

The City Council of the City of Anamosa met in a Regular Session this October 12, 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 (arrived 6:01 p.m.) present. Absent: None. Mayor Jon Hatcher presided. Also present were Patrick Callahan, City Administrator, Tammy Coons, City Clerk; Larry Driscoll, Public Works Director; Scott Kelly, Parks & Recreation Director and Dave Stoklasa, Snyder & Associates. Guests Present - Addressing the Council: None. Mayor Jon Hatcher called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with a quorum present.

Council Minutes

Motion by Hansen, second by Feldmann to approve the minutes from the September 28, 2009 Regular Council meeting, with correction on completion date of Gabion Baskets included in contract with Arensdorf Excavating and the October 5, 2009 Special Meeting – Candidate Workshop. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Public Hearing Regarding Proposed Amendments to Chapter 165 Zoning Regulations of the Anamosa Code of Ordinances

Mayor Hatcher opened the public hearing regarding the proposed amendments to Chapter 165 Zoning Regulations of the Anamosa Code of Ordinances at 6:03 p.m.

Pat Callahan reviewed the proposed zoning ordinance amendments and stated that no written or verbal comments had been received. He also stated that the Planning & Zoning Commission is recommending approval of the proposed amendments. Discussion followed.

Motion by Hansen, second by Harmon to close the public hearing at 6:08 p.m. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

COMMUNITY BETTERMENT

Ordinance Amending Zoning Regulations (Chapter 165 of the City Code)

Motion by Feldmann, second by Harmon to approve the **second reading of Ordinance** amending Zoning Regulations (Chapter 165 of the City Code) changing front yard definition and diagram, permitting signs in C-1 District to extend within the City's right-of-way and increasing the size of home occupation signs with the deletion of #4 which limited asphalt driveways to "hot mix" asphalt. Discussion followed. Roll Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Resolution Setting Date for Public Hearing Regarding Proposed Alley Sale to Tom Swain

Pat reviewed the City's options for the proposed alley sale to Tom and Heather Swain. Discussion followed.

Motion by Feldmann, second by Hansen to approve **Resolution 2009-72** setting a date for public hearing regarding the sale of a portion of a vacated alley to Tom and Heather Swain for October 26, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. Roll Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Resolution Rescinding Resolution 2009-43 Regarding Waiver of Platting Requirements for Property on North Williams Street

Pat reviewed proposed resolution stating that Randy Caspers is withdrawing his request for waiver.

Motion by Feldmann, second by Young to approve **Resolution 2009-73** rescinding Resolution 2009-43 regarding waiver to platting requirements for property on N. Williams Street. Roll Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Ordinance Amending Chapter 150 of the City Code Regarding Trees in the City ROW

Pat read the proposed ordinance amending Chapter 150 of the City Code regarding trees in the City ROW. Discussion followed.

Motion by Feldmann, second by Harmon to approve the **second reading of Ordinance** amending Tree Regulations (Chapter 150 of the City Code) to require adjoining property owners to be responsible for cleanup of downed green trees, prohibiting planting of trees within the parking and requiring a 6-foot setback for trees planted on private property. Discussion followed. Roll Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Feldmann, second by Young to approve the **waiver of third reading of Ordinance 861** amending Tree Regulations (Chapter 150 of the City Code) to require adjoining property owners to be responsible for cleanup of downed green trees, prohibiting planting of trees within the parking and requiring a 6-foot setback for trees planted on private property. Roll Vote. 1-Nay, Swisher. All Remaining Ayes. Motion Carried.

Ordinance Amending Landscaping Requirements Under Chapter 167 of the City Code

Motion by Young, second by Harmon to approve the **second reading of Ordinance** amending landscaping requirements under Chapter 167 of the City Code in light of the enactment of ordinance prohibiting the planting of trees within the parking. Roll Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Hansen, second by Feldmann to approve the **waiver of the third reading of Ordinance 862** amending landscaping requirements under Chapter 167 of the City Code in light of the enactment of ordinance prohibiting the planting of trees within the parking. Roll Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

PARKS AND RECREATION:

Report on Parks and Recreation Board Meeting on October 7th

Scott Kelly, P&R Director reviewed the LOT expenditures to date within his departments. Scott also reviewed the proposed purchase of 300 folding chairs for the Lawrence Community Center and the use of LOT funds to cover the expenditure.

Scott explained his request to continue the employment of the Pool Manager, Lyle Theisen for fifteen additional hours to complete the outstanding maintenance work at the pool.

Scott explained the need for sandblasting the pool and two price quotes received to complete this job. He also reviewed the needed repairs to the stone pillars at the pool. He then reviewed the additional repairs that are needed at the Lawrence Community such as the whirlpool repair and the replacement of a furnace. Discussion followed.

Pat Callahan reviewed the P&R Boards recommendation to approve the agreement with the American Red Cross to use the LCC during an emergency. He also explained that the P&R Board is still in the process of reviewing the proposed intended use contract between the Chamber and the City for an electronic sign at the LCC.

Purchase of Folding Chairs for the Lawrence Community Center

Motion by Hansen, second by Feldmann to approve the purchase of 300 folding chairs for the Lawrence Community Center from Welter Storage. Roll Vote. 1-Nay, Young. All Remaining Ayes. Motion Carried.

Resolution Approving the Continued Employment of Seasonal Employee for the Anamosa Aqua Court

Motion by Feldmann, second by Harmon to approve **Resolution 2009-77** approving the continued employment of seasonal employee for the Anamosa Aqua Court. Lyle Theisen, Pool Manager. Roll Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Sandblasting the Swimming Pool

Motion by Feldmann, second by Young to accept the low price quote for the sandblasting and painting of the Swimming Pool. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Proposed Agreement with American Red Cross to use the LCC as an Emergency Shelter

Motion by Young, second by Reynolds to approve the agreement between the City of Anamosa and the American Red Cross to use the LCC as an emergency shelter. Discussion followed. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Intended Use Agreement for an Electronic Sign Between the City of Anamosa and the Chamber

Discussion was held on the proposed electronic sign at the LCC and advertising on the sign.

PUBLIC SAFETY**Beer and Liquor Licenses**

Motion by Young, second by Feldmann to approve the following liquor license renewals:

1. Anamosa Bowling Center – Renewal of Class C Liquor License with Outdoor Service and Sunday Sales Privileges.
2. Anamosa Megamart, LLC – Renewal of Class B Beer Permit with Sunday Sales Privileges.
3. Tucker's Tavern – Renewal of Class C Liquor License with Sunday Sales Privileges.

All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Appointment to the Anamosa Fire Department

Motion by Young, second by Reynolds to approve the appointment of Lance Handel as firefighter for the Anamosa Fire Department. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC WORKS**Report on Rosemary Lane Lift Station**

Dave Stoklasa stated that the Plans & Specifications on the Rosemary Lane Lift Station had been submitted to the IDNR approximately 2-3 weeks ago. He stated that the public hearing on the bids & specs will be held until the approval of the plans have been received from the IDNR and the construction permit has been issued.

Report on Water Well No. 6 Project

Dave Stoklasa stated that the plans for Water Well No. 6 project had been submitted to the IDNR for the drilling of the well over month ago. He stated that the water main plans would be submitted to IDNR soon. The well house pump plans have not yet been started. Dave stated that they are waiting for environmental clearance for IDNR for the project, which will hopefully be approved by the end of November, after which, the DNR will approve the construction permit. Dave also stated that City will be able to apply for additional IJOBS funding for project depending on the timing. Larry Driscoll suggested that the City apply for IJOBS funding for the Well, but not the water main.

Report on the Flood Control Study and Possible Council Work Session

Pat reviewed the recent meeting with Snyder's on the Flood Control Study and suggested that the Council hold a special work session to review the study results.

Purchase of Pick Up Truck for the Wastewater Department

Pat stated that this purchase is already included in the current budget. Larry stated that he is looking a ¾ ton demo truck or a 4-door truck. He will be bringing back options for purchase, either a used truck or state bids.

Collection of Refuse from City Street Instead of City Alleys in Residential Areas

Pat reviewed a suggestion made to him to have refuse picked up from City streets instead of City alleys in the residential areas, as the alleys were not designed for heavy truck traffic. Discussion followed. Pat offered to draft an ordinance on this and have it ready for Council consideration and get comments from the licensed refuse collectors.

Motion by Feldmann, second by Reynolds to authorize the City Administrator to draft an ordinance regarding requiring the refuse haulers to pick up refuse from City streets instead of alleys in the residential areas.

FINANCE**Resolution Authorizing the Calling and Refunding of the 1999 Water Revenue Notes**

Motion by Feldmann, second by Young to approve **Resolution 2009-78** providing for redemption of Water Revenue Notes, dated April 1, 1999. Roll Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Report on Refinancing of the City's General Obligation Notes and Loans

Pat stated that this process has been started, but the bonding attorney has given no recommendation on the City receiving a bond rating. Discussion followed.

Development Agreement with Eagle View Land Development Company

Pat stated that he has met with developer, Bryce Ricklefs and the Bonding Attorney on a proposed development agreement. The Bonding Attorney is recommending a TIF Grant in the form of a forgivable loan in four stages. Pat said that the public hearing will be held on November 9, 2009. Larry Driscoll suggested adding a storm sewer requirement and the receipt of as-built designs in the agreement.

University of Iowa Urban Planning Department Agreement

Pat stated that the U of I students will be meeting with the City and boards tomorrow at the Library regarding their assistance on the Downtown Development Committee and also assistance with the Trail Planning.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Housing Trust Fund

Pat stated that he had spoken to Ed Raber of Washington, Iowa regarding the Housing Trust Fund and that the next application for this program is due in October, 2010 and that there is no State match for this program available until 2011.

Mudslide on Private Property

Pat reported on a mudslide that happened on private property and that he is contacting the NRCS on possible design assistance.

Upcoming Meeting with IDOT on Hwy 151 and Old Dubuque Road Intersection

Pat stated that the IDOT is holding an informal meeting on October 21st from 5 – 6:30 p.m. at the Lawrence Community Center on possible options for improvements to this intersection.

Response to Letter on Flash Flood Event

Pat stated that he had responded in writing to the Dearborn letter on the flash flood event and that it was included in the Council packet.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS:

Report on Boards and Commissions

Bill Feldmann reported that Jones County Tourism has meeting scheduled for November 12, 2009 at Camp Couregeous. Danny Young stated that the Local Access Commission meeting will be held on October 14, 2009 at 5:30 pm.

Joint Meeting with the City of Monticello

Pat asked if the Council could meet on Monday, November 30th with the Monticello City Council. No objections were voiced.

Adjournment

Motion by Young, second by Harmon to adjourn at 7:26 p.m. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Jon Hatcher, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tammy Coons, City Clerk