

The City Council of the City of Anamosa met in Regular Session April 25, 2011 in the Council Chambers at the Anamosa City Hall at 6:00 p.m. with Cody Shaffer, Bill Feldmann, Chuck Smith, Andy Bowers, Brady Reynolds and Mike Dearborn present. Absent: None. Mayor Dale Barnes presided. Also present were; Alan Johnson, City Administrator; Tammy Coons, City Clerk; Larry Driscoll, Public Works Director; Jeff Swisher, Fire Chief; Scott Kelly, P&R Director and Bob Simonson, Police Chief. Guests Present: Randy Williams, MMS Consultants. 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 Shaffer to approve the minutes from the April 11, 2011 Regular Council meeting. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Presentations

Randy Williams, MMS Consultants – Report on Bids for STP Street Project

Randy Williams of MMS Consultants addressed the City Council stating that the Iowa Department of Transportation bid opening for the 2011 STP Street Project was held on April 19, 2011 and Alan Johnson and Larry Driscoll were in attendance. The low bid was received from LL Pelling, Co. in the amount of \$1,199,604.78 which was below the engineer's estimate of \$1,319,550.40. IDOT handles the contracting prior to the Council review and approval. The IDOT will be sending the bid documents and contract documents to the City after their review. Randy requested that the City send a copy of the information to them. The other two bidders were Mathy Construction with a bid of \$1,297,018 and Tschiggfrie with a bid of \$1,558,638.

COMMUNITY BETTERMENT

Tree Advisory Board's Request for a Small Park Area

Alan Johnson stated that he had met with Jim Christiansen of the Tree Advisory Board who expressed the Board's request that the City consider the installation of a small park area along Old Dubuque Road and Division Street and keep this area in mind as sidewalks and roadwork is completed along Old Dubuque Road. Discussion followed.

Refurbishment of Council Chambers

Al stated that per Council direction from a previous meeting, he researched prices on new carpet and ceiling tiles. He reviewed the prices that he received from other businesses outside of Anamosa for new carpet and ceiling tile for the Council Chambers. In summation he stated that as the price quotes indicated, the local businesses were less expensive than the out-of-town businesses. Discussion followed. Al stated that the carpet (with installation) and the ceiling tiles (without installation) should total around \$2,550.00.

Motion by Feldmann, second by Reynolds to authorize the City Administrator with assistance from the Public Works Director to develop a plan and authorize the purchase of carpet and ceiling tiles from the local businesses as quoted. 2-Nays, Bowers and Smith. All Remaining Ayes. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Liquor Licenses

Motion by Cody, second by Reynolds to approve the renewal of Class C Native Wine Permit, Outdoor Service and Sunday Sales Privileges for Daly Creek Vinyard and Winery. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Ordinance Restricting the Possession of Firearms on City Property

Motion by Feldmann, second by Shaffer to approve the **first reading of Ordinance** amending Chapter 41 of the City Code (Public Health and Safety) restricting the possession of firearms on City property. Roll Vote. 1-Nay, Bowers. All Remaining Ayes. Motion Carried.

Quotes Received for T8 Lighting at the Anamosa Fire Department

Al reviewed the price quotes received for the T8 lighting at the Anamosa Fire Department. He stated that

three quotes were received and Delancey Electric was the low bidder in the amount of \$6,660.00. Al stated that he, Larry Driscoll and Jeff Swisher had reviewed the quotes received and are recommending accepting the low quote from Delancey Electric.

Motion by Feldmann, second by Reynolds to award the job to Delancey Electric with the low quote of \$6,660.00. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC WORKS

Lease of Property for City Use for Disposal/Storage from the City Brush Pile Site for 2011

Al reviewed the previous request from the City Council that he and Larry Driscoll discuss a possible lease option with Stone City Quarry. Al reviewed the results of that meeting with Mike Deutmeyer and also the meeting with Greg Norlin, stating that Norlin Site lease is \$1,400.00 less per year than the Stone City Quarry Site lease. Al and Larry are recommending that the Council continue with a lease from Greg Norlin for Norlin Quarry Site. Al stated that he will reword the agreement to specifically state that the City is allowed to burn at the quarry. He stated that Greg Norlin was in agreement with the City burning at the site, but he did not write it clearly in the proposed agreement. Discussion followed.

Motion by Feldmann, second by Reynolds to pursue the approval of agreement with Greg Norlin for the Norlin for the Norlin Quarry Site for 2011. 2-Nays, Shaffer and Dearborn. All Remaining Ayes. Motion Carried.

Maintenance & Repair Agreement with IDOT for Primary Roads in Anamosa

Motion by Feldmann, second by Shaffer to approve renewal of 5-year maintenance and repair agreement with the Iowa Department of Transportation for primary roads within the City of Anamosa. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Additional Water Storage Site

Al stated that he placed this item on the agenda for discussion after the last Council meetings discussions. He stated that the Tower Road Site was the last site that the Council was considering in the fall of 2010. Al stated that the Water Flow Study will not be completed until September, 2011 and per his discussion with Tracy Scebold of the Iowa Finance Authority, the IJOBS grant for the water project is not tied to a specific timeline, as is the Wastewater IJOBS grant. Tracy stated that the City could wait to determine the site until after the Water Flow Study is completed and it would not affect the IJOBS funding. Al did further explain that in order to receive the IJOBS funding, the City would be required to use an SRF loan for the City's share of the project and the SRF loan requires that the IDNR sign off on the proposed water storage project. He stated that the IDNR is more concerned with water quality as opposed to water storage as it relates to economic growth or fire protection. Al stated that when the City was originally considering a 1 million gallon storage project, the IDNR would not sign off on the project, but the Council has reduced the proposed water storage to 500,000 gallon. Al contacted Howard R. Green and they will be contacting the IDNR regarding the lesser size water storage for their opinion. Discussion followed.

FINANCE:

Resolution Approving the Hiring and Setting Salaries for Seasonal Employees for the Aqua Court and the Parks & Recreation Department

Bill Feldmann asked Scott what the Parks & Recreation Board's goal was with annual increase for returning staff and if he had checked with other communities to see how our hourly wages compare. Scott Kelly stated that the P&R Board's goal was to keep the staff returning each season and this was an incentive for employee retention. Scott also stated that he had checked with other communities and compared wages.

Motion by Bowers, second by Shaffer to approve **Resolution 2011-09** approving the hiring and setting salaries of seasonal part time employees for the Anamosa Aqua court and the Parks and Recreation Department for the upcoming season. Roll Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Payment of Bills for the Month April, 2011

Motion by Feldmann, second by Shaffer to approve the payment of bills for the month of April, 2011. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

House Numbering Ordinance

Al reported that situations relating to serving of notices and emergency services have come about due to multiple houses/residences in Anamosa not being numbered on the residence as required by ordinance. Al stated that a possible article in the newspaper may remind property owners of this requirement and the importance of having the house numbers in place.

Complaints on Citizens not Cleaning Up While Walking Dogs

Al stated that he has received several complaints regarding people walking their dogs in City the right-of-way areas and also on people's lawns and not cleaning up after them. Discussion followed.

MAYOR & COUNCIL

Reports on Council Boards and Commission

Mike Dearborn stated that the P&R Board held a special meeting to review the recently hired seasonal employees.

Bill Feldmann reported that the E911 Board is working on acquiring funding for the new narrow band requirement implementation.

Brady Reynolds reported that he had received positive comments about the improved sound for the Council meetings since moving from the Library. He also stated that the link to a website that allows viewing of taped meetings is now available on the City website.

Adjournment

Motion by Shaffer, second by Feldmann to adjourn at 6:48 p.m. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Dale Barnes, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tammy Coons, City Clerk