

The City Council of the City of Anamosa met in a Regular Session this January 11, 2011 in the Meeting Room at the Anamosa Library at 6:00 p.m. with Cody Shaffer, Bill Feldmann, Chuck Smith, Andy Bowers, Brady Reynolds and Rachel Menard present. Absent: None. Mayor Dale Barnes presided. Also present were Patrick Callahan, City Administrator, Tammy Coons, City Clerk; Larry Driscoll, Public Works Director; Dave Burkholder, Interim Police Chief; Jeff Swisher, Fire Chief; and Kelly Scott, Snyder & Associates. Guests Present - Addressing the Council: Bob Hatcher, Jones County Tourism Director. Mayor Dale Barnes called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with a quorum present.

Council Minutes

Motion by Feldmann, second by Reynolds to approve the minutes from the December 28, 2009 Regular Council meeting. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Presentations

Bob Hatcher – Jones County Tourism – Budget Request F.Y. 2010-11

Bob Hatcher, Jones County Tourism Director addressed the Council requesting the same funding from the City as last Fiscal Year, which is 25% of the Hotel/Motel Tax and a per capita amount of \$.285/person based upon 4,214 population. Bob also reviewed the current Tourism's funding sources and the statistics for Tourism in Jones County for last year.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Appointment of Assistant Fire Chief

Motion by Feldmann, second by Shaffer to approve the appointment of Wes Koob as Assistant Fire Chief for the Anamosa Fire Department, replacing Chuck Barnes who has stepped down from the position. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Appointments to the Police Chief Selection Committee

Discussion was held on the potential members of the Police Chief Selection Committee. Mayor Barnes selected several names from the list of potential members and recommended them to the Council. More discussion followed. Motion by Feldmann, second by Menard to approve the following appointments to the Police Chief Selection Committee – Mayor Dale Barnes, Council members Cody Shaffer and Brady Reynolds, Adrian Knuth, Greg Graver, Lowell Tiedt, Dave Remley (alternate Betty Wiemer), Mary Achenbach and Tyler Remley. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Resolution Setting Public Hearing for Tobacco Violation

Motion by Menard, second by Smith to approve **Resolution 2010-01** setting public hearing on complaint of sale of tobacco products to underage persons for February 22, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. Roll Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Request from Snow Chasers Snowmobile Club to Operate in the City in Compliance with Chapter 75 of the City Code of Ordinances

Discussion was held on the request for a letter of support/permission from the Snow Chasers Snowmobile Club to operate in the City of Anamosa in compliance with Chapter 75 of the City Code of Ordinances.

Motion by Feldmann, second by Shaffer to authorize the City Administrator to send a letter of permission to the Snow Chasers Snowmobile Club to operate in the City of Anamosa in compliance with Chapter 75 of the City Code of Ordinances. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC WORKS

Ordinance Amending Chapter 164 Water Well Protection

Motion by Feldmann, second by Menard to approve the **first reading of Ordinance No. 866** Amending Chapter 146 – Water Well Protection of the Anamosa City Code of Ordinances. Roll Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Smith, second by Reynolds to approve the **waiver of the second and third readings of Ordinance No. 866** Amending Chapter 146 – Water Well Protection of the Anamosa City Code of Ordinances. Roll Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Repairs to Well Control Panel at the Water Plant

Larry Driscoll reviewed the needed repairs to the Water Plant Control Panel. This will allow the Water Plant to be operated automatically instead of manually, as it currently needs to be operated. Larry stated that this purchase is already included in the current Water Department budget. Discussion followed.

Motion by Shaffer, second by Feldmann to approve the repairs to the Water Plant Control Panel. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Possible Grant or Loan from the USDA for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvement Project

Kelly Scott, Snyder & Associates addressed the Council explaining the availability of a grant or loan from the USDA for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvement Project. Kelly stated that the City has already received fifty percent of the funding in the form of an I-JOBS grant and the City is still waiting to hear on a possible grant from CDBG for possible funding for the remaining fifty percent of the project cost. Discussion followed.

Motion by Feldmann, second by Menard to table any action on applying for USDA funding for this project until the City receives a response on the CDBG grant. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Joint Meeting with the County and IDOT on the Old Dubuque Road and Hwy 151 Intersection

Tammy stated that the joint meeting with the County and IDOT regarding the Old Dubuque Road and Hwy 151 Intersection is scheduled for Wednesday, January 20, 2010 at 5:30 p.m. and asked the Council if there were any corrections or changes to the proposed agenda. No suggestions or changes were offered.

Request from Property Owners on Dakota Court to Connect to the City's Storm Sewer

Bill Feldmann reviewed the history of this request. Discussion followed. Larry Driscoll stated that he would not recommend that the connection be allowed. Discussion followed.

Motion by Bowers, second by Reynolds to deny the request from the property owners on Dakota Court to connect to the City's storm sewer. 1-Nay, Feldmann. All Remaining Ayes. Motion Carried.

FINANCE**Stallion Creek and LCC Bank Repairs**

Discussion was held on the proposal received from Snyder & Associates on the repairs to Stallion Creek and the LCC Bank. Larry Driscoll reviewed the recent repairs made to the creek area at Division Street. More discussion followed.

Motion by Feldmann, second by Reynolds to table any action on this until the City Administrator is available to discuss this further. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Resolution Approving the Hiring of Full Time Employee for the Public Works – Water Department

Larry reviewed his memo on his request to hire a full time employee for the Public Works Water Department. He stated that Jerry Gerst is currently working as a temporary employee in this department and he has worked out very well. Larry explained that one of the Water Department Employees will be retiring in 2010 and this is already included in the current budget.

Motion by Feldmann, second by Smith to approve **Resolution 2010-02** approving the hiring of a full time employee (Jerry Gerst) for the Public Works Department – Water Department and setting of salary for Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2010. Roll Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Appraisal of Former IDOT Site

Tammy stated that a copy of the appraisal of the former IDOT site was distributed at the meeting tonight for Council review. Bill Feldmann reviewed the history of this property and the breakdown of the parcels appraised. No action was taken at this time.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS:**Appointment of Mayor Pro Tem**

After discussion, Mayor Barnes appointed Council Member Cody Shaffer as Mayor Pro Tem.

Council Appointments to Boards and Commissions

Discussion was held on the Council appointments to Boards and Commissions. Motion by Menard, second by Feldmann to approve the following Council appointments to Boards and Commissions as recommended by Mayor Barnes:

Jones County Tourism – Chuck Smith
Jones County Solid Waste Commission – Mayor Barnes
Jones County Economic Development – Cody Shaffer
Jones County Senior Dining Program – Rachel Menard
Jones County Emergency Management – Bill Feldmann
E911 Board – Bill Feldmann
Local Access Board – Brady Reynolds
Parks & Recreation Board – Rachel Menard
All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Appointment to Eastern Iowa Regional Housing Authority Board

Tammy stated that there is still one vacancy on this board and asked the Council members to contact her or Pat if they had any potential candidates.

Goal Setting Session

Tammy reviewed the packet of information for the upcoming Goal Setting Session on Wednesday, January 13, 2010.

Adjournment

Motion by Feldmann, second by Menard to adjourn at 7:28 p.m. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Dale Barnes, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tammy Coons, City Clerk