

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

June 8th, 2021

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof a regular meeting was duly held at City Hall at 7:00 PM on the 8th day of June 2021.

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

Council absent:

Mayor Brian Anderson presided over the meeting.

Agenda:

Motion made by Paul Kirtz, 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 May 25th, 2021 meeting minutes as presented. 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 May timecards. Votes in favor: Ella Noterman, Michael Cherney, Paul Kirtz and Karen Ruechel. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Old Business:

No old business to report

Police Report:

No new business to report

Fire Department Report:

The fire department responded as mutual aid to a shed fire. The department also responded to a anhydrous leak at the Joe Prescott residence.

The Fire Chief, Dillon Heimer, made a formal request to remove Kale Stafford from the fire department due to nonattendance of all meetings and calls over the past year.

Motion made by Paul Kirtz, seconded by Ella Noterman, to approve the removal of Kale Stafford from the fire department. Votes in favor: Ella Noterman, Michael Cherney, Paul Kirtz and Karen Ruechel. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Maintenance Department Report:

The maintenance department has been working on finishing up the 2020 Street Project on 5th Street NW, Bergen Street and Water Street. Grass was reseeded on 5th street and the light pole was installed on Bergen Street. The crosswalks need to be painted and the grass still needs to meet acceptance requirement before the project can be finalized.

The Northside Park 2nd Addition is progressing nicely as Jensen Trucking and Excavating have completed the installation of water and sewer main at Lincoln Street and 3rd Street NW. They are currently stubbing water and sewer service into the lots.

The generator at the City's new pump house is up and running. There is still some more work that needs to be done so that the generator will be able to work autonomously.

Rock was spread in the alleys around town to prepare for the spreading of chloride for dust control. The maintenance guys were also working on acquiring a quote for chip sealing some roads around town.

The maintenance crew has been busy mowing, spraying weeds, cleaning streets and gathering materials in preparation for Dairy Days.

Approval of Bills:

The bills payable for May 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, Paul Kirtz and Karen Ruechel. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Financial Report:

The city clerk presented the April 30th, 2021 financial statements.

Motion made by Michael Cherney, seconded by Paul Kirtz, 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:

Prairie Visions will be staging the Annual Shooting Star Trail Bike Ride on June 19th, 2021. The ride will offer anywhere from a 20-mile exerciser to a 72-mile workout. There was also talk about running a half-marathon (13.11 miles) and a full-marathon (26.22 miles) on the trail, but nothing is for sure as of yet.

Speeding Complaint:

There was a complaint from a resident on 3rd St NW and from residents on 5th St NW about cars speeding up and down the streets. The residents were worried that children who play around those areas were in danger if the traffic was not slowed down. The resident on 3rd St NW requested a four-way stop at the intersection of 3rd St NW and Bergen Street as a solution. The City Clerk did report those areas to the Mower County Sheriff's Department and was assured by the Sherrif Steve Sandvik that extra patrolling would occur on those streets. The council also advised the City Clerk to look into signs that would caution traffic to children playing in the area.

Liquor License Renewal:

The Adams Liquor Store is looking to renew their liquor license for 2021.

Motion made by Michael Cherney, seconded by Ella Noterman, to approve the renewal of Adams Liquor Store's liquor license. Votes in favor: Ella Noterman, Michael Cherney, Paul Kirtz and Karen Ruechel. Votes against: None

Northern Country Coop:

Northern County Coop contacted the City of Adams wondering what would need to happen in order to turn their 17 4th St SW building into housing for employees. This agenda item was tabled until the clerk could look into this matter further..

BCM Payment App #5:

Motion made by Karen Ruechel, seconded by Michael Cherney, to approve BCM Payment App #5 in the amount of \$169,286.03 for the 2020 Street Project. Votes in favor: Ella Noterman, Michael Cherney, Paul Kirtz and Karen Ruechel. Votes against: None

Jensen Trucking & Excavating Payment App #2 / Change Order #2:

Jensen Trucking & Excavating presented the City of Adams with their second Payment App for the North Side Park 2nd Addition Project in the amount of \$133,762.52 and a Change Order in the amount of \$3,946.18 for extra rock to use as pipe bedding and for anode caps.

Motion made by Paul Kirtz, seconded by Ella Noterman, to approve Jensen Trucking & Excavating Pay App #2 in the amount of \$133,762.52 and Change Order #2 in the amount of \$3,946.18. Votes in favor: Ella Noterman, Michael Cherney, Paul Kirtz and Karen Ruechel. Votes against: None

Emergency Services Building Showering Facility:

The council has been asked about providing a male and female showering facility at the Emergency Services Building, which would allow Fire Fighters or EMT's who have become contaminated while on duty to shower down and clean up so they wouldn't have to do so at home. The clerk will gather bids from a couple different companies to see what it will take financially to either build an addition on the North side of the Emergency Services Building to house the showering facility or to remodel the building utilizing existing space within.

Adams Lions Club Gambling Permit:

Motion made by Karen Ruechel, seconded by Ella Noterman, to the Adams Lions Club gambling permit for an even to held in December 2021. Votes in favor: Ella Noterman, Michael Cherney, Paul Kirtz and Karen Ruechel. Votes against: None Motion carried.

No further business.

Motion made by Paul Kirtz, seconded by Karen Ruechel, to adjourn at 7:40 PM. Votes in favor: Ella Noterman, Michael Cherney, Paul Kirtz and Karen Ruechel. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Jake Goodale

Clerk/ Treasurer