

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

May 10th, 2022

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 May 2022.

Council present: Michael Cherney, Ella Noterman, Paul Kirtz and Karen Ruechel.

Council absent:

Mayor: Brian Anderson presided over the meeting.

Agenda:

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

Approval of Minutes:

Motion made by Karen Ruechel, seconded by Ella Noterman, to approve the April 26th, 2022 meeting minutes with the correction of notating Ella Noterman as absent from the meeting. Votes in favor: Ella Noterman, Michael Cherney, Paul Kirtz and Karen Ruechel. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Approval of Timecards:

Motion made by Michael Cherney, seconded by Paul Kirtz, to approve the April time cards. Votes in favor: Ella Noterman, Michael Cherney, Paul Kirtz and Karen Ruechel. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Mike Zillgitt Resignation:

Mike Zillgitt, the engineer who helped the city with the North Side Park 2nd Addition, attended the meeting to discuss his resignation at KLJ Engineering. He will be moving towards the future in a new direction, but he did want the council to know that he would always be willing to try and answer any questions that may come up.

Police Report:

Paul Kirtz informed the council that 12 incidents were responded to within the City of Adams for the month of April, and 130+ hours were spent patrolling the city and responding to calls.

CLA Audit Review:

Craig Popenhagen of Clifton Larson Allen was present to review the annual city audit report for 2021. Craig stated that the 2021 expenditures were in line with the 2021 budget. Craig reported that no significant adjustments were required to the 2021 financial statement and that the results of the audit were good.

Fire Department Report:

No news to report.

Old Business:

The council discussed the review of the tax abatement policy. While the clerk was attempting to rewrite portions of the policy he came upon some problems, and he thought the policy should be reexamined again. The council asked the clerk to speak to the assessor at Mower County to get some opinions on how they handle the same types of problems.

The clerk discussed the matter of the 2020 street project and how the City still has not received a final bill for the project. The clerk was informed by the project engineer that the project has been drawn out by ongoing paperwork that needs to be provided for the PFA loan, which the city used to pay for a portion of the project.

Maintenance Department Report:

The maintenance department and the city clerk were in Taopi on April 14th and 15th helping out the tornado victims after the EF2 tornado ripped through their city on the evening of March 12th. The city provided a grapple bucket attachment, their dump truck and their yellow service truck for loading and hauling away fallen trees and branches.

The maintenance crew worked on repairing a water leak on the West end of town just north of Hwy 56 on April 26th.

The maintenance department flushed hydrants on April 28th, 29th and 30th.

The maintenance department turned the water on at the campgrounds on May 10th. The campgrounds are now officially and fully open for the spring, summer and fall months.

A camper has been abandoned at the City Park Campgrounds. The council advised the clerk to call a towing company to get rid of it.

The maintenance department informed the council that some erosion work will need to be completed at the North Side Park 2nd Addition this spring. There will be some skid work that will need to be done, we will have to hire an excavator to clean some silt deposits out of the storm pond, we will have to put down some more erosion blankets in spots and we will have drag and seed some areas better.

Approval of Bills:

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

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

Financial Report:

The city clerk presented the March 31st, 2022 financial statements.

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

Prairie Visions Report:

Three bike rides will occur on the Shooting Star Trail through the City of Adams on 6/11/2022 during Dairy Days. There will be a 20 mile ride and a 40 mile ride which will solely be ridden on the Shooting Star Trail and their will be a 75 mile ride which will be ridden on the Shooting Start Trail and other roads.

Lodi Township Election Location:

Lodi Township utilized the town hall in Taopi as a site to hold its elections. Since the tornado on April 12th destroyed that structure, Lodi Township has asked the City of Adams if they could use its City Hall to hold the township's elections for the year of 2022.

Motion made by Paul Kirtz, seconded by Ella Noterman, to approve the use of Adams City Hall as Lodi Township's election location for the year of 2022. Votes in favor: Ella Noterman, Michael Cherney, Paul Kirtz and Karen Ruechel. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Adams Booster Club Liquor License:

The Adams Booster Club has applied for a liquor license to sell 3.2 malt liquors on the South Side of the 3rd Block of Commerce Street from June 10th until midnight of June 12th during Dairy Days.

Motion made by Karen Ruechel, seconded by Michael Cherney, to approve the liquor license application mad by the Adams Booster Club for the sale of 3.2 male liquors from June 10th until midnight June 12th. Votes in favor: Paul Kirtz, Michael Cherney and Karen Ruechel. Ella Noterman Abstains. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Gambling Permit:

The Adams Town & Recreation Corporation applied for a gambling permit for a raffle which would be held on September 4th, 2022 at the Adams Swimming Pool.

Motion made by Ella Noterman, seconded by Paul Kirtz, to approve the gambling permit to the Adams Town & Recreation Corporation for a raffle to be held September 4th, 2022 at the Adams Swimming Pool. Votes in favor: Ella Noterman, Michael Cherney, Paul Kirtz and Karen Ruechel. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Vehicle and Trailer Parking Ordinance:

There have been complaints about campers and trailers being parked on the City Streets. The clerk was asked to send out letters to people who may have trailers or campers parked on the street reminding them of the Vehicle Parking Ordinance.

Motion made by Paul Kirtz, seconded by Karen Ruechel, to adjourn at 7:55 PM. Votes in favor: Ella Noterman, Michael Cherney, Paul Kirtz and Karen Ruechel. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Jake Goodale

Clerk/ Treasurer