

The City Council of the City of Anamosa met in Regular Session this August 25, 2014 in the Council Chambers at City Hall at 6:00 p.m. with Cody Shaffer, Bill Feldmann, Chuck Smith, Brady Reynolds, Richard Stivers and Mike Dearborn present. Absent: None. Mayor Dale Barnes presided. Also present were Alan Johnson, City Administrator; Tammy Coons, City Clerk; Greg Carpenter, Streets Supervisor; Rebecca Vernon, Library Director and Bob Simonson, Police Chief. Guests Present Addressing the Council: Scott Fortner. Mayor Dale Barnes called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll call was taken with a quorum present.

**Public with Business with the Council on Items not on the Agenda**

Scott Fortner addressed the Council concerning a dog that previously resided in Anamosa that had bitten a little girl on December 2, 2012 and was never removed from the City limits as per the City Ordinance. This dog bit his daughter on January 27, 2014. Scott asked why the Police Department did not follow through and remove the dog after the first dog bite. Discussion followed. It was recommended that Scott meet with Alan Johnson, the City Administrator to discuss this situation as this was the first time that the Council was made aware of this situation.

**Council Minutes**

Motion by Stivers, second by Shaffer to approve the minutes from the August 11, 2014 Regular Council meeting. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**PUBLIC HEARING: NONE**

**COMMUNITY BETTERMENT:**

**Street Closures Request from the Anamosa Chamber for the 2014 Pumpkinfest**

Motion by Feldmann, second by Dearborn to approve the street closures request as submitted by the Anamosa Chamber for the 2014 Pumpkinfest. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**Traffic Signals within the City Limits of Anamosa**

Mike Dearborn stated that he had requested that this item be placed on the agenda. Mike stated that he has been receiving more complaints regarding the traffic signals in Anamosa and how they are functioning. He stated he would like to see the traffic signal at 1<sup>st</sup> Street and Scott Street changed to flashing red on 1<sup>st</sup> Street and flashing yellow on Scott Street. Greg Carpenter and Alan Johnson explained that Greg had fixed the signal there to stop changing intermittently on its own. Discussion followed on all the traffic signals in Anamosa. Alan Johnson explained that the traffic signals on Highway 64 could not be removed or changed without approval from the Iowa Dept. of Transportation who will require a traffic study to be completed before they would consider changes. This traffic study is very costly. Mike Dearborn explained that he has seen the three traffic signals on Main Street change intermittently on their own without any traffic tripping the change. This happens in the later evening hours. More discussion followed on having the City of Marion or Cedar Rapids assist with the possible traffic signal changes.

Motion by Feldmann, second by Shaffer to authorize Alan Johnson, City Administrator and Greg Carpenter, Streets Supervisor to pursue the costs to reprogram the 1<sup>st</sup> Street and Scott Street traffic signal to flashing yellow on Scott Street and flashing red on 1<sup>st</sup> Street, while still maintaining the pedestrian crosswalk. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**PUBLIC SAFETY: NONE**

**PUBLIC WORKS: NONE**

**FINANCE:**

**Partial Pay Request to Cy's Tree Service for Tree Removal Services**

Alan Johnson reviewed the status of the contract completion with Cy's Tree Service for tree removal. He stated that the majority of the work completed to date has been in the Riverside Cemetery. The Cemetery was reopened today to the public.

Motion by Feldmann, second by Dearborn to approve the partial pay request to Cy's Tree Service for the tree/stump removal from the June 30, 2014 storm event in the amount of \$50,000.00. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Placement of Funds in Various Depositories as Approved by the Resolution**

Motion by Feldmann, second by Reynolds to approve **Resolution 2014-27** Authorizing the placement of funds in various depositories as approved by the resolution. Roll Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**Resolution Hiring and Setting Salary for Part Time Lawrence Community Center Employee and Adjusting Wage and Setting Salary for Current Part Time Lawrence Community Center Employee for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2015**

Motion by Shaffer, second by Dearborn to approve **Resolution 2014-28** Hiring and setting salary for part time Lawrence Community Center employee and adjusting wage and setting salary for current part time Lawrence Community Center employee for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2015. Roll Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**Amendment No. 1 to Engineering Services Agreement – 2013 Flood Levee Permit**

Discussion was held on the permitting process to date for the Flood Levee.

Motion by Feldmann, second by Reynolds to approve the Amendment No. 1 to the Engineering Services Agreement with Snyder & Associates for 2013 Flood Levee Permit increasing the maximum fee from \$30,000 to \$50,000. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**Payment of Bills for the Month of August, 2014**

Motion by Feldmann, second by Dearborn to approve the payment of bills for month of August, 2014. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:**

Alan stated again that Riverside Cemetery is now open to the public again. He would like to thank the public for their patience and understanding during the tree removal process from the June 30, 2014 storm event.

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL:**

Richard Stivers asked if the City is moving forward with blockage issue on the Buffalo Creek located under the bridge. Alan stated that he is working on the paperwork to apply for the grant to remove the debris that was provided to the City by the County Engineer.

**Adjournment**

Motion by Feldmann, second by Shaffer to adjourn at 6:47 p.m. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

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Dale Barnes, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Tammy Coons, City Clerk