

STATEMENT OF COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

October 11, 2021

The City Council of the City of Anamosa met in Regular Session October 11, 2021 at the Anamosa Library and Learning Center and via Zoom at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Rod Smith presiding. The following Council Members were present: John Machart, Rich Crump, Jeff Stout, Kay Smith, Alan Zumbach, and Galen Capron. Absent: none. Also present were Beth Brincks, City Administrator/Clerk; Rebecca Vernon, Library Director and Jeremiah Hoyt, Police Chief. Iowa Code Chapter 21, as interpreted, permits public meetings to be held electronically.

Mayor Rod Smith called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll call was taken with a quorum present.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Smith, second by Stout to approve the agenda. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Crump, second by Machart to approve the minutes of the September 27, 2021 Regular City Council meeting. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The Mayor opened the Public Hearing at 6:02pm. Tom Gruis of the East Central Iowa Council of Governments presented the status of funded activities for the Downtown Revitalization Project of Anamosa, Iowa, as assisted by the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. As required for this hearing, it is noted that: a. for a general description of accomplishments to date, it is noted that the following has been completed: architectural designs for nine facades, covering ten addresses, have been completed and bid out for construction. Construction is under way. To date demolition, asbestos removal, structural beam replacements, masonry repairs, roof repairs and replacements have all been completed. b. for a summary of expenditures to-date: through September 10, 2021, a total of \$344,974 has been invoiced and submitted for grant reimbursement: \$201,443 for construction; \$128,357 for architectural; and \$15,173 for grant administration, environmental/materials testing (asbestos, mortar), and easements. An additional \$181,804 has been invoiced for construction and \$2,250 for grant administration and will be submitted for reimbursement. From a grant of \$500,000, design and construction costs are reimbursed at 49% and administration costs are reimbursed at 81%. \$174,306 of grant funds have been requested to date, with \$353,194 in remaining funds to be reimbursed. c. For a general description of remaining work, it is noted that the following is needed: Exterior painting is underway and should soon be finished. Rough carpentry and drywall have been completed on some buildings but has not yet started on others. New second floor windows are soon to be installed. Aluminum storefront, finish carpentry, historic window repair, and interior painting remain to be completed. d. For a general description of changes made to the project budget, performance targets, activity schedules, project scope, location, objectives or beneficiaries: there have been no changes in the project location, objectives or beneficiaries. Changes in project scope arose due to unforeseen and hidden conditions including a severely deteriorated parapet wall, uncovered asbestos, material substitutions due to availability, deteriorated oriel window structure, and minor owner directed changes. The overall net increase to the construction contract amount from Change Orders is \$25,879.29. The substantial and final completion dates remain unchanged. Public in attendance making comment: Tammy Dearborn stated that it looks very good and looking forward getting the

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windows in. Tom Durgin stated that it looks nice and glad to see the progress. No other public comments were received. Motion by Zumbach, second by Crump to close the public hearing. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried. Hearing closed at 6:08pm

Brian Stark with Martin Gardner Architecture presented information on the Police Station Renovation Project. He presented the floor plan and cost estimate.

Tom Durgin presented a video and information about the condition of the Dillion Military Bridge. There is a 28e agreement with Jones County since there is joint ownership. John Dirks and Durgin would like to install a cradle to hold one side together. They would like to see the bridge closed and saved. Motion by Crump, second by Smith to contact the County about hiring an engineering firm to start the process to investigate the bridge. Ayes: all. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Crump, second by Zumbach to approve DNR Inspection Report for the Wastewater Treatment Plant and answers to concerns. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Smith, second by Stout to table the first reading of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 90.14 – Water Billing. Several property owners spoke to the amendment. Discussion was had. Roll vote. Ayes: Smith, Machart, Zumbach, Capron, Stout, and Crump. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Crump, second by Machart to approve the first reading of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 122 – Transient Merchant. Discussion was had. Roll vote. Ayes: Capron, Crump, Stout, Smith, Machart, and Zumbach. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Crump, second by Zumbach to approve the First Reading of an Ordinance Repealing and Replacing Chapter 160 – Flood Plain. Roll vote. Ayes: Machart, Smith, Stout, Capron, Zumbach, and Crump. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Smith, second by Crump to approve Resolution 2021-57 hiring and setting salary for a part time front desk attendant for the Lawrence Community Center. Roll vote. Ayes: Zumbach, Capron, Stout, Crump, Smith, and Machart. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Crump, second by Stout to approve Resolution 2021-58 hiring and setting salary for a part time Street Laborer I. Roll vote. Ayes: Crump, Capron, Smith, Stout, Machart, and Zumbach. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Smith, second by Crump to approve Resolution 2021-59 authorizing users and administrators for the City of Anamosa vendor accounts. Roll vote. Ayes: Stout, Smith, Crump, Machart, Zumbach, and Capron. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Crump, second by Smith to approve Resolution 2021-60 authorizing the installation of street lights by Alliant Energy. Roll vote. Ayes: Zumbach, Crump, Smith, Capron, Machart, and Stout. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Smith, Second by Zumbach to approve the independent Auditors' report for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2020. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Crump, second by Machart to approve the request for qualifications for architectural services for the CDBG Downtown Façade Improvements Second Phase. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

There was discussion of the Meadow Ridge 8th Addition. Outlot A had been recorded to be donated to the City for a neighborhood park. Approximately half an acre has been sold to Councilmember Stout. Bryce Ricklefs (developer), Nancy Shaffer (Park and Rec Board Member) and Paul Heims (Citizen of Meadow Ridge) also commented. Motion by Crump, second by Smith stating that the City no knowledge and gave no approval for the sale of a portion of outlot A in Meadow Ridge 8th Addition. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Zumbach to table any action on the chain of command relative to the City Administrator. This motion died for lack of a second. Motion by Crump, second by Capron to direct the City Attorney to draft a Resolution of Censure. Discussion was had as to the powers of the Mayor. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Smith, second by Machart to approve the Liquor License Renewal for Fareway. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Capron, second by Zumbach to approve current bills. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Beth Brincks, City Administrator/City Clerk presented her City Administrator's report.

Mayor and Council Reports: Machart reported that E911 met and discussed their budget. Capron attended the Solid Waste Commission meeting and there will be a survey coming out and their new end loader is on backorder. Stout reported that the roof is being replaced on the LCC and fencing and other items for repairs are on back order.

Public comments: Tom Durgin commented that legal issues should be considered with shut off meters.

Motion by Crump, second by Machart to adjourn. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:43 pm.

Rod Smith, Mayor

ATTEST:

Beth Brincks, City Clerk