

The City Council of the City of Anamosa met in Regular Session this January 8, 2018 in the Council Chambers at City Hall at 6:00 p.m. with Rich Crump, Kay Smith, John Machart, Rod Smith, Cody Shaffer and Betty Weimer present. Absent: None. Mayor Dale Barnes presided. Also present were Tammy Coons, Interim City Administrator/City Clerk; Dan Smith, Wastewater Superintendent; Rebecca Vernon, Library Director; Tyler Laing, Parks & Recreation Director; Bob Simonson, Police Chief; and Travis McNally, Police Sergeant. Guests Present Addressing the Council: Ben Parker, 400 S. Ford Street and Lindsay Beaman, Snyder & Associates. 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 Rod Smith, second by Crump to approve the minutes from the December 27, 2017 Regular Council meeting. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

**Public Hearing on Nuisance Abatement Served on Property Located at 400 S. Ford Street**

Mayor Barnes opens the public hearing at 6:01 p.m. Ben Parker, owner of property located at 400 S. Ford Street addressed the Council asking for additional time to acquire the funds to replace the tires on his truck located in his driveway. He stated he has been unemployed since May. Ben also stated that the owner of the white car had asked him to store the vehicle on his property and that that he will require more time to contact that owner to move the vehicle off his property. Ben suggested that a hardship clause be added to the nuisance ordinance. He again asked for more time to correct the issues relating to the vehicles, maybe 90 – 180 days. Discussion followed. Motion by Crump, second by Shaffer to close the public hearing at 6:14 p.m. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**COMMUNITY BETTERMENT:**

**Action on Nuisance Abatement Served on Property at 400 S. Ford Street**

Motion by Shaffer, second by Crump to extend the nuisance abatement notice served on 400 S. Ford Street out to 30 days from Jan. 9<sup>th</sup> to remove the junk vehicle and 90 days from Jan. 9<sup>th</sup> to repair the tires on the truck and license it. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**Cemetery Rules and Procedures in the Riverside Cemetery**

Discussion ensued on the rules and procedures in the Riverside Cemetery and possibly tabling any action until Gregg Carpenter, Streets Superintendent can be present. Rod Smith suggested that Adrian Knuth, City Attorney be present during that discussion. Crump suggested combing this item with other agenda items that Adrian will need to be present for.

**Council Committee Appointments for 2018**

Motion by Rod Smith, second by Machart to approve the Council committee appointments as recommended by Mayor, Dale Barnes. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**Resolution Consenting to Assignment of Development Agreement and Tax Increment Payments**

Motion by Shafer, second by Crump to approve **Resolution 2018-01** Consenting to Assignment of Development Agreement and Tax Increment Payments. Roll Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**PUBLIC SAFETY:**

**Beer and Liquor Licenses; None**

**PUBLIC WORKS: NONE**

**FINANCE:**

**Annual Audit Report for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2017**

Discussion ensued on annual audit report for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2017. Tammy Coons, City Clerk reviewed and explained auditor's findings.

Motion by Rod Smith, second by Weimer to approve the Annual Audit report for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2017 as submitted by Clifton LarsonAllen, LLP and put procedures in place to address and correct the findings. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**Change Order No. 1 for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Lift Station Project**

Motion by Shaffer, second by Crump to approve Change Order No. 1 for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Lift Station Project in the amount of \$51,424.98 to Ricklefs Excavating. Rod Smith asked Lindsay Beaman, Snyder & Associates if they were recommending approval of change order. Discussion followed. Lindsay reviewed the time extension requests and the reasons for each one. Lindsay stated that they are recommending approval of the change order and time extension. She also explained the possible processes available to the Council regarding liquidated damages comparing that to incentives and disincentives in future contracts. Discussion followed. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**Proposed Budgets for Streets Department and Library for Fiscal Year 2018-19**

Tammy Coons explained that due to illness, Gregg Carpenter, Streets Superintendent was not present at the meeting tonight. She offered to review his budget information relating information gathered in her meeting with Gregg. Discussion followed.

Motion by Crump, second by Shaffer to table both the Streets Department Budget and Library Budget for 2018-19 discussion. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:**

Tammy updated the Council on the status of the boiler inspection at City Hall, that corrections had been made and that the follow up inspection will be done later this week.

Tammy then asked Travis McNally, Police Sergeant to update the Council on the status of nuisance abatements in Anamosa. Travis McNally addressed the Council stating that 68 properties had been identified since March 2017, not including lawn mowing issues. He stated that three of those cases were scheduled for court, of which two had been successful and one is still upcoming. He then reviewed the recent complaint received from a Main Street property owner regarding a cockroach issue. Travis stated that the property owner had been notified three times regarding the issue, with no response. He has been working with City Attorney, Adrian Knuth and they had just executed a search warrant to identify and confirm the issue. He suggested that the City may need to mitigate the issue themselves rather enforce a municipal infraction. Discussion followed.

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL:**

John Machart, Jones County Landfill – reported that the farm property being rented has an erosion issue which is being addressed by the board.

John Machart, EMA/E911 – reported that they are having discussions on budget and that towers may be updated.

Betty Weimer, JCED – reported that the Board is working on the budget and replacing Dusty Embree as Director.

**Public with Business with the Council on Items not on the Agenda: None**

**Adjournment**

Motion by Crump, second by Shaffer to adjourn at 7:04 p.m. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

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Dale Barnes, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Tammy Coons, City Clerk