

Carroll Village Council met in special session on Monday, April 6, 2026 at 4:30 p.m. The meeting was called to order by the mayor.

Roll Call

Members of Council present were Linda Dattilo, Kenny George, Adam Tippett, Will Burns, Kevin Rinehart, and Shelly Squibb. Also, present was Mayor Preston Barringer and Fiscal Officer Crystal Roberts. Solicitor Jeff Feyko was absent.

Visitors

Dawn Wyne, Jeff and Angie Craig, Dave Leffler, and Sherry Quail.

Visitors Comments

Visitors made comments throughout the entire meeting.

Old Business

New Business

Ordinances

Resolutions

FIRST READ

Resolution R-2026-01

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FISCAL OFFICER TO ADVANCE FUNDS FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE WATER FUND, AND THE DECLARATION OF AN EMERGENCY

- Adam Tippett made a motion to bypass the committee, seconded by Will Burns, roll call was all in favor.
- Will Burns made a motion to bypass the three-read rule, seconded by Adam Tippett, roll call was all in favor.
- Adam Tippett made a motion to adopt Resolution R-2026-01, seconded by Will Burns, roll call was all in favor.

*Discussion was made. Will Burns stated they bypassed the committee because there is a large amount of water loss that we can't recoup, due to the leaks and materials needed for the water breaks. The village is trying to get reimbursed.

Adam Tippett stated this is an advance of \$150,000 from the general fund to the water fund. Hopefully the village can recoup the advanced amount from now until next year when it comes due. Will stated it will stay in the water fund until it comes due in a year.

Kevin Rinehart asked if anyone has had a chance to talk to the contractor to see if they were going to absorb some of those? The mayor stated that Crystal asked about the reimbursements and the process. The mayor sent a message to Gary to see how they account for it. The mayor has not been answered back.

Kevin stated that Jeff Craig had asked about whether or not the insurance would cover any of it, has anyone been able to check? The fiscal officer stated, yes and it is not covered under insurance.

Kevin asked if there were any questions from the audience? Sherry Quail asked about the possible reimbursement from the contractor? Will stated it's a possible reimbursement. It could be from the contractor itself which is technically not a reimbursement from them. The contractor submits everything to DLZ and it is managed through the loan and grants.

Dawn Wyne asked how the village plans to repay the money back to the general fund? Will stated the plan is to get some reimbursement. The money will stay in the water fund until the time of reimbursement. There is still a lot of work that needs done. There could still be leaks that appear. Dawn Wyne asked how much is the revenue each year for the water department and the village as a whole? The fiscal officer stated for last year it was approximately \$14,700 per month. Dawn asked how much the revenue was for the village as a whole? Dawn asked how the revenue comes in for the village? The fiscal officer stated for the water and sewer fund is from utility payments and tap fees (for new builds, which we don't have). The general fund comes from income tax. The street comes from auto tags. Dawn stated that general comes from property tax and income tax. The fiscal officer stated, yes. Dawn asked where the zoning money goes when it comes in. The fiscal officer stated the general fund. She asked what the balance was at the end of the year in revenue at the end of 2025? For water the revenue in 2025 was \$177,461.32 and for sewer it was \$246,231.95. She asked what revenue was for the general fund? The general fund revenue was \$504,314.28.

Dawn asked if the problem has to do with the water and not the sewer? The mayor stated, correct. Will Burns stated that the problem was caused by the sewer.

Sherry Quail asked what was the average water bill was over the last three months? The fiscal officer stated the average charge for water was \$70.08, and the average sewer was \$68.41. Sherry said she meant what were we charged for water? The fiscal officer stated didn't have the bills in front of her, but the current bill for water was over \$38,000 and last month was over \$20,000 for water. Will stated there was a leak on Market Street that took a month to track down because it didn't come to the surface.

Dawn asked when the utility bills were due? The fiscal officer stated the 27th of every month, except for February it is due on the 25th, due to the shorter month. Dawn asked if that was due to us, or the county? The fiscal officer said no, that is when it is due to the village. The due date for Fairfield Utilities is the 15th of the month. The fiscal officer stated the next bill is due April 15th. Kevin Rinehart said and that is the one for the \$38,000? The fiscal officer stated, yes. Dawn asked how much was currently in the fund to pay for that bill? The fiscal officer stated there was \$38,092.36 currently in the fund. Dawn stated that in the last meeting it was stated that there was \$1,500,000 in the general fund. Dawn asked what was the budget for the whole year? The fiscal officer broke every fund down.

Kevin Rinehart asked what the carryover was from last year? The fiscal officer stated it was \$1,042,432.76.

Dawn Wyne asked what staff had percentage taking out of water? The fiscal officer said James Stebelton, Rich Parker and Debbie Henry. She also asked there percents? Debbie has 40% out of General, Water and Sewer are 30%. James has 10% out of Park (General Fund), 10% out of another part of General and 10% out of the mayor's line (General Fund), 15 % out of Street, 15% out of Water and 20% out of Sewer. Rich has 15 % coming out of Park (General Fund), 15% out of the Village Administrator line (General Fund), 40% out of Street, 20% out of Water and 10% out of Sewer. The fiscal officer stated that there should be more of a percent coming out of water and sewer, but has been trying to lighten the load on those funds.

Shelly Squibb was not able to attend the previous meeting and asked for things to be explained to get caught up. She asked several questions that were answered. She questioned why the village is being held accountable for lines that the construction people are breaking? Will stated he thought DLZ left a

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lot of things out in the design. The mayor stated we are left on the hook trying to get money back. We just need it fixed and can't wait for somebody else to do it, or people would be out of water for days, possibly weeks. We are submitting bills to get reimbursed. We are at least thirty days out from hearing back about the reimbursement. The fiscal officer said that water loss is not reimbursable, so that amount needs to be taken off of the \$103,000. DLZ is trying to resubmit water loss, but not to likely we will get reimbursed for the loss. Will stated he wanted to do a lower amount, but the state does not allow multiple transfers. It needs to be a one-time deal. The \$150,000 was a nice round figure to cover any future leaks for the rest of the project. We are hoping to get reimbursed for most of it and if it is more than enough then it will go back into the General Fund. Shelly asked if the current crew was not as efficient as the crew from the earlier phases? Will stated that the second phase was minor. The depth and amount of digging was minor.

Sherry Quail stated/asked it sounds like we are not only getting stuck paying the water bill, but we are also claiming for all the repair materials from Ferguson? Will and the mayor stated we are asking for reimbursement for multiple things.

Next Meeting

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 14, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment

There being no other business before council, Kevin Rinehart made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Adam Tippett, roll call was all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

Crystal L. Roberts, Fiscal Officer

Preston Barringer, Mayor