

The City Council of the City of Anamosa met in Regular Session this September 22, 2014 in the Council Chambers at City Hall at 6:00 p.m. with Bill Feldmann, Chuck Smith, Brady Reynolds and Richard Stivers present. Absent: Cody Shaffer and Mike Dearborn. Mayor Dale Barnes presided. Also present were Alan Johnson, City Administrator; Tammy Coons, City Clerk; Greg Carpenter, Streets Supervisor; Rebecca Vernon, Library Director; Jim Henson Water Supervisor and Bob Simonson, Police Chief. Guests Present Addressing the Council: Scott Fortner, Doug Edel, Mike Whitney, Tammy Luchtenburg, Delores Rickels, Lynette Rowan and Lorene Lent. 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 regarding his previous concerns on his daughter getting bit by a pit bull and asked what the Council intended to do about the situation. Discussion followed. Alan Johnson stated that there was nothing for the Council to address at this time.

Council Minutes

Motion by Feldmann, second by Reynolds to approve the minutes from the September 8, 2014 Regular Council meeting. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC HEARING: NONE

COMMUNITY BETTERMENT:

Additional Street Closure Request for the Anamosa Pumpkinfest

Doug Edel and Mike Whitney addressed the Council regarding the Chamber's additional street closure request for Walworth Avenue from S. Garnavillo Street to the bottom of the hill from 6 to 7 pm on Friday October 3rd for a "pumpkin roll". Discussion followed on the cleanup. Greg Carpenter, Streets Supervisor asked if the Chamber wanted the City to set out barricades during the day for the volunteers to set up. Mike Whitney stated yes, they would do that. Chief Bob Simonson offered to contact the one residential property owner located in the closed area.

Motion by Feldmann, second by Reynolds to approve the additional street closure request as submitted by the Anamosa Chamber for Friday, Oct. 3rd from 6 to 7 pm. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Request to Remove No Parking Signs on the West Side of S. Williams Street

Tammy Luchtenburg addressed the Council requesting that the No Parking Signs on S. Williams Street be removed and the homeowners be allowed to park on both sides of the street. She stated that she has spoken to most of the residents on S. Williams Street and received signatures from them to remove the No Parking Signs. She stated that her second choice would be to move the No Parking Signs to the east side of the street. Tammy stated that the street did not have a lot traffic and she did not feel that there have been any traffic issues with parking previously being allowed on both sides of the street. Her daughter lives next door to her on S. Williams Street and has twins. With the no parking in front of that house one of the babies has to be left in the car across the street while she brings the other baby to the house. She stated that there is a driveway in the alley behind the house, but during the winter it is hard to get out with the snow plows pushing the snow against the driveway off the alley. Discussion followed. Lynette Rowan, Delores Rickels and Lorene Lent addressed the Council expressing support of Tammy's request to remove the No Parking Signs on east side of S. Williams Street. Discussion followed.

Motion by Feldmann, second by Stivers to table any action on this request until the full Council was present to discuss it. 3-Ayes, Feldmann, Smith and Stivers. 1-Nay, Reynolds. 2-Absent, Shaffer and Dearborn. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Traffic Signals Located in the City Limits

Greg Carpenter, Streets Supervisor addressed the council regarding possible changes in the traffic control system. He stated that City of Marion had completed a cursory study of the traffic signals and equipment last week and some problems were identified in the boxes and will need to be diagnosed further. He stated that in regards to the Council's previous request to change the traffic signal at Scott Street and 1st Street to flashing red and flashing yellow would be possible but the pedestrian crosswalks would not work and as such would create a safety hazard. He did state that it might be feasible to program to change the lights to flashing red and yellow during night hours only. Greg stated that the City of Marion offered a 28E Agreement with Anamosa on "as needed" basis as they have for other smaller towns. He also stated that with that 28E Agreement the City of Marion would provide CEU classes and equipment rental. Discussion followed. Greg stated that per hour labor cost would be \$50.00 per hour plus equipment. More discussion followed.

Resolution Approving 28E Agreement with the City of Marion for Traffic Signals

Motion by Feldmann, second by Stivers to approve **Resolution 2014-30** approving the 28E Agreement between the City of Marion, Iowa and the City of Anamosa, Iowa. Roll Vote. 2-Absent, Shaffer and Dearborn. All Remaining Ayes. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC WORKS: NONE

FINANCE:

Resolution Approving the Official Iowa Department of Transportation Financial Report for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2014

Motion by Feldmann, second by Reynolds to approve **Resolution 2014-31** approving the Official Iowa Department of Transportation Financial Report for City Streets and Parking for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2014. Discussion followed. Roll Vote. 2-Absent, Shaffer and Dearborn. All Remaining Ayes. Motion Carried.

Resolution Approving the Hiring of Full Time Water Operator Trainee and Setting Salary for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2015

Alan Johnson stated that had received 17 applications for the position and which applicant was being recommended for hire.

Motion by Feldmann, second by Reynolds to approve **Resolution 2014-32** approving the hiring of full time Water Operator Trainee and setting salary for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2015. Roll Vote. 2-Absent, Shaffer and Dearborn. All Remaining Ayes. Motion Carried.

Hiring Wastewater Operator

Alan explained that he is not requesting any action on this item at this time as the applicant that was being recommended withdrew his application today due to personal reasons. Alan stated that they would continue on with the interview process.

Partial Pay Request for Cy's Tree Service

Alan reviewed the partial pay request to Cy's Tree Service in the amount of \$70,000 for the tree clean up from the June 30, 2014 storm event. Discussion followed.

Motion by Feldmann, second by Stivers to approve the partial pay request to Cy's Tree Service in the amount of \$70,000 for the tree clean up from the June 30, 2014 storm event. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Payment of Bills for the Month of September, 2014

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

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Alan Johnson reported that the Anamosa High School sent an email today requesting the normal street closure for the Anamosa Homecoming parade for Thursday Oct. 9th.

Alan stated that the American Legion will be attending the October 27th Council meeting to continue discussions on possible options for the flag holders on the street light poles.

Alan also informed the Council that police officer Tony Shaw had submitted his resignation and that they would be moving forward the hiring process for his replacement.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL: NONE

Adjournment

Motion by Stivers, second by Feldmann to adjourn at 6:55 p.m. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Dale Barnes, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tammy Coons, City Clerk