

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

April 10th, 2018

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof a regular meeting was duly held at City Hall at 7:00 PM on the 10th day of April, 2018.

Council present: Nancy Thalberg, Gail Anderson, Paul Kirtz, Karen Ruechel, and Peter Schmitz.

Council absent: None.

Mayor Nancy Thalberg presided at the meeting.

Motion made by Anderson, seconded by Kirtz, to approve the City Council meeting agenda with the additions: emergency services building rental policy, flashing speed sign update, dog park update, street reconstructions, 322 bank building update. Votes in favor: Anderson, Kirtz, Ruechel, and Schmitz. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Craig Popenhagen of Clifton Larson Allen was present to review the annual city audit report for 2017. Craig stated that the 2017 expenditures were in line with the 2017 budget. Craig reported that no significant adjustments were required to the 2017 financial statement during the audit. A clean opinion was received on legal compliances. Motion made by Kirtz, seconded by Schmitz, to accept the Clifton Larson Allen 2017 financial audit. Votes in favor: Anderson, Kirtz, Ruechel, and Schmitz. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Motion made by Ruechel, seconded by Anderson, to approve the March 13th, 2018 minutes as recorded. Votes in favor: Anderson, Kirtz, Ruechel, and Schmitz. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Michael Gehrke presented the March, 2018 police report. The report lists 10 warning tickets, 2 fire/ambulance assists, and 6 law enforcement assists. Mike reported that one person was arrested for felony forgery and theft. One arrest was made for a tractor incident. Deputy assisted Mower County at a large minor consuming party near Leroy. A traffic stop in Adams resulted in a DUI arrest and felony possession of meth.

Fire Chief Curt Sheely presented the Fire Department report for March. Curt reported that the Department responded to three calls since the last meeting. Calls involved one tractor accident, one preparation for a house burn, and one false alarm for burnt food at a residential address. Curt reported that 2 volunteers have finished fire fighter 2 training. Curt reported that three SBBA units have been repaired and that 2 SCBA units are outdated and have been put out of service.

Al Sorenson presented the maintenance report for March. Al reported that the street signs for the road construction projects are ordered and will be placed as weather permits. The department is still looking into ways to restore the rubber coating on the park playground equipment. The new skid loader has been put into use. Craig and Al attended a three day water school in Rochester last month. Al reported that the snow plow truck has a leaking power steering pump the will need repaired. Two sewer line issues have been detected on 5th Street, one is a residential service line, the other appears to be the main, both issues are scheduled for repair this week.

The bills payable were reviewed.

Motion made by Kirtz, seconded by Anderson, to approve payment of bills as submitted. Votes in favor: Anderson, Kirtz, Ruechel, and Schmitz. Votes against: None Motion carried.

The city clerk presented the February 28th, 2018 financial statements. Jim Kiefer pointed out that the water fund has a positive balance of \$46,234.00. Approximately \$30,000.00 is dedicated to repainting the water tower. Motion made by Kirtz, seconded by Schmitz, to approve the financial statement as presented. Votes in favor: Anderson, Kirtz, Ruechel, and Schmitz. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Motion made by Ruechel, seconded by Anderson, to approve a building permit to John Wagner (500 Bergen St) for construction of 10' X 10' addition between his house and garage. Votes in favor: Anderson, Kirtz, Ruechel, and Schmitz. Votes against: None Motion carried

Motion made by Schmitz, seconded by Ruechel, to approve liquor licenses for the American Legion Club. The liquor licenses are for June 8th, 2018 on Commerce Street in back of the Legion Club, and for June 10th, 2018 in the Adams Park. The licenses are contingent on receiving proof of liquor liability insurance. Votes in favor: Anderson, Kirtz, Ruechel, and Schmitz. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Motion made by Anderson, seconded by Kirtz, to approve a liquor license for the Adams Booster Club. The liquor license is for June 9th, 2018 Commerce Street between 2nd Street and 3rd Street. The license is contingent on receiving proof of liquor liability insurance. Votes in favor: Anderson, Kirtz, Ruechel, and Schmitz. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Discussion was held on a request from the Adams American Legion Club to use City property for a fireworks display on June 10th, 2018. A decision was tabled due to the fact that as of today the City does not own the property being considered. Closing on the property is expected in the next couple of weeks. The subject will be revisited at the April 24th council meeting.

City Clerk Jim Kiefer informed the City Clerk that the appliance clean-up day is scheduled for May 5th, 2018. Complete Appliance Demanufacturing Company will be in Adams at 7:00 am to begin pick up of appliances.

Motion made by Kirtz, seconded by Ruechel, to approve a contract with Central Tank Coatings Inc. from Elgin Iowa, to repaint the exterior of the water tower. Central Tank Coatings contract price to paint the exterior of the tower is \$29,950.00. Votes in favor: Anderson, Kirtz, Ruechel, and Schmitz. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Motion made by Anderson, seconded by Ruechel, to approve a 5 year maintenance contract with Central Tank Coatings Inc. from Elgin Iowa, to clean and inspect the interior of the water tower. Central Tank Coatings 5 year contract price to clean the interior of the tower is \$1,800.00 annually. Votes in favor: Anderson, Kirtz, Ruechel, and Schmitz. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Discussion was held on allowing the community to use the Emergency Services building for showers, Christmas parties, and other community needs. Mayor Thalberg appointed herself, City Clerk Jim Kiefer, and Fire Chief Curt Sheely to a committee to research policies and rates for renting the meeting room. The committee will report back at the next regular council meeting.

City Clerk Jim Kiefer was directed to invite the City Engineer to the Council meeting scheduled for April 24th, at the Nursing Home. The council along with the planning commission will review concepts for a development of property in North Park Addition.

Mayor Thalberg reported that restoration work is almost complete at the 322 bank building. Over 40 volunteers have helped to clean, paint, and restore furniture in the interior of the building. The Historical Society is now receiving items for display in the building.

City Clerk Jim Kiefer reported that he is still looking into different models of a solar speed control sign for Hwy 56. No sign has been ordered as of this meeting.

Discussion was held on progress of the dog park to be located next to the City Park. The city clerk was directed to contact Emily Hovden for more details on progress of the project.

Motion made by Anderson, seconded by Ruechel, to adjourn. Votes in favor: Anderson, Kirtz, Ruechel, and Schmitz. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Jim Kiefer

Clerk/ Treasurer