

## REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a regular meeting was duly held at City Hall at 6:00 PM on the 13th day of February 2024.

Council present: Michael Cherney, Christopher Quale, Nick Anderson and Karen Ruechel.

Council absent: None

Mayor: Brian Anderson presided over the meeting.

### **Agenda:**

Motion made by Michael Cherney, seconded by Christopher Quale, to approve the City Council meeting agenda. Votes in favor: Michael Cherney, Karen Ruechel, Christopher Quale and Nick Anderson. Votes against: None Motion carried.

### **Approval of Minutes:**

Motion made by Karen Ruechel, seconded by Michael Cherney, to approve January 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting minutes as presented. Votes in favor: Michael Cherney, Karen Ruechel, Christopher Quale and Nick Anderson. Votes against: None Motion carried.

### **Approval of Timecards:**

Motion made by Michael Cherney, seconded by Christopher Quale, to approve the January timecards. Votes in favor: Michael Cherney, Karen Ruechel, Christopher Quale and Nick Anderson. Votes against: None Motion carried.

### **Old Business:**

The clerk readdressed the issues of the sewer main on 4<sup>th</sup> Street located between Bergen Street and Lewison Street, which was videoed in 2023. The clerk wondered if the city should send the videos to an engineer for an opinion on the matter. The council instructed the clerk to send the videos to Bolton & Menk the same engineering firm helping the City with the lead and copper inventory, for an opinion.

The clerk gave an update to the City Council about the Well #5 Project. Kraut Construction has been delayed by the spell of cold weather that occurred in January. They will be moving equipment in to start construction on the well from February 12<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup>, and they will begin construction on February 19<sup>th</sup>.

### **Police Report:**

The Mower County Sheriff's Department patrolled the City of Adams for a total of 231 hours from January 9 to February 13. There were 56 Calls for service in the City with traffic stops and medical calls being the main focus.

### **Fire Department Report:**

The biannual fire board meeting will be held at Adams City Hall on February 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM.

### **Maintenance Department Report:**

The maintenance department reported that the generator at the treatment plant is back online after its water pump was rebuilt and its radiator was re-cored. A gas monitor at the treatment plant was sent in for sensor replacement and to be recalibrated.

A thermostat at the emergency services building was replaced due to failure during the weekend of February 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Three residents on 3<sup>rd</sup> St NW discovered that they share a sewer service line after there was backups in two of the resident's houses. One of the residents replaced their sewer service line from their house to the boulevard, the other two residents plan on replacing their lines in the Spring/Summer.

The maintenance department plowed and removed snow in January, took down the Christmas lights, and performed regular daily tasks.

A new Hustler Super Z mower was ordered from Ulven Hardware in Rose Creek, MN for \$12,500.00.

Richard Drees started his new city general maintenance position on 2/5/2024.

### **Prairie Visions Report:**

Prairie Visions is in the process of trying to obtain grant money to connect the Shooting Star Trail to the WAPSI Trail in Iowa. It is approximately 5 miles of trail that would need to be constructed to connect the Shooting Star to the WAPSI.

### **Approval of Bills:**

The bills payable for January were reviewed by the City Council.

Motion made by Michael Cherney, seconded by Karen Ruechel, to approve the payment of December bills. Votes in favor: Michael Cherney, Karen Ruechel, Christopher Quale and Nick Anderson. Votes against: None Motion carried.

### **Financial Report:**

The city clerk presented the December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023 financial statements.

Motion made by Karen Ruechel, seconded by Christopher Quale, to approve the financial report as presented. Votes in favor: Michael Cherney, Karen Ruechel, Christopher Quale and Nick Anderson. Votes against: None Motion carried.

### **MPFA Well #5 Disbursement #1:**

The first disbursement request for the Well #5 Project, in the amount of \$87,411.74, has been created and is ready for approval. Also, the clerk is asking for permission to sign the disbursement requests moving forward in order to get them to PFA on time for their approval. Motion made by Michael Cherney, seconded by Christopher Quale, to approve Disbursement Request #1 and to give the clerk permission to sign disbursement requests moving forward. Votes in favor: Michael Cherney, Karen Ruechel, Christopher Quale and Nick Anderson. Votes against: None Motion carried.

### **Well #5 Change Order No. 1:**

The wage rate determinations need to be updated in the contract because of the delay in executing the contract between Traut Companies and the City of Adams. The contract price still remains at \$377,681.00 after this change.

Motion made by Karen Ruechel, seconded by Nick Anderson, to approve Change Order No. 1. Votes in favor: Michael Cherney, Karen Ruechel, Christopher Quale and Nick Anderson. Votes against: None Motion carried.

**MPFA Real Property Declaration:**

This document states that the City of Adams has a real interest in the property where new well #5 will be constructed and that such interest in the Restricted Property is made subject to the following restrictions and encumbrances. The property is subject to the encumbrance created and requirements imposed by Minn. Stat. Sec. 16A.695, and cannot be sold, mortgaged, encumbered or otherwise disposed of without the approval of the Commissioner of Minnesota Management and Budget. The Restricted Property is also subject to all terms, conditions, provisions, and limitations contained in the certain Bond Purchase And Project Loan Agreement between the MPFA and the City of Adams.

Motion made by Michael Cherney, seconded by Christopher Quale, to approve the MPFA Real Property Declaration. Votes in favor: Michael Cherney, Karen Ruechel, Christopher Quale and Nick Anderson. Votes against: None Motion carried.

**Central Tank Coating Contract:**

Motion made by Karen Ruechel, seconded by Nick Anderson, to approve the contract between Central Tank Coatings and the City of Adams to sandblast and repaint the interior of the city's water tower per state-required specs for the price of \$39,000.00. Votes in favor: Michael Cherney, Karen Ruechel, Christopher Quale and Nick Anderson. Votes against: None Motion carried.

**Adams Town & Country Pool Gambling Permit:**

Motion made by Michael Cherney, seconded by Christopher Qule, to approve a gambling permit to the Adams Town and Country Pool for a Raffle to be held at the Adams American Legion on 4/23/2024. Votes in favor: Michael Cherney, Karen Ruechel, Christopher Quale and Nick Anderson. Votes against: None Motion carried.

No further business.

Motion made by Karen Ruechel, seconded by Michael Cherney, to adjourn at 6:39 PM. Votes in favor: Michael Cherney, Karen Ruechel, Christopher Quale and Nick Anderson. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Jake Goodale

Clerk/ Treasurer