

The City Council of the City of Anamosa met in Regular Session this June 27, 2016 in the Council Chambers at City Hall at 6:00 p.m. with Rick Sanborn, Bill Feldmann, Chuck Smith, Rod Smith, Cody Shaffer and Betty Weimer present. Absent: None. Mayor Dale Barnes presided. Also present were Alan Johnson, City Administrator; Tammy Coons, City Clerk; Rebecca Vernon, Librarian; Jim Henson, Water Superintendent and Travis McNally, Police Sergeant. Guests Present Addressing the Council: Joy Thomas, 104 N. Jackson St.; Heath Picken, HR Green; Cheryl Werdeman, 539 Noah Dr.; Chuck Moats, 543 Noah Dr.; Nancy Shaffer, 803 N. Division Ct.; Randy Day, 304 S. Oak St.; and Mike Dearborn, 405 N. Division St. Mayor Dale Barnes called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll call was taken with a quorum present.

### **Council Minutes**

Motion by Feldmann, second by Sanborn to approve the minutes from the June 13, 2016 Regular Council meeting. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

#### **Public Hearing on Proposal to Vacate and Convey 10 Foot Wide Alley Running East-West in Block 1 of L. Osborn's Subdivision of Lots 16 and 17 and the East Half of Lot 18 and the East Half of Outlot 4 in Geo. H. Walworth's Addition to Anamosa, Iowa**

Mayor Barnes opened the public hearing at 6:00 p.m. No written or verbal comments had been received and no comments were offered by the public present. Alan reviewed the location of the alley and the proposed vacation and conveyance.

Motion by Feldmann, second by Rod Smith to close the public hearing at 6:02 p.m. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

#### **Public Hearing on Proposal to Vacate and Convey South Davis Street Lying South of the South Line of East 4<sup>th</sup> Street and North of the North Line of East 5<sup>th</sup> Street and to sell and convey the Old Water Tower Site on East 5<sup>th</sup> Street (Parcel 2016-05) and the Rectangular Parcel of land Owned by the City Adjoining that Old Water Tower Site to the North (Parcel 2016-06)**

Mayor Barnes opened the public hearing at 6:02 p.m. Alan Johnson stated that he had received a phone call this morning from Virginia Bunting an adjoining property owner in which she expressed her confusion of the proposed property for sale. Alan recommended putting any action on the actual sale on hold until this can be clarified for Virginia, possibly by the next Council meeting. No comments were offered by the public present.

Motion by Feldmann, second by Shaffer to close the public hearing at 6:05 p.m. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

### **COMMUNITY BETTERMENT:**

#### **Ordinance Vacating and Conveying 10 Foot Wide Alley Running East-West in Block 1 of L. Osborn's Subdivision.**

Joy Thomas, 104 N. Jackson Street addressed the Council questioning whether a survey of the property should be done. Alan explained that the City was having the survey done for clarification of the property lines.

Motion by Feldmann, second by Rod Smith to approve the **first reading of Ordinance** vacating and conveying 10 foot wide alley running east-west in Block 1 of L. Osborn's Subdivision of Lots 16 and 17 and the east half of Lot 18 and the east half of Outlot 4 in Geo. H. Walworth's Addition to Anamosa, Iowa. Roll Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**Ordinance Amending Chapter 51 of the City Code to Expand the Definitions of Junk and Junk Vehicles and Prescribe Regulations for the Outdoor Storage of Vehicles**

Motion by Feldmann, second by Shaffer to approve the **second reading of Ordinance** Amending Chapter 51 of the City Code to expand the definitions of Junk and Junk Vehicles and prescribe regulations for the Outdoor Storage of Vehicles. Council discussion followed. Roll Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**Ordinance Vacating and Conveying South Davis Street Lying South of the South Line of East 4<sup>th</sup> Street and North of the North Line of East 5<sup>th</sup> Street in the City of Anamosa, Iowa**

No action was taken.

**PUBLIC SAFETY:**

**Beer and Liquor Licenses**

Motion by Feldmann, second by Sanborn to approve the renewal of Class B Native Wine Permit, Class C Beer Permit with Sunday Sales Privileges for Casey's General Store #2690. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**PUBLIC WORKS:**

**Resolution Setting Public Hearing on Proposed Plans and Specifications, Proposed Form of Contract and Estimate of Costs for the Anamosa Water Tower Repair and Maintenance Project and the Taking of Bids for Such Work**

Motion by Feldmann, second by Rod Smith to approve **Resolution 2016-29** Setting Public Hearing on Proposed Plans and Specifications, Proposed Form of Contract and Estimate of Costs for the Anamosa Water Tower Repair and Maintenance Project and the Taking of Bids for Such Work. Heath Picken, HR Green addressed the Council giving an overview of the proposed project to repair and maintenance the water tower. Roll Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**FINANCE:**

**Resolution Approving the Hiring and Setting Salary of Seasonal Part Time Employee for the Anamosa Aqua Court**

Motion by Feldmann, second by Shaffer to approve **Resolution 2016-30** Approving the Hiring and Setting Salary of Seasonal Part Time Employee for the Anamosa Aqua Court. Roll Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**Payment of Bills for the Month of June, 2016**

Motion by Feldmann, second by Shaffer to approve the payment of bills for the month of June, 2016. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:**

Alan gave the following updates:

Old Community Care Building – They have cleared the first hurdle to acquire the property as the abstract came back with no liens.

He has met with the Streets Dept., the Water Dept. and Wastewater Dept. as of today and he will be meeting the Police Dept. next to follow up on the Council's previous request on the expectations of each department in reporting to him.

Shaffer asked Alan the status of the water rate study. Alan explained that Speer Financial is working on this. Cody asked about the possible purchase of tablets for the Council and also if the parties that expressed interest in purchasing the Old Community Care Building are still interested. Alan stated yes

they are still interested and he will gather more information on the tablets if the Council wished to move forward with these.

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL:**

**Council Reports on Boards and Commissions**

Rick Sanborn reported on meeting he attended recently on air quality for cities. He explained that the cost of these units to measure the air quality are relatively inexpensive. They cost around \$250.00.

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

Cheryl Werdeman, 539 Noah Dr. addressed the Council stating that she is dog and animal lover, but she expressed her disappointment that as adjoining land owners to the proposed dog park area on Tower Road that they were not notified. She stated that she does not feel that this is an appropriate location for the dog park for the following reasons: noise and resale value to their homes. She respectfully asked that this property be taken out of consideration for the dog park and that it be placed on the next agenda.

Chuck Moats, 543 Noah Dr. addressed the Council expressing concern that he saw two people taking measurements in that area and another person with a dog “off leash” in that area. He asked the Council consider adding a “dog leash” requirement to the City ordinance.

Nancy Shaffer, 803 N. Division Ct. addressed the Council restating the Council’s motion from the previous meeting to explore costs of the dog park and identify other possible locations. Nancy distributed copies of a map showing other possible locations in the city. She reviewed six possible locations in the City and reviewed the pros and cons to each location. Council discussion followed, with Weimer suggesting that areas right outside the City also be looked at. Nancy stated her disagreement. Feldmann also stated that Marion has a dog park 15 minutes away and that the Monticello may also be getting a dog park. Discussion followed on the maintenance of the park and number of dogs possibly in Anamosa compared to how many are actually licensed.

Randy Day, 304 S. Oak St. addressed the Council distributing a list of questions that the Council would need answers for before they could make a decision. He reviewed what answers he had collected so far. He also asked that if there were any more questions that he could add to the list to please email him at the email listed on the information. Randy said he will be providing sketches for the park with two possible entrances and he will get a cost estimate to remove the debris on the property.

Mike Dearborn, 405 N. Division St. addressed the Council expressing his thanks to Gregg Carpenter, Scott Kelly and the Anamosa Fire Department and Police Department for their help with the St. Pat’s Block Party. He feels it was a big success. He also stated they had a lot of help from private citizens and organizations.

**Adjournment**

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

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Dale Barnes, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Tammy Coons, City Clerk