

The City Council of the City of Anamosa met in Regular Session this May 28, 2019 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; Tyler Laing, P&R Director; Jim Henson, Water Superintendent and Jeremiah Hoyt, Police Chief. Guests Present Addressing the Council: Mike McGreevy, Anamosa Fire Dept.; Tom Durgin; Kevin & Kenya Theilen, 1005 E. 1st 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 Crump second by Rod Smith to approve the minutes of the May 13, 2019 Regular Council meeting. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Public Hearing Amending the Current Budget for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2019

Mayor Barnes opened the public hearing at 6:01 p.m. No comments were offered by the public present. Motion by Shaffer, second by Weimer to close the public hearing at 6:02 p.m. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Presentations: None

COMMUNITY BETTERMENT:

Contest/Drawing to Encourage the Use of On-Line Payments

Jacob Sheridan suggested offering a prize, such as “Chamber Bucks” to encourage citizens to use the on-line payment system to be implemented soon. Discussion followed. Crump did not feel that a “give-away” would be needed to encourage the use of on-line payments. Jacob stated that the “in-office” credit card use would be available on June 10, 2019. No action was taken.

Replacement of Computer Technology at the Police Department

Discussion was held on the need to replace both computers, software and a server at the Police Department and the quote received. Shaffer asked if this was the only quote that was received. Jacob explained that two other IT persons reviewed the proposal and after discussion again with the ITS, the provider of the quote reduced their quote to be more comparable to what the IT persons felt would be reasonable. Jeremiah Hoyt also stated that ITS currently provides the IT support for the Police Department. Weimer suggested from her experience that there is an Office 360 subscription that may provide cost savings for the Microsoft Office software.

Motion by Weimer, second by Kay Smith to approve the quotes received from ITS for the computers, software and server with the exception of the Microsoft Office software, comparing it to Office 360 subscription. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Selection of Architects for the Downtown Revitalization Project

Jacob reviewed his recommendation to select Martin Gardner Architects after the receipt of the RFQ’s. Discussion followed regarding the fact that if the City does not receive the grant, they will still be responsible for the expense of the Architect. Jacob stated that after the architect is selected from the RFQ’s received there will still need to be action taken on the professional services agreement outlining the expense of the service. Discussion followed on the result of the two reference checks completed by Jacob and the need to identify that the buildings in the program would be structurally sound.

Tom Durgin, downtown building owner addressed the Council stating he was against this process and grant. He also stated he felt that each building owner should be responsible for the

cost of having the structural inspection of their building completed, not the City using tax payers' dollars. Tom also questioned if the City had missed the recent deadline for the grant. Jacob stated that no, they had not planned on meeting this year's deadline and that they had always planned to apply in 2020. Discussion followed.

Motion by Weimer, second by Rod Smith to approve the RFQ received from Marten Gardner Architects for Downtown Revitalization Project. 2- Nays, Crump and Shaffer. All Remaining Ayes. Motion Carried.

Fire Station Expansion Project

Jacob stated that he had tried to set up a meeting with Fire Chief Tim Shada and the engineer, but couldn't make it work. He stated he then spoke with engineer himself regarding using the wall of the new building as the retaining wall and the engineer stated that if we did do that the wall would need to be 15 ft. instead of using a retaining a wall at half that height and that the cost would increase by \$100,000. Discussion followed on the amount of bedrock in the soil and if a retaining wall was really necessary and possibly getting core soil samples of the area to determine the amount of bedrock. Discussion was also held on the grading needed. Jacob asked the Council for direction and what specific questions they want him to ask the engineer. It was decided that Jacob should ask the following: If there was bedrock in the soil, would a retaining wall still be needed and would core samples be needed to determine the amount of bedrock. Mike McGreevy, AFD stated he thought that core samples would be a good idea. Shaffer and Rod Smith both stated it would be a good idea to have the engineer present to answer questions.

28E Agreement with Jones County for Collection of Parking Tickets

Jacob stated that no action was needed at this time as there are more questions to be answered as this is new to Jones County. He then explained how the process would work to collect parking fines by attaching them to the vehicle registration process.

Motion by Shaffer, second by Crump to move forward with setting up the 28E Agreement with Jones County for the collection of parking tickets. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Beer and Liquor Licenses

Motion by Crump, second by Kay Smith to approve the renewal of Class E Liquor License, Class B Beer Permit, Class B Native Winer Permit with Sunday Sales Privileges for Casey's Stores #2690 and #2908. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Record of Verbal Warning for Wastewater Superintendent Dan Smith

Motion by Crump, second by Shaffer to table any action on the record of verbal warning for Wastewater Superintendent Dan Smith until 2 more meetings, June 24, 2019. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

FINANCE:

Request Made by Kevin and Kenya Theilen to Purchase Section of Alley Adjacent to 1005 E. 1st Street

Kevin and Kenya Theilen reviewed their request to purchase the alley adjacent to their property at 1005 E. 1st Street stating that this gives them access to their garage and would allow them to build a deck. Kevin also said that Dallas Paustian the other adjoining property owner to the alley section is not

interested in purchasing, but he would ask for an easement to access his property. Discussion followed on selling just that section of the alley or the full alley in that block. Crump suggested contacting all the adjoining property owners to full the alley to verify if there was any interest in purchasing. No action was taken at this time.

Resolution Amending the Current Budget for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2019

Motion by Crump, second by Weimer to approve **Resolution 2019-20** Amending the Current Budget for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2019. Roll Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Professional Services Agreement Amendment No. 5 with HR Green Company for Annual GIS Services

Motion by Weimer, second by Rod Smith to approve the Professional Services Agreement Amendment No. 5 with HR Green Company for Annual GIS Services. Discussion followed. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

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

Motion by Rod Smith, second by Crump to approve **Resolution 2019-21** Approving the Hiring and Setting Salary of Seasonal Part Time Employees for the Anamosa Aqua Court for the Upcoming Season. Roll Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Resolution Approving the Hiring of Part Time Employees and Setting Salaries for the Lawrence Community Center for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2019

Motion by Kay Smith, second by Crump to approve **Resolution 2019-22** Approving the Hiring of Part Time Employees and Setting Salaries for the Lawrence Community Center for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2019. Roll Vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Payment of Bills for the Month of May, 2019

Motion by Weimer, second by Crump to approve the payment of bills for May, 2019. Discussion followed. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Jacob reported the following:

- 1 - There was water leak on E. 3rd Street, which the location of the leak could not be identified. A leak detection company came in today to run a check and they could not identify the location of the leak. Jim Henson, Water Superintendent reviewed the process they went through to locate the leak. He also reviewed other potential sources of the water coming up in the ground and how the areas would intermittently start and stop showing the ground water.
- 2 - An advertisement has been placed looking for a seasonal employee for the cemetery mowing.

Shaffer asked about the status of the nuisance abatement at 310 W. Main Street. Discussion followed. Jacob will follow up on this.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL:

Kay Smith, Library Board – reported that the Board had discussed the registrations for the summer reading programs and that registration started today. She also stated that books can be checked out for longer periods of time if someone is going on vacation.

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

Mike Dearborn, 405 N. Division Street addressed the Council reminding them that they are liaisons on boards and commissions. He also stated that Weimer could not be the President of JCED and a council liaison as it is a conflict. Mike questioned the statement on the agendas regarding Iowa Code Section

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21.4 that elected officials are not required to answer questions under this agenda item. He said that the Council can pass a resolution to allow council members to answer questions.

Tom Durgin addressed the Council questioning listing a name on agenda item 9.1 and that he had concerns regarding all the council members.

Closed Session

Motion by Shaffer, second by Weimer to enter into Closed Session per 21.5(j) of the State Code to discuss the purchase or sale of particular real estate at 7:26 p.m. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Returned to open session at 7:59 p.m.

Adjournment

Motion by Weimer, second by Machart to adjourn at 7:59 p.m. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Dale Barnes, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tammy Coons, City Clerk