

The City Council of the City of Anamosa met in Regular Session this November 28, 2016 in the Council Chambers at City Hall at 6:00 p.m. with Rick Sanborn, Bill Feldmann, Rod Smith, Cody Shaffer and Betty Weimer present. Absent: Chuck Smith. (vacant). Mayor Dale Barnes presided. Also present were Alan Johnson, City Administrator; Tammy Coons, City Clerk; Dan Smith, Wastewater Superintendent; Rebecca Vernon, Library Director; and Bob Simonson, Police Chief. Guests Present Addressing the Council: Larry Steffen, Eagle Point Solar 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.

Mayor Barnes asked for a moment of silence in remembrance of the recent loss of Council Member Chuck Smith.

Council Minutes

Motion by Feldmann, second by Rod Smith to approve the minutes from the November 14, 2016 Regular Council meeting and the November 16, 2016 Special Council meeting. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Presentations

Eagle Point Solar – Dubuque, Iowa – Options for Solar Power in the Community

Larry Steffen, Eagle Point Solar addressed the Council giving an introduction of his company and explaining the type of services that they provide, specifically solar. He stated that they are one of the largest providers in the state of Iowa. Larry reviewed the solar modules available through their company and explained the basics of the equipment and it works with local electric providers such as ours – Alliant Energy. He explained that they first complete an analysis of potential areas of interest using at least 12 – 24 months of electric usage history. Larry stated that they then build a solar financial report for the location. He stated that the next step is to provide an engineering analysis and the last step is the funding portion of the potential project. Larry explained that as the City is an entity that is not eligible for tax credits the other options available for funding would be either cash, lease or financing options. He then reviewed the “lease power purchase” option. Feldmann inquired what the net gain would be for the financier. Larry used Cedar Rapids as an example who received a net gain of 10% over 25 years. Alan Johnson asked if this was daytime use only with no battery back-up. Larry concurred but also stated that Alliant provides a credit for excess storage. Rod Smith inquired if references were available and Larry stated yes they would provide references.

COMMUNITY BETTERMENT:

Approving Annual Financial Report for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2016

Motion by Feldmann, second by Weimer to approve the Annual Financial Report for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2016. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Approving Annual Urban Renewal Report for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2016

Motion by Feldmann, second by Rod Smith to approve the Annual Urban Renewal Report for Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2016. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Ordinance to Add Chapter 148 – Minimum Dwelling Standards to the Ordinances of the City of Anamosa, Iowa

Motion by Feldmann, second by Rod Smith to approve the **first reading of Ordinance** to add Chapter 148 – Minimum Dwelling Standards to the Ordinances of the City of Anamosa, Iowa. Roll Vote. 1- Absent, Chuck Smith (vacant). 1-Nay, Shaffer. All Remaining Ayes. Motion Carried.

Ordinance to Add Chapter 149 – Minimum Living Standards to Ordinances of the City of Anamosa, Iowa

Motion by Feldmann, second by Weimer to approve the **first reading of Ordinance** to add Chapter 149 – Minimum Living Standards to Ordinances of the City of Anamosa, Iowa. Rod Smith asked for clarification on the change made to this proposed ordinance. Alan read and explained the changed section 149.04. Mike Dearborn, 405 N. Division Street addressed the Council asking in regards to Chapters 148 & 149 ordinances the procedure that brings something back that has already been voted down. Alan explained that yes, the ordinances can be brought back if a change has been made. Mike asked “who” brought these back. Alan stated that he did using the recommendations made from the public present at the previous meetings. Roll Vote. 1-Absent, Chuck Smith (vacant). 1-Nay, Shaffer. All Remaining Ayes. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Beer and Liquor Licenses

Motion by Feldmann, second by Sanborn to approve the renewal of Class C Liquor License, outdoor service area with Sunday Sales Privileges for Tyler & Downing Eatery. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Appointments of Volunteer Fire Fighters

Motion by Feldmann, second by Rod Smith to approve the appointment of three volunteer fire fighters – Dustin McWhotor, Katherine Leonard and Jason Barnes as recommended by the Fire Service Board. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC WORKS: NONE

FINANCE:

Payment of Bills for the Month of November, 2016

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

Resolution Obligating Funds for the Appropriation of Tax Increment Financed Obligations to Anamosa Lodge & Suites, LLC

Motion by Feldmann, second by Sanborn to approve **Resolution 2016-54** Obligating funds from the Urban Renewal Tax Revenue fund for appropriation to the payment of annual appropriation tax increment financed obligations which shall come due in the next succeeding fiscal year for the Anamosa Lodge & Suites LLC d/b/a Americ Inn Hotel. Roll Vote. 1 – Absent, Chuck Smith (vacant). All Remaining Ayes. Motion Carried.

Resolution Obligating Funds for the Appropriation of Tax Increment Financed Obligations to Anamosa Nursing Home

Motion by Feldmann, second by Rod Smith to approve **Resolution 2016-55** Obligating funds from the Urban Renewal Tax Revenue fund for appropriation to the payment of annual appropriation tax increment financed obligations which shall come due in the next succeeding fiscal year for the Anamosa Nursing Home Company d/b/a Anamosa Care Center. Roll Vote. 1 – Absent, Chuck Smith (vacant). All Remaining Ayes. Motion Carried.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL:

Rick Sanborn, Jones County Tourism – reported that he is impressed with amount of work completed by the JCT on a small budget. He stated that the original 16 tours scheduled had increased to 22 tours.

Rod Smith, P&R Board - reported that the Board will be generating a report that will be submitted to the Council regarding the interim filling of the P & R Director position. He stated that the Jim McDonough concert will be held on December 3 at the high school and the December 8th starts the Christmas Tree Walk. Rod also stated that they are in the process of replacing a resigning P & R Board Member.

Resignation of Council Member

Rick Sanborn stated he is submitting his resignation as Council Member. He stated he had planned on being here the full term, but he is moving. He stated he has enjoyed the challenges and working on the Council and that he will miss it.

Motion by Feldmann, second by Rod Smith to accept resignation of Council Member Rick Sanborn. 1 – Nay, Weimer. All Remaining Ayes. Motion Carried.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT:

Alan distributed a written explanation of the requirements for filling the Council vacancies with the recent death of Chuck Smith and the resignation of Rick Sanborn. Alan paraphrased the process for the Council. He then expressed his regrets at both the recent passing of Chuck Smith and the resignation of Rick Sanborn.

Public with Business with the Council on Items not on the Agenda - None

Adjournment

Motion by Feldmann, second by Sanborn to adjourn at 6:49 p.m. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Dale Barnes, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tammy Coons, City Clerk