

The City Council of the City of Anamosa met in Regular Session this November 13, 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 Jacob Sheridan, City Administrator; Tammy Coons, City Clerk; Travis McNally, Sergeant; and Dan Smith, Wastewater Superintendent. Guests Present Addressing the Council: Nicole Claussen; Bill Sperflage, Warden Anamosa State Penitentiary; 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 Weimer, second by Crump to approve the minutes of the October 22, 2018 Regular Council meeting. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: NONE

COMMUNITY BETTERMENT:

Request to Raise Funds to Build a Pavilion in the Riverside Cemetery and Approve Proposed Building Plans

Jacob Sheridan, City Administrator stated that he had discussed the proposed project with the Department Heads and found no reason that this would not be acceptable. Nicole Claussen addressed the Council stated that she would like to have local contractors complete the work as was previously discussed and presented. Crump stated that he had spoken to Kevin Smith, Goettsch Funeral Homes and Kevin had explained that they use this pad of concrete for funerals setting up their funeral tents, which includes the use of sides as the weather requires. Kevin had explained that this requires poles or rods to attach the sides. Discussion followed. Nicole stated that she would be glad to look into adding these poles or rods to the structure, if the Council was in favor of that. More discussion followed. Jacob stated that he will speak to the local veterans group about the current condition of the cement pad, along with Gregg Carpenter to determine if work needed to be done on the pad prior to any structure being added. Nicole stated she will speak with Kevin at Goettsch's to determine how the poles can be incorporated.

Ordinance Amending Chapter 74 of the City Code (Golf Carts and UTVs) to Prescribe Minimum Weight Rather than Maximum Weight Limitation and to Require Annual Registration

Jacob explained that this ordinance was slightly modified as recommended by the Police Chief to add a specific location on the vehicle for the placement of the registration decal, therefore this action is for the first reading of the amended ordinance.

Motion by Crump, second by Shaffer to approve the **First Reading of Ordinance** Amending Chapter 74 of the City Code (Golf Carts and UTVs) to Prescribe Minimum Weight Rather than Maximum Weight Limitation and to Require Annual Registration. Roll Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Ordinance Amending Chapter 92 and Chapter 99 of the City Code of Ordinances Establishing New Water and Wastewater Utility Rates

(Note this Ordinance combines agenda items 7.3 and 7.4 into one action)

Jacob gave a power point presentation to the Council illustrating the following items for both the water and wastewater: 1) Plant operations, 2) Usage History and Revenues, 3) Projected Needs, 4) User Types – Current and Proposed, 5) Current Fee Structures, 6) Current and Projected Revenues under Each Fee Structure. He explained the reasoning in adding a new use type – Industrial. (Currently the only Industrial User is the Anamosa State Penitentiary) He illustrated the ratio of the ASP usage of the total usage as compared to the ratio of ASP payments to the total payments. Discussion followed on the proposed Industrial base rate and increases and Commercial user base rates and volumetric rates.

Bill Sperflage, Warden – Anamosa State Penitentiary addressed the Council stating that he feels it about much more than the rates for the ASP, it is about being a part of the community and providing

jobs. He stated that they are willing to pay for their fair share of the sewer usage. Bill also explained how the proposed wastewater increase would affect the number of personnel they could maintain. He stated that conservation is important to them and he requested time for review and allowing him to provide input on this proposal. Discussion followed. Jacob stated he will re-work the proposed base rates and volumetric rates for commercial users and also meet with Bill Sperfslage to review the proposed industrial rates.

Re-setting the Regular Council Meeting Date on December 24, 2018 Due to the Holiday

Motion by Shaffer, second by Crump to re-set the regular December 24, 2018 Council meeting to December 17, 2018. Discussion followed. Shaffer with his first motion and Crump withdrew his second. This item will be tabled until the next regular Council meeting.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Beer and Liquor Licenses: None

Request to Hold Annual Parade of Lights November 23rd and “Reindeer Run” on November 24th

Motion by Crump, second by Shaffer to approve the street closure request to hold the annual Parade of Lights on Main Street on November 23, 2018 from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. and the “Reindeer Run” event to follow on Saturday November 24, 2018. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC WORKS: NONE

FINANCE:

Resolution Adjusting and Setting the Salary for the Part Time Building Grounds/Maintenance Employee for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2019

Motion by Shaffer, second by Machart to approve **Resolution 2018-43** Adjusting and Setting the Salary for the Part Time Building Grounds/Maintenance Employee for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2019. Discussion followed. Roll Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT:

Jacob reported the following:

- Progress continues on the Water Treatment Plant Expansion Project. All six filters are running and now the three original filters will be rehabbed. When this is complete the project should be “substantially” completed. The project will hopefully be complete by year end.
- The Trail Project is going well. The water main abandonment on Shaw Road is complete.
- The engineering phase on the Phosphorus Removal is moving along. Construction will hopefully begin this winter.
- Work with Jones County Economic Development and Hometown Pride is continuing on a CDBG grant application. In conjunction with that they are looking at possible building codes.

Weimer requested LMI information and guidelines from Jacob. Jacob suggested setting up specific requirements for future use of LMI funds. Rod Smith suggested looking at the more than just the downtown area for that.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL:

Machart, Jones County Landfill – Reported that the back-up end loader is in need of repair which could cost approximately \$40,000 and they are comparing that to the cost of purchasing a new or used end loader.

Rod Smith, P & R – Reported that they are sponsoring the Jim McDonough concert which is Saturday December 1st and that tickets are still available.

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

Mike Dearborn, 405 N. Division Street addressed the Council stating that there should have been a public hearing notice posted for the public regarding proposed water and sewer rate changes. He also stated that he knows that at least two companies had made inquiries to Jacob regarding the availability of LMI funds. He stated that he does not feel that it is right to put limitations on future LMI requests when one was already granted without those set up. He also stated that the setback requirements in the older sections of town need to be adjusted due to the smaller lots. Mike stated meeting those current setbacks make it almost impossible to rebuild on those smaller lots.

Adjournment

Motion by Crump, second by Rod Smith to adjourn at 8:22 p.m. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Dale Barnes, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tammy Coons, City Clerk