLUTION.

THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN LOUDEN AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN GORDON AND DULY CARRIED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION #2021-12: RECOGNIZING SEPTEMBER 2021 AS CITY GOVERNMENT MONTH.

AYES 4 NAYS 0

RESOLUTION #2021-13: AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH ABBIE JONES CONSULTING

MAYOR ADAMS SAID THE TAP GRANT REQUIRES THE CITY TO GET A COST ESTIMATE FROM AN ENGINEER TO APPLY FOR THE GRANT.

ATTORNEY FOR THE CITY, JAKE THOMPSON, READ THE RESOLUTION.

THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN LOUDEN AND SECONDED BY COUNCILWOMAN FRANKLIN AND DULY CARRIED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION #2021-13: AUTHORIZING MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH ABBIE JONES CONSULTING.

AYES 4 NAYS 0

AWARD SALT BIN BID

JAKE THOMPSON, ATTORNEY FOR THE CITY, SAID THE CITY RECEIVED TWO VALID BIDS ON THE SALT BIN PROJECT FROM KEMPER CONSTRUCTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$68,825 AND LINDSAY CONSTRUCTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$72,423. THERE WAS SOME DISCUSSION. AWARDED THE SALT BIN BID HAS BEEN POSTPONED UNTIL THE NEXT COUNCIL MEETING.

AWARD BID OF THE POINT PARK PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT

JAKE THOMPSON, ATTORNEY FOR THE CITY, SAID THE CITY RECEIVED ONE VALID BID FOR THE PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT AT POINT PARK FROM DWA RECREATION, INC IN THE AMOUNT OF \$54,843.97. MAYOR ADAMS RECOMMENDED THAT COUNCIL SHOULD ACCEPT THE BID FROM DWA RECREATION, INC IN THE AMOUNT OF \$54,843.97.

THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN CRAIG AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN GORDON AND DULY CARRIED TO ACCEPT THE BID OF \$54,843.97 FOR THE PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT AT POINT PARK FROM DWA RECREATION, INC.

AYES 4 NAYS 0

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

ARBORETUM IN MEMORY OF NANCY JO GROBMYER

MAYOR ADAMS SAID THE TOTAL BUDGET FOR THE ARBORETUM IN MEMORY OF NANCY JO GROBMYER IS \$10,000 WITH THE CITY AND THE CARROLL COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE BOTH CONTRIBUTING \$5,000 A PIECE. MAYOR ADAMS HAS REACHED OUT FOR QUOTES FROM THE TWO LANDSCAPING COMPANIES RECOMMENDED BY THE CARROLL COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE. THE FIRST COMPANY WOULD NOT EVEN GIVE A QUOTE AND THE SECOND QUOTE WAS FOR \$40,000. MAYOR ADAMS DECIDED SINCE THE QUOTE CAME IN WELL OVER BUDGET HE WOULD REACH OUT TO INTERSTATE GREENHOUSE. THE TOTAL PROJECT CAME IN AT \$19,283.04 WITH INTERSTATE GREENHOUSE DOING THE LANDSCAPING FOR \$6,797.04 AND KEMPER CONSTRUCTION DOING THE CONCRETE WORK FOR \$12,486. THERE WAS SOME DISCUSSION. MAYOR ADAMS RECOMMENDED THAT COUNCIL SHOULD ACCEPT THE QUOTE FROM INTERSTATE GREENHOUSE FOR THE LANDSCAPING IN THE AMOUNT \$6,797.04 AND THE QUOTE FROM KEMPER CONSTRUCTION FOR THE CONCRETE WORK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$12,486 FOR THE ARBORETUM PROJECT TOTALING \$19,283.04.

THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN GORDON AND SECONDED BY COUNCILWOMAN FRANKLIN AND DULY CARRIED TO ACCEPT THE QUOTE FROM INTERSTATE GREENHOUSE FOR THE LANDSCAPING IN THE AMOUNT \$6,797.04 AND THE QUOTE FROM KEMPER CONSTRUCTION FOR THE CONCRETE WORK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$12,486 FOR THE ARBORETUM PROJECT TOTALING \$19,283.04.

AYES 4 NAYS 0

ARPA FUNDING

MAYOR ADAMS SAID ATTACHED IN THE COUNCIL PACKET FOR TONIGHT WAS A LETTER FROM A CITIZEN REQUESTING A STUDY TO BE DONE ON THE CITY'S STORM DRAINS TO HELP WITH THE DRAINAGE ISSUES. MAYOR ADAMS INFORMED COUNCIL IN 1989 THE CITY HAD PLANS DRAWN UP ON THE CITY'S STORM DRAINS AND SINCE NOTHING HAS CHANGED THE CITY COULD MOVE FORWARD WITH THOSE PLANS. CURRENTLY PUBLIC WORKS AND CARROLLTON UTILITIES ARE CHECKING THE STORM DRAINS FOR OBSTRUCTS.

ENTERPRISE INCENTIVE PROGRAM

MAYOR ADAMS SAID THE CITY ATTORNEY EMAIL EVERYONE A DRAFT OF THE EIP ORDINANCE AND THERE NEEDS TO BE A SPECIAL MEETING TO HAVE A WORK SESSION TO FINALIZE THE EIP ORDINANCE THIS WEEK OR NEXT.

NEW BUSINESS

POLICE K-9

MAYOR ADAMS SAID THE POLICE K-9, HANK, HAS BEEN INJURED DURING A TRAINING EXERCISE. HANK HAS A LACERATION ON HIS LEG AND HAS HAD SEVERAL SURGERIES. HANK IS CURRENTLY WITH HIS HANDLER WES MCDONALD A FORMER CITY POLICE OFFICER WHO IS NOW EMPLOYED BY THE CARROLL COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE. POLICE CHIEF WILLHOITE SAID HANK IS NOT BEING USED BY THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE. AT THE MOMENT THERE IS NO ONE WITH CARROLLTON POLICE DEPARTMENT TRAINED TO HANDLE HANK. JAKE THOMPSON, ATTORNEY FOR THE CITY, SAID IT'S IN THE CITY'S BEST INTEREST TO SURPLUS HANK TO THE CARROLL COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE. MIKE WILLHOITE, POLICE CHIEF, SAID THE POLICE K-9 LICENSE HAS EXPIRED AND HANK CAN'T BE USED AS A DRUG UNTIL THE DECISION IS MADE WHO WILL EMPLOYEE HANK. THERE WAS SOME DISCUSSION. HAVING HANK SURPLUS HAS BEEN POSTPONED UNTIL HE IS HEALTHY AGAIN.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

A. PUBLIC WORKS – RON KNIGHT, PUBLIC WORKS SUPERVISOR, HAD NOTHING TO REPORT.

B. UTILITIES – TERRY ROACH, UTILITY ENGINEER, SAID THE 20/20 GAS PROJECT WAS AWARDED TO SWARTZ CONTRACTING. DUE TO SOME HIGH BID PRICES CARROLLTON UTILITIES HAD TO REDUCE THE PROJECT SCOPE BUT ARE STILL ABLE TO MEET OUR GOALS. LAST MONTH CARROLLTON UTILITIES REPORTED ON A PROJECT WITH THE USGS AND LOCAL INDUSTRY TO EVALUATE THE AQUIFER. CARROLLTON UTILITIES HAS SIGNED THE AGREEMENT WITH USGS SINCE CARROLLTON UTILITIES WILL RECEIVE OVER 93% OF THE FUNDING NEEDED AND EXPECT TO GET COMMITMENTS ON THE REMAINING FUNDING. THIS WILL BE THE THIRD TIME IN THE PAST 25 YEARS THAT A STUDY OF THIS NATURE HAS BEEN CONDUCTED. CARROLLTON UTILITIES IS CURRENTLY WORKING ON CLEANING OUT THE SANITARY SEWERS IN THE DOWNTOWN AREA. ONCE THE SANITARY SEWERS ARE CLEAN CAMERAS WILL BE USED TO CHECK THE CONDITION OF THE SEWER AND MAP THE CONNECTIONS. THIS IS A PART OF OUR ASSET MANAGEMENT PROGRAM.

C. CCCDC – SHELBY MILES, CCCDC DIRECTOR, SAID HE IS WORKING ON THE TAP GRANT AND SHOULD HAVE THE GRANT DONE THIS WEEK. THE DEADLINE FOR THE GRANT IS SEPTEMBER 30.

D. TOURISM – MISTY WHEELER, TOURISM DIRECTOR, WANTED TO THANK THE CITY OF CARROLLTON, CARROLL COUNTY EMS AND CARROLL COUNTY DETENTION CENTER FOR THEIR HELP WITH THE BANDS & BBQ EVENT LAST WEEKEND. THERE WERE 28 PRO BBQ TEAMS, 19 BACKYARD TEAMS AND 62 CRAFT VENDORS AT THE BANDS & BBQ EVENT.

E. POLICE DEPARTMENT – MIKE WILLHOITE, POLICE CHIEF, ASKED IF ANYONE HAD ANY QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE MONTHLY PACKET. CHIEF WILLHOITE POINTED OUT THAT THE NUMBERS FOR DUI, DRUGS AND DEATH CASES KEEP INCREASING. MR. WILLHOITE SAID IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN TO SET A DATE AND TIME FOR TRICK OR TREAT. HE SUGGESTED SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30th, 2021 FROM 6:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.

THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN CRAIG AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN GORDON AND DULY CARRIED TO HAVE TRICK OR TREAT ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30th, 2021 FROM 6:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.

AYES 4 NAYS 0

F. FIRE DEPARTMENT – MIKE TERRELL, FIRE CHIEF, ASKED IF ANYONE HAD ANY QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE MONTHLY PACKET. THE FIRE DEPARTMENT WAS CALLED OUT SEVERAL TIMES LAST MONTH FOR DOWN WIRES. FORTUNATELY IT WAS JUST PHONE LINES.

G. CODE ENFORCEMENT – ROBERT HOFMANN SAID THE CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER, RICK WATTS, HAS RETURNED BACK TO WORK. SINCE THE LAST COUNCIL MEETING THERE HAS BEEN 40 NEW CODE ENFORCEMENT CASES OPENED AND MOST OF THEM HAVE BEEN CLOSED. MR. HOFMANN RECENTLY PASSED THE PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE TEST.

H. CLERK –TREASURER – MELINDA WRIGHT- MOORE, CITY CLERK TREASURER, SAID THE 2021 PROPERTY TAX BILLS HAVE BEEN MAILED OUT.

I. MAIN STREET – SAM BURGESS SAID THE 1ST FRIDAY EVENTS ARE DONE FOR THE YEAR. THE NEXT EVENT DOWNTOWN IS THE CHALK ART EVENT ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16TH. THE CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE IS FIRST WEEK OF NOVEMBER. MR. BURGESS COMMENTED THAT SOMETHING DOES NEED TO BE DONE ABOUT THE PARKING DOWNTOWN DURING BUSINESS HOURS.

J. ATTORNEY - JAKE THOMPSON HAD NOTHING TO REPORT.

MAYOR’S REPORTS

MAYOR ADAMS SAID THE SPLASH PARK WENT DOWN TODAY FOR A FEW HOURS DUE TO KU HITTING A WATER MAIN. DEPENDING ON THE WEATHER THE SPLASH PARK SHOULD CLOSE AROUND THE FIRST WEEK OF OCTOBER. BEFORE TOO LONG THE CITY SHOULD HAVE THE PLANS FOR THE BATHROOM PROJECT AT POINT PARK.

COMMENTS

COUNCILMAN CRAIG: WANTED TO THANK MISTY WHEELER AND THE CARROLL/CARROLLTON TOURISM FOR THE BANDS & BBQ EVENT.

COUNCILMAN GORDON: SAID HE HAS ONLY HEARD GOOD COMPLIMENTS ABOUT THE BANDS & BBQ EVENT.

MAYOR ADAMS: SAID ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18TH PMC IS HAVING THEIR ANNUAL HAZMAT EVENT.

COUNCILWOMAN FRANKLIN: SAID MISTY WHEELER AND THE CARROLL/CARROLLTON TOURISM DID A GREAT JOB WITH THE BANDS & BBQ EVENT.

COUNCILMAN LOUDEN: WANTED TO THANK EVERYONE FOR THE SYMPATHY NOTES.

ADJOURNMENT

THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN LOUDEN AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN GORDON AND DULY CARRIED TO STAND IN ADJOURNMENT AT THE HOUR OF 8:55 P.M.

AYES 4 NAYS 0

ATTEST:

ROBB W. ADAMS,
MAYOR

MELINDA WRIGHT-MOORE,
CLERK-TREASURER