

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

March 23rd, 2021

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof a regular meeting was duly held at City Hall at 5:30 PM on the 23rd day of March 2021.

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

Council absent: None

Mayor Brian Anderson presided over the meeting.

Agenda:

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

Adams Booster Club / Dairy Days:

Members from the Adams Booster Club presented the City Council with plans for Dairy Days, scheduled to be celebrated the weekend of June 12th - 13th, 2021. They provided a map showing the parade route and the detours which will be used to circumvent the City during the parade. They also informed the council that the parade will be moved to Saturday night rather than Sunday afternoon this year. Also discussed was the city's willingness and ability to provide liability insurance, garbage receptacles and bathrooms for the celebration.

City wide rummage sales will also be held the same weekend as Dairy Days this year. Anyone who is interested and willing can participate.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion made by Karen Ruechel, seconded by Michael Cherney, to approve the March 9th council meeting minutes as written. Votes in favor: Mike Cherney, Ella Noterman, Paul Kirtz and Karen Ruechel. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Water & Sewer Hookups

A resident within the city limits of Adams was interested in hooking up to the city's water and sewer municipalities to get rid of their septic system and well. The resident wondered if the city would be willing to help out with the costs, but the city was not interested in setting that kind of precedent as they have never helped out with the costs of hooking up water & sewer for any other resident within the city.

Mower County Fair Donation:

The Mower County Fair Board wrote to the City of Adams asking for a donation to support the Mower County Fair. The agenda item was tabled to a later date so the clerk could find out from other cities if they had donated to the fair, and if so what the appropriate amount to donate would be.

Old Business:

The clerk presented the City Council with a merchant agreement from AllPaid to set up the service to accept credit card payments for utility bills. The clerk believes that the service should be available sometime in April, and instruction on how to use the service will be put on the City's website once the service becomes available.

The city has also been talking with Metro Net formerly Jaguar Communications about switching internet and phone services in the City Hall building, the Emergency Services Building and the Treatment Plant. Contracts were sent from Metro Net that ranged from \$125.00 to \$150.00 monthly for their services.

Motion made by Karen Ruechel, seconded by Ella Noterman, to approve the switch internet and phone services at City Hall, the Emergency Services Building and at the Treatment Plant. Votes in favor: Mike Cherney, Ella Noterman, Paul Kirtz and Karen Ruechel. Votes against: None
Motion carried.

Annual Appliance Cleanup:

The city will be conducting a Citywide Appliance Cleanup on May 8th, 2021. Anyone who has any appliances that need to be discarded can contact or come to City Hall and give the clerk your name, address and the number and type of appliances along with a payment for the pickup fees. A list of pickup/disposal fees are as follows:

Washers / Dryers / Stoves / Ovens / Dishwashers / Microwaves / Water Heaters / Dehumidifiers / Air Conditioners / Freezers / Furnaces / Cooling Units ect **\$5.00 Each**

Television / Computer Monitors 19” and under **\$25.00 Each**

Television / Computer Monitors 20 to 27” **\$30.00 Each**

Television / Computer Monitors 28” and larger **\$35.00 Each**

Computer CPU’s, non-commercial printers and other computing equipment will be removed at no additional charge.

City Maintenance:

Craig Hegge attended the meeting and talked to the City Council about the hydrant located South of Southland High School North of the intersection of 3rd St and Water Street. It was determined that during the construction at the school last summer the hydrant was located improperly and was not connected to the main correctly, which has been causing some water issue with a handful of residents. The City Maintenance Department is working to correct this matter and has decided, with the advisement from the Adams Fire Department, to move the hydrant further East down water street making Southland School’s driveway more accessible if a fire truck ever did have to connect to the hydrant.

Craig brought in a bid for the blacktop rehabilitation project that will be happening on 1st St this year. The city will wait for a second bid before any decisions are made.

Craig also talked about the State of Minnesota’s increased standards for lead and copper testing and restrictions.

Craig also told the Council that the city clerk and maintenance department will be working together on a new ordinance to reduce the inflow and infiltration into the sanitary sewer system.

No further business.

Motion made by Paul Kirtz, seconded by Ella Noterman, to adjourn at 6:30 PM. Votes in favor: Mike Cherney, Ella Noterman, Paul Kirtz and Karen Ruechel. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Jake Goodale

Clerk/ Treasurer