

The City Council of the City of Anamosa met in a Regular Session this March 23, 2009 in the Meeting Room at the Anamosa Library at 6:00 p.m. with Bill Feldmann, Danny Young, Brian Harmon, Dennis Hansen, Brady Reynolds and Tom Swisher present. Absent: None. Mayor Jon Hatcher presided. Also present were Patrick Callahan, City Administrator, Tammy Coons, City Clerk; Larry Driscoll, Public Works Director; Matt Menard, Police Chief and Dave Stoklasa, Snyder & Associates. Guests Present: Jackie Luckstead. Mayor Jon Hatcher called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll call was taken with a quorum present.

Council Minutes

Motion by Feldmann, second by Young to approve the minutes from the March 9, 2009 Regular Council meeting. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Public Hearing Regarding Proposed Amendments to the Highway 151 Urban Renewal Plan Adding Properties on Old Dubuque Road

Mayor Hatcher opened the public hearing on the proposed amendments to the Highway 151 Urban Renewal Plan adding properties on Old Dubuque Road at 6:05 p.m.

Pat Callahan stated that no written or verbal comments had been received. He also stated that Marty Kelzer, Jones County Economic Development Director had given a curtsey call to the affected property owners on Old Dubuque Road. No comments were offered by the public present.

Motion by Hansen, second by Young to close the public hearing at 6:07 p.m. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

PRESENTATIONS

Jackie Luckstead – Regarding Jones County Extension Office Program for Youth in the Community

Jackie Luckstead addressed the Council distributing hand outs on the Jones County Extension Program for Youths. She thanked the Council for their previous contributions and she reviewed the upcoming program. Discussion followed.

COMMUNITY BETTERMENT

Ordinance Amending Chapter 23 – Planning & Zoning Commission and Zoning Board of Adjustment

Motion by Feldmann, second by Young to approve the **second reading of Ordinance 845** amending Chapter 23 – Planning & Zoning Commission and Zoning Board of Adjustment. Discussion followed. Roll Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Feldmann, second by Harmon to approve the **waiver of the third reading of Ordinance 845** amending Chapter 23 – Planning & Zoning Commission and Zoning Board of Adjustment. Roll Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Ordinance Amending Chapter 165 – Zoning Regulations

Motion by Feldmann, second by Young to approve the **second reading of Ordinance 846** amending Chapter 165 – Zoning Regulations. Roll Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Hansen, second by Harmon to approve the **waiver of the third reading of Ordinance 846** amending Chapter 165 – Zoning Regulations. Roll Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Ordinance Amending Chapter 166 – Subdivision Regulations

Pat Callahan reviewed the slight amendment to the proposed ordinance regarding setting the fee by resolution as recommended by Adrian Knuth, City Attorney.

Motion by Feldmann, second by Harmon to approve the **second reading of Ordinance 847** amending Chapter 166 – Subdivision Regulations with amendment to set the fee by resolution. Roll Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Young, second by Feldmann to approve the **waiver of the third reading of Ordinance 847** amending Chapter 166 – Subdivision Regulations with amendment to set the fee by resolution. Roll Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Ordinance Amending Chapter 167 – Site Plan Review and Regulations

Motion by Hansen, second by Feldmann to approve the **second reading of Ordinance 848** amending Chapter 167 – Site Plan Review and Regulations. Roll Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Hansen, second by Harmon to approve the **waiver of the third reading of Ordinance 848** amending Chapter 167 – Site Plan Review and Regulations. Roll Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Proposed Commercial Development at Former Wal-Mart Site

Pat stated that no action is required at this time. He said that Planning & Zoning has reviewed the initial site plan for the former Wal-Mart site. He is expecting the final site plan will be ready for Council review and approval at the next Council meeting.

Land Lease with Interstate Power and Light Company for City's Waste Disposal Drop Off Site

Pat reviewed the proposed lease with Interstate Power & Light Co. – Alliant for the land where the City yard waste drop off site is located and the reason for the lease. Discussion followed.

Motion by Feldmann, second by Hansen to authorize the Mayor to sign the lease agreement on behalf of the City and change the effective date on the contract to the correct date. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Resolution Approving the Addition to the Highway 151 Urban Renewal Area

Motion by Feldmann, second by Harmon to approve **Resolution 2009-15** to declare necessity and establish an urban renewal area, pursuant to Section 403.4 of the Code of Iowa and approve Urban Renewal Plan amendment for the 2009 addition to the Highway 151 Urban Renewal Area. Roll Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Ordinance Providing for Division of Taxes Levied on Taxable Property in the 2009 Addition to the Highway 151 Urban Renewal Area

Pat reviewed the proposed ordinance.

Motion by Young, second by Feldmann to approve the **first reading of Ordinance 849** providing for the division of taxes levied on taxable property in the 2009 addition to the Highway 151 Urban Renewal Area, pursuant to Section 403.19 of the Code of Iowa. Roll Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Harmon, second by Reynolds to approve the **waiver of the second and third readings of Ordinance 849** providing for the division of taxes levied on taxable property in the 2009 addition to the Highway 151 Urban Renewal Area, pursuant to Section 403.19 of the Code of Iowa. Roll Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY**Beer and Liquor Licenses**

Motion by Feldmann, second by Young to approve the renewal of Class C Liquor License, outdoor sales permit and Sunday sales privileges for Knucklehead's Pub 'n Grub. Discussion followed. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Ordinance Amending Chapter 69 of the City Code Regarding No Parking Zones (Not Including 1st Street)

Motion by Feldmann, second by Young to approve the **second reading of Ordinance** amending Chapter 69 of the City Code regarding no parking Zones (Not including 1st Street). Discussion followed. Bill Feldmann stated that he would like to see no parking on the north side of 1st Street be placed on the next agenda. Roll Vote. 1-Nay, Swisher. All Remaining Ayes. Motion Carried.

Resolution Setting Salaries for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2009 for new Hires for the Anamosa Police Department

Pat reviewed the memo from Matt Menard, Police Chief on his recommendation for the hire of two employees for the Anamosa Police Department to fill two vacant positions. Discussion followed.

Motion by Feldmann, second by Harmon to approve **Resolution 2009-16** hiring and setting salaries for Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2009 for new hires for the Anamosa Police Department. Roll Vote. 1-Nay, Reynolds. All Remaining Ayes. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC WORKS**Wastewater Treatment Plant Operations Building**

Dave Stoklasa, Snyder & Associates stated that the roof has been started on the WWTP Operations Building, which opens up the east end for painting and electrical work. The contractor is in the process of removing the old trickling filter rock media. He estimates they have approximately four weeks of work left to complete on the trickling filter. Discussion followed. Dave stated that the electrical and plumbing is coming along well. He also stated there will be two proposed change orders that will involve the moving the compressors and the grit classifier up above.

Dave stated that Bryce Ricklefs is working on the four to one fill of macadam base on the slopes surrounding the building. Discussion was held on the feasibility of adding top soil to the rock slope or leaving it with just the rock. It was the consensus of the Council to leave it rock at this time.

Amendments to the Flood Control Study

Pat stated that the no actual amendments for the flood modeling were ready for tonight's meeting, but Snyder & Associates needs some direction from the Council on their plans and goals for flood control before additional flood modeling can be done. Dave reviewed the flood study work completed to date and the corresponding flood modeling as defined under the previous contracts. Dave stated that no documents had been sent to the DNR on the levee work done during the flood event due to the unknown future of these levees. Dave stated he will have a proposal for the Council for future flood modeling in five areas. Dave suggested modeling up the Buffalo to Iowa Street and that the associated engineering costs by his estimate keep rising. He will have a cost estimate for the Council at the next meeting. Discussion followed. Pat suggested looking at a second line of flood defense by Eden's field to protect the businesses such as Tapken's, Eden's and the Imperial Apartments. More discussion followed.

Motion by Feldmann, second by Reynolds to table any action on additional flood modeling at this time. Discussion followed. Bill Feldmann suggested contacting the Anamosa Schools regarding flood mitigation for the school's field areas. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Drilling New Water Well

Pat reviewed a recent meeting with Larry Driscoll and Dennis Walters regarding potential new water well locations at the Anamosa Commercial Park. Two possible locations were identified: 1) Lot #18 2) Outlot. Lot #18 could be a shared purchase with the REC for locating a new substation or the Outlot may be at no cost or possibly a long term lease.

Motion by Feldmann, second by Harmon to authorize Snyder & Associates to review the feasibility of the two possible locations in the Anamosa Commercial Park. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Purchase of Equipment for Chemical Addition to Water Supply for Radium Removal

Dave and Larry reviewed Larry's proposed plan for chemical addition to remove radium in the water supply. Their recommendation is as follows - 1) send the technical specs to the DNR 2) Larry is to pursue quotes for the needed equipment 3) The City will complete a partial installation and hire local vendors to complete the installation.

Update of Two Lift Stations

Pat stated that with the new commercial development coming on the northeast side of town, restaurants and the new hospital, there is a greater need to modify or upgrade the 2nd Street and Rosemary Lane lift stations. Larry reviewed his proposal of installing larger lines for the Rosemary Lane lift station and upgrading the 2nd Street lift station next year, keeping the old line on the 2nd Street lift station. Larry also recommended that it remain an "in-house" project, funding this project with Wastewater reserve funds.

Public Works Building Project

Pat stated that the building is back to where it was prior to the wind damage. It appears the project has lost one month. Pat stated that at this time he has not received a written change order for the needed time extension for the project. He stated that the contractor's insurance is covering the costs associated with the recent wind damage and no action is needed tonight. Discussion followed.

Funding for Federal Economic Stimulus CDBG Program

Pat stated that ECICOG contacted him informing him that there are more funds available through the CDBG program and the qualifications for the program have been amended to include non-covered FEMA flood projects. Pat suggested that the WWTP secondary treatment process upgrade may be a viable project for the funds. Pat asked the Council if they would like the City to apply for CDBG funds for this project. Discussion followed.

Motion by Feldmann, second by Hansen to start the application process for the available CDBG funds for the WWTP Secondary Treatment Process. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Allocation of Funding from the State Community Disaster Program

Pat stated that the available funds from the State Community Disaster Program have been decreased from \$49,000 to \$31,000. He stated that Larry has prepared the application for these funds using the televising & possible repairs of the sewer line on the lower end of town. Pat recommended either using Larry's recommendation or the engineering costs for the flood control study. Discussion followed.

Motion by Young, second by Feldmann to authorize Pat to submit the application for the State Community Disaster Program funds as completed by Larry Driscoll for the televising and possible repairs to the sewer line on the lower end of town. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

2009 & 2010 Street Improvement Program

Larry and Pat reviewed the proposed Street Program as prepared by Larry. Discussion followed on the needed Chamber Drive repairs. More discussion followed.

FINANCE**Pay Request No. 1 for Public Works Building**

Motion by Young, second by Harmon to approve Pay Request No. 1 for \$72,198.29 to Septagon Construction for the Public Works Building Project. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Pay Request No. 3 for Wastewater Treatment Plant Operations Building

Motion by Feldmann, second by Young to approve Pay Request No. 3 for \$146,775 to WRH, Inc. for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Operations Building. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Repairs to Dillon Pedestrian Bridge

Pat reviewed the request from a number of the Trail Committee members to accept FEMA funds and make the needed repairs to the Dillon Pedestrian Bridge to get the bridge open as soon as possible. Pat stated that FEMA will fund the repairs as long as the repairs are done in accordance with guidelines for an "historical" structure. Discussion followed.

Motion by Feldmann, second by Harmon to pursue FEMA funding to restore the Dillon Bridge to its pre-flood condition. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Proposed Trail Projects

Pat reviewed the request from the Trails Committee for the City to continue applying for grants for trails with the City taking the lead on the Highway 64 Trail and the County taking the lead on the Shaw Road Trail. Discussion followed. Any action on an Old Dubuque Road sidewalk or trail will be held until after the School bond issue. Larry suggested that the Public Works Department could continue the asphalt trail from Hardee's to Chamber Drive.

Resolution Approving the Hiring and Setting Salaries for Public Works, Water and Wastewater Departments Part Time Seasonal Employees for the Upcoming Summer and Fall 2009 Season

Motion by Young, second by Feldmann to approve **Resolution 2009-17** Approving the Hiring and Setting Salaries for Public Works, Water and Wastewater Departments Part Time Seasonal Employees for the Upcoming Summer and Fall 2009 Season. Roll Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Payment of Bills for the Month of March 2009

Motion by Feldmann, second by Reynolds to approve the payment of bills for the month of March, 2009. Discussion followed. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Meeting with Kirkwood College Regarding Sites for Tower

Pat reviewed the possible options for tower installation. Discussion followed.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Report on Improvements in Meadow Ridge 8th Addition

Pat reported that the improvements to the Meadow Ridge 8th Addition will be on upcoming agenda.

Anamosa Welcome Signs

Pat stated that the Chamber of Commerce has installed one of the three welcome signs to Anamosa.

Report on Senior Dining Program

Pat stated that there is a tentative meeting scheduled regarding the Senior Dining Program. When he receives confirmation on the meeting date and time he will notify the Council.

Report on Sidewalk Replacement on Second Street

Pat stated that the property owner on Second Street contacted him to request that the City do the work to install the sidewalk on her property.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS:

Bill Feldmann and Danny Young expressed displeasure with the recent letter to the editor regarding a personal attack on Larry Driscoll the Public Works Director and the Council and the fact that the author of the letter was not a resident of Anamosa as listed on the letter.

Adjournment

Motion by Young, second by Harmon to adjourn at 8:50 p.m. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Jon Hatcher, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tammy Coons, City Clerk