

The City Council of the City of Anamosa met in Regular Session this April 13, 2015 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; Dan Smith, Wastewater Supervisor; Rebecca Vernon, Library Director and Bob Simonson, Police Chief. Guests Present Addressing the Council: Ernest Farris, Judy Rose, Jim Miner, Mike Shaffer, Randy Day, Austin McCray, Walmart Manager, Nancy Shaffer, Andy Bowers and Dick Dearborn. 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 not on the Agenda

Ernest Farris addressed the Council questioning the zoning of City alleys and the garbage pick-up not being allowed on residential alleys. He also questioned why home owners are “squatting” on City alleys and ROWs. He questioned why the City placed a “Slow – Children at Play” sign in the alley behind his home. Ernest asked why dog barking complaints are not addressed.

Judy Rose addressed the Council stating that she had met with the City Clerk a week ago regarding the collection of garbage and waste at her neighbor’s house. The City Clerk called the Anamosa Police Chief and spoke to him that day and shared her request to ask her neighbor to clean up the garbage. Judy stated that still has not been addressed with the property owner. She requested that this be taken care of as soon as possible.

Council Minutes

Motion by Feldmann, second by Shaffer to approve the minutes from the March 23, 2015 Regular Council meeting. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

PROCLAMATIONS:

Food Allergy Awareness Week

Mayor Barnes proclaimed May 10-16, 2015 as Food Allergy Awareness Week.

COMMUNITY BETTERMENT:

Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 814 of the Code of Ordinances, City of Anamosa, Iowa, Repealing Provisions Inconsistent Therein (Electric Franchise Fee)

Motion by Feldmann, second by Reynolds to approve the **Third Reading of Ordinance No. 899** amending Ordinance No. 814 of the Code of Ordinances, City of Anamosa, Iowa, repealing provisions inconsistent therein. Roll Vote. 1-Nay, Stivers. All Remaining Ayes. Motion Carried.

Ordinance Repealing and Replacing Section 110.07 of the Anamosa City Code of Ordinances (Natural Gas Franchise Fee)

Motion by Feldmann, second by Reynolds to approve the **Third Reading of Ordinance No. 900** Repealing and replacing Section 110.07 of the Anamosa City Code of Ordinances. Roll Vote. 1-Nay, Stivers. All Remaining Ayes. Motion Carried.

Changing May 25, 2015 Regular Council Meeting Date

Motion by Dearborn, second by Feldmann to move the May 25, 2015 Regular Council meeting at 6:00 p.m. to Tuesday, May 26, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. due to the Memorial Day Holiday. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Beer and Liquor Licenses: None

Request to Hold Memorial Day Services and Parade

Motion by Feldmann, second by Dearborn to approve the request from Local Veterans Organizations to hold Memorial Day Services and a parade on Monday, May 25, 2015. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Renewal of Waste Collection Licenses

Motion by Feldmann, second by Reynolds to approve the renewal of waste hauler permit for BFI Waste Services, LLC DBA Republic Services. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC WORKS:

City Providing Parking Lot Sweeping Services to Private Entities

Gregg Carpenter, Streets Superintendent addressed the Council asking if the Council members knew how long the City had been providing this service. Gregg stated that according to several City employees who have been employed by the City for 14-18 years that it has been provided since they have started.

Gregg then reviewed the recent history of this service and his interactions with local businesses. He stated that the local businesses appreciate this service and it also creates revenue for the General Fund. He also stated that there are no local contractors that provide this service and as such the City is providing a needed service to the Community. Discussion followed.

Council member Brady Reynolds read a synopsis of the conversation that the City Administrator had with Rick Grimm, JRMC Maintenance Supervisor in support of the sweeping services. More discussion followed.

Several citizens present at the meeting addressed the Council expressing concerns, each making their own points, over the City providing this service – Jim Miner, Mike Shaffer, Randy Day, Nancy Shaffer, Dick Dearborn and Judy Rose.

Austin McCray, Walmart Manager addressed the Council voicing his support of this service. He stated that he believes it is a positive thing to pay the City for the service.

Andy Bowers addressed the Council stating that the fee schedule that was approved by the Council back in 2010 when he was a Council member was for sharing services with other municipalities, not private entities. More discussion followed.

Motion by Dearborn, second by Stivers to discontinue the practice immediately of the City providing sweeping services to any private entities. 2-Nays, Feldmann and Reynolds. All Remaining Ayes. Motion Carried.

FINANCE:

Resolution Hiring and Setting Salary of Part Time Seasonal Employee for the Parks Maintenance Department

Motion by Feldmann, second by Shaffer to approve **Resolution 2015-14** approving the hiring and setting salary of seasonal part time employee for the Parks Maintenance Department for the upcoming season. Roll Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Resolution Hiring and Setting Salary for Police Officer for the Anamosa Police Department for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2016

Motion by Feldmann, second by Dearborn to approve **Resolution 2015-15** hiring and setting the salary for Police Officer for the Anamosa Police Department for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2016. Richard

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Stivers questioned the efficient use of the police officers time and the need to hire another officer. Discussion followed. Roll Vote. 1-Nay, Stivers. All Remaining Ayes. Motion Carried.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Alan Johnson reported to the Council that approximately 80 wastewater surveys had been mailed out to commercial businesses in Anamosa as required by the Iowa DNR. Alan distributed a copy of the survey to the Council members for their reference and information. Alan also stated that this requirement does not pertain to Anamosa alone. The Iowa DNR is requiring other communities to do the same.

Alan also reported on the previous request to determine approximate costs of signage and sidewalk along Shaw Road and 3rd Street. He stated that the sidewalk would cost approximately \$14,000 and approximately \$800 for signage.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL:

Brady Reynolds voiced his appreciation to public present at the meeting for their participation.

Adjournment

Motion by Dearborn, second by Shaffer to adjourn at 7:55 p.m. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Dale Barnes, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tammy Coons, City Clerk