

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

May 11th, 2021

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof a regular meeting was duly held at City Hall at 7:00 PM on the 11th day of May 2021.

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

Council absent: Paul Kirtz.

Mayor Brian Anderson presided over the meeting.

Agenda:

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

Approval of Minutes:

Motion made by Ella Noterman, seconded by Karen Ruechel, to approve the April 27th, 2021 meeting minutes as presented. Votes in favor: Ella Noterman, Michael Cherney and Karen Ruechel. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Approval of Timecards:

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

North Side Park 2nd Addition:

Mike Zillgitt attended the meeting to let the council know that Jensen Excavating and Trucking were progressing nicely. Sewer and water services have been installed on the West side of Co Rd 7 and the construction crew will be moving to the East side sometime in the following week of 5/17/2021.

Motion made by Ella Noterman, seconded by Karen Ruechel, to approve Jensen Excavating and Trucking pay application in the amount of \$109,914.67 for the work completed to date. Votes in favor: Ella Noterman, Michael Cherney and Karen Ruechel. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Motion made by Ella Noterman, seconded by Karen Ruechel, to approve Jensen Excavating and Trucking change order in the amount of \$3,340.00 for a NPDES Permit, a Mower County Utility Permit and for 150 ton of pipe bedding material. Votes in favor: Ella Noterman, Michael Cherney and Karen Ruechel. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Lot 4, Block 1, was the first lot sold at the North Side Park 2nd Addition on May 5, 2021 to Coty Kirtz for \$33,783.81.

Old Business:

The council looked over the revised Ordinance #190, **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 139, AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING SEWER USE REGULATIONS, CONCERNING POINT OF SALE CERTIFICATIONS WITHIN THE CITY OF ADAMS.**

Motion made by Ella Noterman, seconded by Michael Cherney, to move forward with the publication of Ordinance #190. Votes in favor: Ella Noterman, Michael Cherney and Karen Ruechel. Votes against: None Motion carried.

The council revisited the matter of Rick Hinz connecting to the new sanitary sewer being installed in the North Side Park 2nd Addition. The project engineer estimated that it would probably cost somewhere between \$50,000.00 to \$70,000.00 to extend the sewer that far. Rick Hinz is exploring cheaper options as well and will get back in touch with the council if he decides to proceed.

Police Report:

No new business to report

Fire Department Report:

There was a grass fire that Adams Fire Department responded to as mutual aid to the LeRoy Fire Department.

Talked about the Lions Club using the Fire Hall for their pancake breakfast on June 12, 2021 during Dairy Days. The Fire Chief, Dillon Heimer, did not think that it was necessary for there to be two fire fighters present for the entire event. Instead, Dillon will move the trucks out and monitor the event sporadically. When the event is finished he will then move the trucks back into the Fire Hall.

Maintenance Department Report:

The maintenance department has been busy helping Jensen Excavating & Trucking with the work going on at the subdivision, and they have also been helping BCM Construction with the remaining punch list items left over from last years 2020 street project. They have been busy with the preparations for resurfacing 1st St. NW, Bergen St. and Lewison St. which should be done by May 14, 2021. The maintenance department has also been cleaning up the City Park getting ready for the summer.

Approval of Bills:

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

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

Financial Report:

The city clerk presented the March 31st, 2021 financial statements.

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

Prairie Visions Report:

No new business to report.

Bill Boe Burning Permit:

Motion made by Karen Ruechel, seconded by Michael Cherney, to approve the issuance of a burning permit to Bill Boe with the understanding that Mr. Boe will not be burning during burning ban, the fire will be continuously monitored until completely extinguished and a South wind must be present at the time of the burn. Votes in favor: Ella Noterman, Michael Cherney and Karen Ruechel. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Liquor Sales Behind Legion During Dairy Days:

A representative from the Legion came in to get the council's approval for the sale of liquor behind the Legion during Dairy Days this year. There was a discussion about putting barricades up around a designated area in commerce street that would be monitored by posse and persons checking ID's in the hopes that people of age could purchase there beverages from the Legion and drink them on Commerce Street within the barricaded and monitored area.

Motion made by Karen Ruechel, seconded by Michael Cherney, to approve the sale of alcohol behind the Legion. Votes in favor: Ella Noterman and Karen Ruechel. Votes against: Michael Cherney Motion carried.

Commercial / Industrial Development:

The council decided to start looking at potential spots to develop a commercial/industrial development. The clerk was asked to look at costs incurred by other cities that have developed similar areas as well as looking into potential grant ideas that could help with the financial burden.

Building Permits:

Dan Hamilton applied for a building permit to re-shingle his house, but it was determined by the council that no building permit was necessary. Mr. Hamilton was refunded and informed that a building permit would not be required.

Signage Ordinance:

The council discussed the signage ordinance because of complaints received from a resident about political signs. The council tasked the clerk to look at other city's ordinances and to research the League of Minnesota Cities website for help on the matter. The agenda item was tabled until further information could be found.

No further business.

Motion made by Ella Noterman, seconded by Karen Ruechel, to adjourn at 8:00 PM. Votes in favor: Ella Noterman, Michael Cherney and Karen Ruechel. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Jake Goodale

Clerk/ Treasurer