

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

May 21st, 2019

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof a special meeting was duly held at City Hall on the 21st day of May, 2019 at 7:00 pm.

Council present: Brian Anderson, Michael Cherney, Paul Kirtz, Karen Ruechel, and Peter Schmitz.

Council absent: None.

Mayor Brian Anderson presided at the meeting.

Mower County Sheriff Steve Sanvick was present at the City Council meeting to address questions the City Council may have in signing a contract with Mower County for police protection. The contract will provide police services for \$75,855.00 for 2019 (to be prorated), and \$77,909.00 for 2020. A motion was made by Paul Kirtz, seconded by Peter Schmitz to sign the contract for police services from Mower County Sheriff's Department. Votes in favor: Schmitz, Kirtz, and Ruechel. Votes against: Cherney.

Motion made by Kirtz, seconded by Schmitz, to approve a building permit to Rodger Torgerud (13 Lions Street) for construction of a deck. Votes in favor: Cherney, Kirtz, Ruechel, and Schmitz. Votes against: None Motion carried.

City Clerk Jim Kiefer updated the City Council on the 2020 street project. A request was sent to the City Engineer to remove sidewalk replacements from the plans. A water shut off will be installed on all services before the sidewalk. A request was also made to make all of 5th Street the same width as the section between Water Street and Lewison Street. City resident Russell Retterath suggested that the section of street between Hwy 56 and Bergen Street be left the same width to allow for semi-trailer access out of the alley between Hwy 56 and Bergen Street. The City Engineer was directed to remove replacement of the intersection of Water Street and 5th Street from the plans. This intersection has already been reconstructed. The Engineer was directed to re-calculate the assessments with the recommended changes.

City Clerk Jim Kiefer reported on the interviews held for the Nursing Home Administrator position. A committee consisting of Brian Anderson, Georgette Hinkle, and Jim Kiefer held phone interviews with two applicants. After phone interviews the two applicants were offered personal interviews. One applicant dropped out of consideration for personal reasons. A motion was made by Kirtz, seconded by Ruechel, to perform a background check on the remaining candidate for the Nursing Home administrator position. Votes in favor: Cherney, Kirtz, Ruechel, and Schmitz. Votes against: None Motion carried. Upon approval of the background check the interview committee was directed to establish a wage and benefit package for the administrator.

Council member Mike Cherney presented a request from Prairie Vision group to place a bench and bike fixit station at the intersection of the bike trail and 4th Street. After some discussion the City council felt a better option would be to place the bench and fixit station at the east entrance of the City Park. City Clerk Jim Kiefer was directed to relay the information to Prairie Visions.

Mayor Brian Anderson closed the meeting to discuss a letter of intent from Colony Court Senior Living Solutions, Waseca, Minnesota. The letter of intent consists of a financial offer to purchase the Adams Health Care Center.

Mayor Brian Anderson reopened the meeting to the public. Mayor Anderson reported to the citizens in attendance that the City Council decided to sign a letter of intent to purchase the Adams Health Care Center from Colony Court Senior Living Solutions. After some input and questions from citizens in attendance a motion was made by Ruechel, seconded by Kirtz, to sign the letter of intent from Colony Court Senior Living Solutions pending a review from City Attorney Steve Hovey. Votes in favor: Cherney, Kirtz, Ruechel, and Schmitz. Votes against: None Motion carried.

No further business.

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

Meeting adjourned,

Jim Kiefer, City Clerk