

The City Council of the City of Anamosa met in Regular Session this April 10, 2017 in the Council Chambers at City Hall at 6:00 p.m. with Rich Crump, Bill Feldmann, John Machart, 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, Library Director; Dan Smith, Wastewater Superintendent; Jim Henson, Water Superintendent; Tyler Laing, Interim Parks & Recreation Director; Travis McNally Police Sergeant and Bob Simonson, Police Chief. Guests Present Addressing the Council: Angela Jordan, ITC Midwest and Randy Day, 304 S. Oak Street. 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 Smith to approve the minutes from the March 27, 2017 Regular Council meeting. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC HEARING: NONE

COMMUNITY BETTERMENT:

Approving Contract with East Central Iowa Council of Governments (ECICOG) for CDBG Grant Planning and Administrative Services for Water Treatment Plant Expansion Project

Motion by Feldmann, second by Weimer to approve the contract with East Central Iowa Council of Governments (ECICOG) for CDBG Grant Planning and Administrative Services for Water Treatment Plant Expansion Project. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Electric Easement and Easement Agreement Between the City of Anamosa and ITC Midwest, LLC

Alan Johnson introduced Angela Jordan with ITC Midwest. Angela reviewed the connection between Springville, Anamosa and Amber and the new substation in Anamosa that Alliant Energy will be putting in. She also reviewed the map illustrating the proposed easement location and the fee for the easement that will be paid to the City of Anamosa in the amount of \$25,099.80. Alan reviewed the area of the proposed easement by the Wastewater Treatment Plant and the Street Shop area. Discussion followed after which suggested changes were made to the location of the easement in the Wastewater Plant area. Angela indicated that she would take the recommended changes back to ITC and bring a new easement back to the Council at a later date for review and approval. No action was taken at this time.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Beer and Liquor Licenses

Motion by Feldmann, second by Crump to approve the renewal of the following beer and liquor licenses: Anamosa Lodge & Suites, LLC (Americinn) – Renewal of Class C Liquor License (Beer/wine), Class B Wine Permit, Outdoor Service with Sunday Sales Privileges and Hot Shots Bar & Grill, Inc. – Renewal of Class C Liquor License with Sunday Sales Privileges. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Request from Anamosa Rotary Club to Hold the Annual Fire Works Display

Motion by Feldmann, second by Machart to approve the request from the Anamosa Rotary Club to hold the annual fireworks display on July 3, 2017 with a rain date of July 4, 2017. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC WORKS: NONE

FINANCE:

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

Motion by Feldmann, second by Weimer to approve **Resolution 2017-17** Approving the Hiring and Setting Salary of a Seasonal Part Time Employee for the Anamosa Aqua Court for the Upcoming Season. Discussion followed. Roll Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Resolution Setting Public Hearing Date on Government Obligation Contract in a Principal Amount Not to Exceed \$100,095

Alan reviewed and explained the reasoning and need to hold the public hearing.

Motion by Feldmann, second by Smith to approve **Resolution 2017-18** Setting Public Hearing Date on Government Obligation Contract in a Principal Amount Not to Exceed \$100,095. Roll Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Alan Johnson reported the following:

- Late last week he had received a proposal for the repair of the City sirens from RC Communications Systems. This would be to replace the siren on North Williams Street, install new battery back-ups and provide for remote control of the communications for a cost of \$22,500. They will also replace all the batteries for \$1,693.20. The maintenance would be completed on a quarterly basis and they also recommended that the County complete tests on the sirens monthly. The grand total would be \$25,553.20. Alan stated he is recommending moving forward with this process due to the importance of and need for fully operational sirens. Discussion followed on the possibility of adding a noon siren on a daily basis. Bob Simonson stated that RC Communications stated that this is possible by adding an additional board and this can be added at a later date if the Council chose to do this. More discussion followed.
- Alan stated that the house on Park Avenue is in the process of being torn down and then asked Sergeant Travis McNally to provide an update on the nuisance properties.
- Sergeant Travis McNally reported that of the 27 properties that had been identified of which, 25 were identified by officers and 2 were identified by citizens, 10 have been resolved, 1 is ready for the abatement process and 16 properties are on "hold" at this time until he received clarification on the notification process. Discussion followed. Alan stated he will meet with Travis to give him direction on the notification process.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL:

Rich Crump – Jones County Tourism, reported that a Fam Tour is in the process of being set up to include business owners and City and County officials.

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

Randy Day, 304 S. Oak Street stated he was glad to see movement and follow-through in addressing the nuisance properties and inquired about the status of a property on E. 3rd Street. Discussion followed.

Adjournment

Motion by Crump, second by Feldmann to adjourn at 6:47 p.m. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Dale Barnes, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tammy Coons, City Clerk