

STATEMENT OF COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

December 14, 2020

The City Council of the City of Anamosa met in Regular Session December 14, 2020 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 (via Zoom), Jeff Stout (via Zoom), Kay Smith, Alan Zumbach, and Galen Capron. Absent: none. Also present were Beth Brincks, City Administrator/Clerk; Rebecca Vernon, Library Director. Due to the restrictions on public gatherings, the public utilized Zoom to participate in the meeting from their homes. 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. All votes will be called as roll votes.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Director Vernon gave some brief instructions on use of Zoom and how to participate in the meeting.

Motion by Smith, Second by Zumbach to approve the agenda. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Zumbach, second by Machart to approve the minutes of the November 23, 2020 Regular City Council meeting. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The Mayor opened the Public Hearing on a proposal to enter into Loan Agreement #1 in a principal amount not to exceed \$250,000 for funding economic development grants for downtown property improvements at 6:03pm.

No written or verbal comments were made at the meeting or received prior to the meeting. There being no further objections, comments, or evidence offered, Council Member Smith moved to close the hearing, second by Capron. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The Mayor opened the Public Hearing on a proposal to enter into Loan Agreement #2 in a principal amount not to exceed \$700,000 for constructing, furnishing and equipping municipal police facilities at 6:04pm.

No written or verbal comments were made at the meeting or received prior to the meeting. There being no further objections, comments, or evidence offered, Council Member Machart moved to close the hearing, second by Stout. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The Mayor opened the Public Hearing on a proposal to enter into Loan Agreement #3 in a principal amount not to exceed \$700,000 for constructing, furnishing and equipping municipal fire protection facilities at 6:06pm.

No written or verbal comments were made at the meeting or received prior to the meeting. There being no further objections, comments, or evidence offered, Council Member Stout moved to close the hearing, second by Crump. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The Mayor opened the Public Hearing on a proposal to enter into Loan Agreement #4 in a principal amount not to exceed \$100,000 for planning, design and constructing of street and highway improvements at 6:07pm.

No written or verbal comments were made at the meeting or received prior to the meeting. There being no further objections, comments, or evidence offered, Council Member Crump moved to close the hearing, second by Capron. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Smith, second by Crump to approve Resolution 2020-73 taking additional action on proposals to enter into loan agreements and combining loan agreements. Roll vote. Ayes: Crump, Smith, Machart, Zumbach, Stout, and Capron. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The Mayor opened the Public Hearing for the proposed development agreement with Blu Track, Inc. at 6:09pm.

No written or verbal comments were made at the meeting or received prior to the meeting. There being no further objections, comments, or evidence offered, Council Member Crump moved to close the hearing, second by Machart. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Crump, second by Smith to approve Resolution 2020-74 approving a development agreement with Blu Track, Inc., authorizing annual appropriation tax increment payments and pledging certain tax increment revenues to the payment of the agreement.. Roll vote. Ayes: Crump, Smith, Machart, Zumbach, Stout, and Capron. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The Mayor opened the Public Hearing for the proposed development agreement with Scale Tec, LTD. at 6:11pm.

No written or verbal comments were made at the meeting or received prior to the meeting. There being no further objections, comments, or evidence offered, Council Member Smith moved to close the hearing, second by Zumbach. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Stout, second by Zumbach to approve Resolution 2020-75 approving a development agreement with Scale Tec, LTD, authorizing annual appropriation tax increment payments and pledging certain tax increment revenues to the payment of the agreement.. Roll vote. Ayes: Smith, Crump, Machart, Zumbach, Stout, and Capron. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Tim Wallace of Snyder and Associates presented an overview of current engineering projects. Project cost estimates were given at approximately 8 million dollars. Council discussed future development and costs. Other options for a frontage road were also discussed. Bryce Ricklefs gave his views and interests in the project.

Motion by Crump, second by Smith to approve the STBG funding application for the 151 Grade Separation Project. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Crump, second by Zumbach to approve leaving the current outside agency funding as approve by Resolution 2020-11 on March 9, 2020. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Crump, second by Machart to approve the City of Anamosa Procurement Policy as required for Federal Grant Funds. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Smith, second by Zumbach to approve Resolution 2020-76 hiring and setting the salary for the Street Superintendent. Roll vote. Ayes: Machart, Zumbach, Crump, Smith, Stout, and Capron. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Crump, second by Capron to approve the November 2020 Treasurer's Report as presented. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

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

City Administrators Report: Brincks reported the new City website has been launched. Working on budget worksheets. City Clerk ad has been run and posted. May have a request for a special meeting to interview candidates.

Mayor and Council Reports: The Mayor made a statement about shopping local and supporting local businesses. Downtown decorations are very impressive. He also gave an update of the last Hometown Pride meeting and current activities downtown.

Smith informed everyone about the Park and Rec Department fund raiser.

Stout reported that the Park and Rec Board has not met. The Tree Walk was being held virtually this year. Director Vernon gave directions to view the Tree Walk.

Capron reported that the solid waste commission meeting was fairly routine.

Machart reported that emergency management is still seeing PPE shortages.

There were no Public comments for items not on the agenda.

Motion by Machart, second by Crump to adjourn. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:38 pm.

Rod Smith, Mayor

ATTEST:

Beth Brincks, City Clerk