

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

February 28th, 2023

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof a special meeting was duly held at City Hall at 5:30 PM on the 28th day of February 2023.

Council present: Michael Cherney, Ella Noterman, Christopher Quale and Karen Ruechel.

Council absent: None

Mayor: Brian Anderson presided over the meeting.

Agenda:

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

Fire Board Meeting To Approve 2024 Fire Department Budget:

The City Council met with the Adams Fire Board to review fire department operations and look at a proposed fire department budget for 2024. Fire Board members present were Ted Kiefer (City of Taopi), Mark Schulz (Clayton Township), Troy McCabe (Marshall Township), John Kirtz (Lodi Township) and John Kloeckner (Adams Township). Eric Wiste, the Assistant Fire Chief, attended the meeting representing the Adams Fire Department. The City Clerk presented a spreadsheet that would determine fire service fees based on a \$80,000.00 budget. The clerk reported that at the end of 2022 there was \$96,533.14 surplus in the Fire Department fund for any upcoming expenses that may be necessary. Eric Wiste reported that the fire department recently purchased a used Circular Air Corp/Jet Hose Washer for \$1225.00 and a smaller Generator Trailer for \$3275.00. Eric explained that the department planned on putting the larger trailer currently used for the generator on an auction to recoup the costs of the hose washer and the smaller trailer. Eric said that the Fire Department is still looking at purchasing a tanker truck but is not certain when that will come to fruition. A council member was in contact with a person who seemed interested in helping the Adams Fire Department apply for some grants which would be useful with the purchasing needs of the department. After considerable discussion the Fire Board recommended that the 2024 fire department budget be set at \$80,000.00. The \$80,000.00 does not include the Fire State aid. The City Council was agreeable with this request. The Adams Fire Board will meet again in August when the Clerk will present the Cities and Townships with their invoice for participating in an \$80,000.00 for 2024.

Motion made by Ella Noterman, seconded by Christopher Quale, to approve the participation in and \$80,000.00 budget for the year 2024. Votes in favor: Ella Noterman, Michael Cherney, Christopher Quale and Karen Ruechel. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Fire Board Meeting adjourned at 5:45 PM

Approval of Minutes:

Motion made by Karen Ruechel, seconded by Michael Cherney, to approve the February 14th, 2023 meeting minutes as presented. Votes in favor: Ella Noterman, Michael Cherney, Christopher Quale and Karen Ruechel. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Old Business:

The clerk informed the council that he spoke to the owner of Heimer Foods about the semi-trucks and trailers parking in the alley South of the store overnights. The owner has reached out to his distributors and said he is working on getting them to park on Commerce Street if they plan on staying in town overnight.

New information was brought up about the DAC building just North of the Post Office. At this time the owners are not doing anything with the building but will be making a decision come this spring.

The council asked if there was any news the timeframe of getting some interior updates done at the emergency services building. At this time the clerk has not got in contact with anyone to get any quotes.

Resolution #02-2023:

Motion made by Karen Ruechel, seconded by Micheal Cherney, to approve Resolution #02-2023 a resolution setting a public hearing for a street vacation. Votes in favor: Ella Noterman, Karen Ruechel, and Michael Cherney. Votes against: None. Christopher Quale abstained from voting. Motion carried.

Ordinance #196:

The council looked at the clerk's revisions to Ordinance #196, an ordinance regulating the sale of tobacco products and edible cannabinoid products. They approved the revisions and instructed the clerk to have the new ordinance published in the paper. The council also determined that there should be a \$50.00 license fee, separate from the \$50.00 cigarette/tobacco fee, to sell cannabinoid products in the City of Adams.

Motion made by Michael Cherney, seconded by Ella Noterman, to approve and publish Ordinance #196, and to establish a \$50.00 license fee to sell cannabinoid products in the City of Adams. Votes in favor: Ella Noterman, Karen Ruechel, Christopher Quale and Michael Cherney. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Building Permits:

Motion made by Karen Ruechel, seconded by Karen Ruechel, to approve a building permit to construct window wells at 203 Water Street NW. Votes in favor: Ella Noterman, Karen Ruechel, Christopher Quale and Michael Cherney. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Gambling Permits:

Motion made by Ella Noterman, seconded by Karen Ruechel, to approve a gambling permit to the Adams Town & Country Recreation Corporation for a raffle that will take place at the Adams Swimming Pool on 8/12/2023. Votes in favor: Ella Noterman, Karen Ruechel, Christopher Quale and Michael Cherney. Votes against: None Motion carried.

No further business.

Motion made by Michael Cherney, seconded by Ella Noterman to adjourn at 6:08 PM. Votes in favor: Ella Noterman, Michael Cherney, Christopher Quale and Karen Ruechel. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Jake Goodale
Clerk/ Treasurer