

## REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a regular meeting was duly held at City Hall at 7:00 PM on the 14th day of March 2023.

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

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: Karen Ruechel, Michael Cherny, Ella Noterman and Christopher Quale. Votes against: None Motion carried.

### **Approval of Minutes:**

Motion made by Ella Noterman, seconded by Michael Cherney, to approve February 28<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes as presented. Votes in favor: Karen Ruechel, Michael Cherney, Ella Noterman and Christopher Quale. Votes against: None Motion carried.

### **Approval of Timecards:**

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

### **Old Business:**

Troy Hanna has looked at the Emergency Services Building and is in the process of providing the City of Adams with a quote to repaint the walls within the meeting room and the hallways. The clerk informed the council that he is pursuing a new lead on a piece of land that could potentially be used for a Veteran's Memorial. Councilwoman Noterman has been in talks with a grant writer who could help obtain grants for the Adams Fire Department. They discussed the FEMA Grant, the Freeborn Mower Grant, the Firehouse Subs Grant, the DNR Grant, and the Worth County Grant. Ultimately, councilwoman Noterman decided she would help write grants for the Adams Fire Department with help from both the Fire Chief Dillon Heimer and the city clerk.

### **Police Report:**

None to report

### **Fire Department Report:**

The Adams Fire Department has responded to seven calls from January 1<sup>st</sup> to February 28<sup>th</sup>.

Motion made by Karen Ruechel, seconded by Ella Noterman, to accept Al Schmitz's resignation from the Adams Fire Department. Votes in favor: Karen Ruechel, Michael Cherney, Ella Noterman and Christopher Quale. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Motion made by Karen Ruechel, seconded by Christopher Quale, to accept the addition of Matt Heimer to the Adams Fire Department roster. Votes in favor: Karen Ruechel, Michael Cherney, Ella Noterman and Christopher Quale. Votes against: None Motion carried.

### **Maintenance Department Report:**

The maintenance department purchased a new pump for the treatment plant at Crane Pump for \$11,600.00, which was \$100.00 more than the \$11,500.00 budgeted for in Capital Outlay for 2023. Two sewer inspections were conducted in February. One at 400 Bergen Street and another at 108 3<sup>rd</sup> Street NW. Some dead trees and rogue limbs were trimmed at the Adams City Park. One of the city pickup trucks had a U-joint replaced. The maintenance crew has been busy researching old building reports to gather information for the lead and copper inventory report that will need to be completed this year. A gear motor has been sent to TEC Industrial to be rebuilt. The maintenance department will be talking to Logan Kirtz to see if he could fashion some kind of support to stabilize the flagpoles displayed around town to prevent them from bending in the wind. The council also suggested that we get a quote from Schneider's Welding & Repair.

### **Prairie Visions Report:**

The upcoming bike ride and the need for volunteers were discussed at the February Prairie Visions meeting.

### **Approval of Bills:**

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

Motion made by Michael Cherney, seconded by Ella Noterman to approve payment of the bills as presented. Votes in favor: Karen Ruechel, Michael Cherney, Ella Noterman and Christopher Quale. Votes against: None Motion carried.

### **Financial Report:**

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

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

### **Building Permits:**

Motion made by Ella Noterman, seconded by Michael Cherney, to approve the issuance of a building permit to Jerome Mullenbach to install a 12' x 13' deck on the back of his house at 510 West Main Street. Votes in favor: Karen Ruechel, Michael Cherney, Ella Noterman and Christopher Quale. Votes against: None Motion carried.

### **Gambling Permits:**

Motion made by Christopher Quale, seconded by Ella Noterman, to approve the issuance of a gambling permit to the Southland Youth Clay Target Team to conduct a raffle at the Adams American Legion on May 20, 2023. Votes in favor: Karen Ruechel, Michael Cherney, Ella Noterman and Christopher Quale. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Motion made by Karen Ruechel, seconded by Ella Noterman, to adjourn at 7:40 PM. Votes in favor: Karen Ruechel, Michael Cherney, Ella Noterman and Christopher Quale. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Jake Goodale

Clerk/ Treasurer