

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

September 14th, 2021

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof a regular meeting was duly held at City Hall at 7:00 PM on the 14th day of September 2021.

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

Council absent: Brian Anderson

Assistant Mayor: Paul Kirtz presided over the meeting.

Agenda:

Motion made by Michael Cherney, seconded by Ella Noterman, 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 Karen Ruechel, seconded by Ella Noterman, to approve the August 24th, 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 Ella Noterman, seconded by Karen Ruechel, to approve the August time cards. Votes in favor: Ella Noterman, Michael Cherney and Karen Ruechel. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Old Business:

The clerk presented the council with a draft of Ordinance #191 Motorized Golf Carts, an ordinance regulating the permitting and use of golf carts within the City of Adams, including administrative procedures and providing a penalty for violation. The council looked over the draft of the ordinance and asked the clerk to make some minor changes for another review at the 9/28/2021 meeting.

The clerk informed the council that the city received a quote from Mower County for street signs that would be installed on 5th Street NW and 3rd St NW at \$50.00 per sign, which was \$20.00 more per sign than the previous quote received from Earl F. Anderson.

Police Report:

No business to report

Fire Department Report:

No business to report

Maintenance Department Report:

Maintenance department poured new curb and sidewalk in front of the high school, poured new sidewalk at the NE intersection of Bergan Street and 4th St NW, poured new sidewalk across the alley between 12 3rd St NW and 14 3rd St NW and poured a new curb at the NE intersection of 1st S. NW and Hwy 56. A new water heater was installed at the office at City Hall. Maintenance crew responded to massive rain event that took place on 8/27/2021 – 8/28/2021.

Maintenance department will be looking at some tile lines that were cut during the construction at the North Side Park 2nd Addition and will also be looking some erosion damage caused from the storm on 8/27/2021. The maintenance department is also going to start repairing some catch basins on Commerce Street and doing some cement work at the Emergency Services Building. They have also contacted Boe Brothers Tiling about starting to install some tile at the City Park this fall to get the park project which is being partially funded by the DNR Grant the City received.

Approval of Bills:

The bills payable for August 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 July 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 business to report.

Coty Kirtz Lot Discussion:

Coty Kirtz, who purchased the first lot from the City of Adams at the North side Park 2nd Addition, addressed the council about driveway access to the lots in the new subdivision. He explained that each lot will require a culvert and dirt installed in order to gain access to the lots. He wondered if the purchasers were solely responsible for installing the driveways or if the city would help in this matter. The council decided that they would help with a portion of cost for driveway access to the lots by providing the culvert and enough dirt for driveway with a 12 foot top.

Proposed 2022 Budget:

Discussion was held on the proposed 2022 budget and proposed tax levy. The city clerk presented the proposed 2022 General Fund and Debt Service Fund budget totaling \$831,025.00, and a proposed tax levy of \$425,000.00. Capital outlay items include a new roof for treatment plant (\$5000.00), new piping for the treatment plant (\$10,000.00), updates to the history center (\$5000.00) and updates to City Park (\$35,000.00). A total of \$60,350.00 was proposed for General Fund transfers. Proposed transfers from the General Fund include \$10,000.00 to the 322 Building Fund, \$6000.00 to the Contingency Fund, \$24,350.00 to the Fire Department Fund, and \$20,000.00 to the Street Maintenance Fund (designate \$10,000.00 for seal coating, \$10,000.00 for a new City pickup). Other transfers include \$28,000.00 from the Water Fund to Sewer Fund, \$2300.00 from the Sewer Fund to Sewer Replacement Fund. The 2020 budget would increase 1.44%, and the tax levy would increase 1.29%.

Resolution No. 10-2021:

Motion made by Ella Noterman, seconded by Michael Cherney, to approve Resolution No. #10-2021, a resolution adopting the proposed 2022 budget as presented and setting a date and time for all Adams residents to attend a public hearing to express their opinions on the budget on

December 14th, 2021 at 7:00 PM at Adams City Hall. Votes in favor: Ella Noterman, Michael Cherney and Karen Ruechel. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Resolution No. 11-2021:

Motion made by Michael Cherney, seconded by Karen Ruechel, to approve Resolution No. #11-2021, a resolution adopting the proposed 2022 tax levy as presented. Votes in favor: Ella Noterman, Michael Cherney and Karen Ruechel. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Southland Sportsmen's Club Raffle Permit:

Motion made by Karen Ruechel, seconded by Ella Noterman, to approve a one day raffle permit to the Southland Sportsmen's Club for a raffle to be held October 16th 2021 at the Adams American Legion. Votes in favor: Ella Noterman, Michael Cherney and Karen Ruechel. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Jensen Excavating Payment App #5:

Motion made by Ella Noterman, seconded by Karen Ruechel, to accept Payment Application #5 provided by Jensen Excavating & Trucking in the amount of \$17,224.44 for work performed at the North Side Park Addition. Votes in favor: Ella Noterman, Michael Cherney and Karen Ruechel. Votes against: None Motion carried.

MetroNet Revised Franchise Agreement:

Motion made by Ella Noterman, seconded by Michael Cherney, to accept the franchise agreement, revised by Brian Grogan from the Moss & Barnett Law Firm, and to present it to MetroNet for their opinions. Votes in favor: Ella Noterman, Michael Cherney and Karen Ruechel. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Building Permits:

Motion made by Ella Noterman, seconded by Karen Ruechel, to approve Bill Boe's building permit to build a new home in Adams at the new Boe Subdivision. Votes in favor: Ella Noterman, Michael Cherney and Karen Ruechel. Votes against: None Motion carried

No further business.

Motion made by Michael Cherney, seconded by Karen Ruechel, to adjourn at 8:10 PM. Votes in favor: Ella Noterman, Michael Cherney and Karen Ruechel. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Jake Goodale

Clerk/ Treasurer