

The City Council of the City of Anamosa met in Regular Session on January 28, 2013 in the Council Chambers at City Hall at 6:00 p.m. with Cody Shaffer, Bill Feldmann, Chuck Smith, Andy Bowers, Richard Stivers and Mike Dearborn present. Absent: None. Mayor Dale Barnes presided. Also present were; Alan Johnson, City Administrator; Tammy Coons, City Clerk; Kate Bullen, Librarian; Scott Kelly, Parks & Rec Director; and Bob Simonson, Police Chief. Guests Present Addressing the Council: Eric Luchtenburg; Dusty Embree, JCED; Joe Yedlik, ISU Extension; Bob Hatcher, Jones County Tourism; and Becky Dirkschaugsted, Anamosa Chamber. Mayor Barnes called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with a quorum present.

Public with Business on Items not on the Agenda

Eric Luchtenburg addressed the Council regarding his previous request to preserve the empty City lot to the east of the Library, using it for an educational park. He stressed how this type of learning can change people's lives and create balance.

Council Minutes

Motion by Feldmann, second by Shaffer to approve the minutes from the January 14, 2013 Regular Council meeting and the January 16, 2013 Special Council meeting. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Public Hearing

Mayor Barnes opened the public hearing on the proposed conveyance of the east half of vacated Sales Avenue lying between blocks 6 and 7 in the Plat of Oakland and that portion of the vacated half street lying north of the west 117 feet of block 6 and the east half of vacated Sales Avenue lying between blocks 6 and 7 in the Plat of Oakland to Kathleen Harms at 6:06 p.m.

Alan Johnson stated he has not received any written or verbal comments on the proposed conveyance. No comments were offered by the public present.

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

Presentations

Organizations Requesting Funding from the City for Fiscal Year 2013-14

Dusty Embree, Jones County Economic Development addressed the Council reviewing their request of \$8,738 (\$2.00 per capita) for Fiscal Year 2013-14.

Joe Yedlik, ISU Extension addressed the Council reviewing their request for \$500.00 for Fiscal Year 2013-14 for the Summer Discovery Camps.

Bob Hatcher, Jones County Tourism addressed the Council reviewing their request for \$1,276.00 (per capita) and an additional \$15,000 from the Hotel/Motel Tax for Fiscal Year 2013-14. Bob also reviewed their previous year's activities. He stated that all of the City's contribution would be used for advertising and redesigning the website.

Becky Dirkschaugsted, Anamosa Chamber addressed the Council reviewing their request for \$10,000 in Hotel/Motel Tax for Fiscal Year 2013-14. Becky stated that the funds would be used to replace the Main Street Christmas lights.

City Departments Requesting Hotel/Motel Tax Funding from the City for Fiscal Year 2013-14

Scott Kelly, Parks & Rec Director addressed the Council reviewing their request for \$22,000 in Hotel/Motel Tax for the Lawrence Community Center.

Kate Bullen, Librarian addressed the Council reviewing their request for \$5,000 in Hotel/Motel Tax for the Anamosa Library. Kate stated that these funds would be used for the purchase of two dedicated computers, a table and chairs and a one-year subscription to Ancestry Library Addition, which provides access to national and international genealogical resources.

COMMUNITY BETTERMENT:

Resolution Approving the Conveyance of east half of Vacated Sales Avenue Lying Between Blocks 6 and 7 in the Plat of Oakland and that Portion of the Vacated Half Street Lying North of the West 117 Feet of Block 6 and the East Half Vacated Sales Avenue Lying Between Blocks 6 and 7 in the Plat of Oakland to Kathleen Harms

Motion by Bowers, second by Feldmann to approve **Resolution 2013-03** Approving the Conveyance of east half of Vacated Sales Avenue Lying Between Blocks 6 and 7 in the Plat of Oakland and that Portion of the Vacated Half Street Lying North of the West 117 Feet of Block 6 and the East Half Vacated Sales Avenue Lying Between Blocks 6 and 7 in the Plat of Oakland to Kathleen Harms. Roll Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Ordinance Amending Chapter 91 – Water Meters of the Anamosa City Code

Alan reviewed the reason for the amendment to the ordinance, stating that this action updates the code to follow the meter fees that the Council had already approved.

Motion by Bowers, second by Feldmann to approve the **first reading of Ordinance No. 889** amending Chapter 91 – Water Meters of the Anamosa City Code. Roll Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Dearborn, second by Feldmann to approve the **waiver of the second and third readings of Ordinance No. 889** amending Chapter 91 – Water Meters of the Anamosa City Code. Roll Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Land Purchase Offer – Old DOT Property

Alan reviewed the most recent version of the first offer to purchase the Old DOT property located to the east of the Anamosa Library. Alan also stated that earlier this afternoon he had received a verbal offer of \$30,000 to purchase the property “as is”, but that the purchase would have to include the portion of the property that the previous Council had “reserved” for the Anamosa Library. Discussion followed. Bill Feldmann reviewed the history of the property, the amount of funds the City had invested in it and the appraised value of the property. He stated that he felt the City should at least receive the approximate \$50,000 that was already invested in the property. More discussion followed. Alan noted that the first offer is what needed to be acted on at this meeting. Discussion was held on the impossibility of the Council being able to meet the timelines stated in the first offer, if they would chose to accept the offer.

Motion by Feldmann, second by Smith to deny the first offer to purchase the old DOT property. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Appointment to Fill Vacancy on the Anamosa Library Board of Trustees

Motion by Dearborn, second by Shaffer to appoint Lynn Decious to fill a vacancy on the Anamosa Library Board of Trustees. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Reappointment of Adrian Knuth as City Attorney and Approving Hourly Fee

Motion by Feldmann, second by Andy to approve the reappointment of Adrian Knuth as City Attorney and approving the hourly fee of \$150. Discussion followed. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Renewal of Beer and Liquor Licenses

Motion by Feldmann, second by Dearborn to approve the renewal of Class C Beer Permit with Sunday Sales Privileges for Anamosa Travel Mart, Inc. – dba Tapken’s Convenience Plus. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Resolution Setting Public Hearing on Complaint of Sale of Tobacco Products to Underage Persons

Motion by Feldmann, second by Dearborn to approve **Resolution 2013-04** setting public hearing on complaint of sale of tobacco products to underage persons. Roll Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Purchase of Skid Steer Loader for the WWTP

Discussion was held on the proposed skid loader purchase for the WWTP and the five bids received.

Motion by Feldmann, second by Stivers to approve the purchase of the Case SV300 in the amount of \$45,550 from Scherrman's Implement. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

FINANCE:

Pay Request No. 20 to WRH, Inc. aka Wendler Construction for the WWTP Flood Mitigation Project

Motion by Feldmann, second by Dearborn to approve Pay Request No. 20 in the amount of \$ 79,817.31 to WRH, Inc. aka Wendler Construction for the WWTP Flood Mitigation Project. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Payment of Bills for the Month of January, 2013

Motion by Feldmann, second by Dearborn to approve the payment of bills as listed for the month of January, 2013. Discussion followed. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Alan reminded the Council that the first budget meeting will be this Monday, February 4th at 6:00 p.m.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

EMA/E911

Bill Feldmann reported that they are still moving forward with the AFG grants with narrow banding.

Adjournment

Motion by Feldmann, second by Bowers to adjourn at 6:45 p.m. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Dale Barnes, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tammy Coons, City Clerk