

STATEMENT OF COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
September 28, 2020

The City Council of the City of Anamosa met in Regular Session September 28, 2020 at the Anamosa Library and Learning Center and via Zoom at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Rod Smith presiding. The following Council Members were present: John Machart, Rich Crump, Jeff Stout, Kay Smith, Alan Zumbach, and Galen Capron. Absent: none. Also present were Beth Brincks, City Clerk; Rebecca Vernon, Library Director. Due to the restrictions on public gatherings, the public utilized Zoom to participate in the meeting from their homes. Iowa Code Chapter 21, as interpreted, permits public meetings to be held electronically.

Mayor Rod Smith called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll call was taken with a quorum present.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Director Vernon gave some brief instructions on use of Zoom and how to participate in the meeting.

Motion by Stout, Second by Zumbach to approve the agenda. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Zumbach, second by Smith to approve the minutes of the September 14, 2020 Regular City Council meeting. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Crump, second by Machart to table agenda items 7.2-7.10 pertaining to the 2020 CDBG Downtown Revitalization Grant until the next meeting so as to have the documents reviewed by the City Attorney. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion Carried.

Motion by Smith, second by Crump to approve the request for proposal for wayfinding signage. Derek Lumsden from Jones County Economic Development presented the RFP he was proposing. He gave an overview of the purpose of the signage and types of things they will give direction to. There will be other bids needed for fabrication and installation. These signs contribute to the vibrancy of the downtown area. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried

Gary Knight addressed the City Council in regard to an emergency service line repair that was done at 404 E 2nd Street which is the residence of his mother, Joy Knight. He claimed that the line was hit by a contractor and that his mother was not notified. Eva Atwood, Joy Knight's daughter, explained that she was there during this time and the plumber stated that he did not get an answer when knocking on the door. She explained that her mother had been in the hospital. The plumber informed her of the leak and that it had to be fixed and they would be billed. Cody Shaffer of Shaffer Plumbing was the plumber on the scene and stated that the contractor had not hit the line and that they had not even started boring in that area. They were hydro excavating when the extra water was found. It was the property owner's line that had failed. It may have been leaking for some time. The City Council took no action and the property owner will be expected to continue payments on the repair bill.

The Mayor explained that there was to be a water line repair where the parklet for Tucker Tavern is located and he had the parklet relocated to Main Street. The City Council had previously approved only 2 parklets be located on Main Street. Jim Henson Water

Superintendent explained that the repairs were set for Monday and Tuesday since Tucker's is closed those days. After some discussion, the parklet will be moved back on Wednesday and no action will be taken on this matter at this time.

Motion by Smith, second by Zumbach to set the time for trick or treating to Saturday, October 31, 2020 from 6-8pm. LeeAnna Boone from the Chamber was inquiring since she had received several questions about if it was going to be permitted. Zumbach stated that he is confident that people will use commonsense. As always participation is voluntary. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Crump, second by Stout to approve the closure of Walworth Ave on October 2, 2020 from 9:30-10:30 am for the Pumpkin Roll, the use of City Parking lots, and barricades for Pumpkin Fest activities. LeeAnna Boone gave an overview of the events and locations. The Fun Run will be the same route as the Reindeer Run. Citizens can vote for favorite pumpkin and scarecrow. Ayes: all. Nay: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Smith, second by Crump to approve Resolution 2020-50 approving the hiring and setting wages for Park and Recreation Interns. Roll vote. Ayes: Crump, Smith, Machart, Zumbach, Stout, and Capron. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Zumbach, second by Machart to approve Resolution 2020-51 approving the hiring and setting salary of an Interim Streets Superintendent. Roll vote. Ayes: Machart, Zumbach, Crump, Smith, Capron, and Stout. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Crump, second by Zumbach to post the City Administrator Position opening on the door at City Hall for 10 days. Smith stated that she requested this item in the agenda and stated there was no reason to delay a decision. The Mayor wanted to see it advertised. Crump stated his motion was for the 10 day post. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Crump, second by Smith to approve the Liquor License renewal for Fareway. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Crump, second by Zumbach to approve the Liquor License renewal for the Anamosa Bowling Center. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Smith, to approve the current bills, second by Stout. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

City Administrators Report: Brincks reported the accounting software planning and input will be going on at City Hall this week. It is a very intense process and will be the main focus of the office. We are still working on documentation for the audits and preparing for the annual reports. We were able to get an application in for FEMA consideration for the storm damage. There will be more information to come on this.

Mayor and Council Reports: The Mayor had no report.

Smith reported that the Library Board met on Monday and the Friends of the Library are raffling off a quilt, which is on display in the library. An old map of Anamosa has been donated and is also on display. Everyone is encourage to come see it.

Stout reported that the DOT has quite a few products that can be purchased and may save the City money. Monticello has purchased may items through them.

Public with business for on items not on the agenda: Dick Stivers gave a report of speeding issues on South Garnavillo. He would like to see signs posted. Chief Hoyt has had some officers there and may see about using the speed trailer.

Motion by Crump, second by Machart to enter into Closed Session per Iowa Code 21.5 (1)(c) to discuss strategy with counsel in matters that are presently in litigation or where litigation is imminent where its disclosure would be likely to prejudice or disadvantage the position of the governmental body in that litigation. City Attorney O'Connell was not present. Crump rescinded his motion and Machart rescinded his second. The City Council did not go into closed session.

Motion by Crump, second by Smith to adjourn. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm.

Rod Smith, Mayor

ATTEST:

Beth Brincks, City Clerk