

The City Council of the City of Anamosa met in Regular Session this April 27, 2015 in the Council Chambers at City Hall at 6:00 p.m. with Cody Shaffer, Bill Feldmann, Brady Reynolds, Richard Stivers and Mike Dearborn present. Absent: Chuck Smith. 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; Scott Kelly P & R Director and Bob Simonson, Police Chief. Guests Present Addressing the Council: Judy Rose. 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**

Judy Rose addressed the Council distributing pictures and newspaper article regarding the properties owned by Irv Graver. She stated that her previous request that she made at the last council meeting that the nuisances at these properties be addressed still had not be remedied. Judy requested again that these properties nuisances be addressed.

**Council Minutes**

Motion by Feldmann, second by Shaffer to approve the minutes from the April 13, 2015 Regular Council meeting. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**COMMUNITY BETTERMENT:**

**PUBLIC SAFETY:**

**Sidewalk/Trail along Scott Street and Shaw Road**

Bill Feldmann reviewed the request from Dusty Embree, JCED that the Council confirm if they are in favor of the sidewalk and/or signage along the proposed trail from Shaw Road to Linn Street and 2<sup>nd</sup> Street. Discussion followed.

**Letter Received Concerning Abandonment of Community Care Facility**

Alan Johnson reviewed the letter and phone call received from the attorney representing the receivership of the old Community Care Facility stating that according to that attorney the County and the State are not interested in the property. Alan stated he is requesting a consensus from the Council to forward this information to the City Attorney for his review and recommendations. Discussion followed. It was the consensus of the Council members present to forward this information on to the City Attorney for his review and recommendations.

**Request from Property Owner of 205 N. High Street Regarding Water Bill**

Discussion was held and no action was taken. (The property owner was not present at the meeting.)

**PUBLIC SAFETY:**

**Beer and Liquor Licenses**

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

**PUBLIC WORKS:**

**Full Time Position for the Streets Department**

Alan reviewed the recent response to the advertising of the part time opening in the Streets Department, stating that no applications had been received. Alan explained the need to fill a full time position in the Streets Department. He stated that it would be more attractive to potential applicants and with the workload, there is a need to create the full time position. He stated that this would create two 2-person crews to allow more work to get done. Discussion followed.

Motion by Feldmann, second by Reynolds to authorize the addition of a full time position for the Streets Department and advertise for such a position at a wage of \$13.50 per hour. Discussion followed. 2-Nays, Shaffer and Dearborn. 3-Ayes, Feldmann, Reynolds and Stivers. Motion Carried.

**FINANCE:**

**Resolution Setting the Date for Public Hearing for Amending the Current City Budget for Fiscal Year 2014-15**

Motion by Feldmann, second by Dearborn to approve **Resolution 2015-16** setting the date for Public Hearing for amending the current City Budget for Fiscal Year 2014-15. Roll Vote. 1-Absent, Smith. All Remaining Ayes. Motion Carried.

**Payment of Bills for the Month of April 2015**

Motion by Feldmann, second by Dearborn to approve the payment of bills for the month of April, 2015. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**Resolution Hiring and Setting Salaries of Seasonal Part Time Employees for the Anamosa Aqua Court and the Parks Maintenance Department for the Upcoming Season**

Motion by Dearborn, second by Feldmann to approve **Resolution 2015-17** hiring and setting salaries of seasonal part time employees for the Anamosa Aqua Court and the Parks Maintenance Department for the upcoming season. Roll Vote. 1-Absent, Smith. All Remaining Ayes. Motion Carried.

**Resolution Setting Salary for Wastewater Department Employee for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2015**

Alan stated that Dan Smith had passed his Grade III Wastewater Operator test and he is recommending a \$2.00 per hour increase in his hourly wage. Alan stated that Dan would like to address the Council on the proposed wage increase. Dan Smith addressed the Council distributing a listing of the requirements for the Grade III certification and a list of accomplishments he has completed at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Discussion followed.

Motion by Dearborn, second by Shaffer to set up a committee consisting of three council members, the Administrator and the Mayor to review the wages of Department Head positions. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:**

Alan Johnson reviewed the correspondence received from Anamosa School Superintendent Lisa Beams regarding the status and ownership of Sadie Street. Alan stated he will update the Council on this after the City Attorney has reviewed the information.

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL:**

Mike Dearborn – P&R Board, stated that the playground “Train Area” in Wapsianna Park should be done soon. He also stated that the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration of the Lawrence Community Center will be held at the LCC on June 4<sup>th</sup>. He also stated that the Board had received a request to put in some vegetable gardens in the Chamber Park area, which the Board was fine with, but the request would also have to be approved by the Chamber of Commerce.

Cody Shaffer – JCED, stated that the trail proposal with Parks to People program was discussed. He also stated that Dusty Embree would like to sit down with the Alan Johnson, City Administrator to discuss possible incentives for new businesses in Anamosa.

**Adjournment**

Motion by Dearborn, second by Feldmann to adjourn at 7:28 p.m. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

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Dale Barnes, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Tammy Coons, City Clerk