

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2016

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 June, 2016.

Council present: Mark Anderson, Gail Anderson, Paul Kirtz, and Peter Schmitz.

Council absent: Barry Kurtz.

Mayor Mark Anderson presided at the meeting.

Motion made by Kirtz, seconded by G. Anderson, to approve the May 10<sup>th</sup>, and June 3rd, 2016 City Council meeting minutes with one deletion. Votes in favor: G. Anderson, Kirtz, and Schmitz. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Minnesota Energy Resources external relations manager Stan Shreve presented a request to the Adams City Council to grant a natural gas franchise to Minnesota Energy. Motion made by Kirtz, seconded by G. Anderson, to approve Ordinance #185, an ordinance granting a non-exclusive natural gas franchise to Minnesota Energy Resources. Votes in favor: G. Anderson, Kirtz, and Schmitz. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Mower County Commissioner Polly Glynn attended the meeting to update the City Council on a request to have Mower County participate in a tax abatement program for new single family and multi-family housing construction. Polly explained that Mower County is considering a 5 year tax abatement program to promote new housing construction. The tax abatement would be on the improvement to the property. Polly is visiting with the town councils to explain the program and advise the Cities and Townships that they also could join in the tax abatement program.

Police Chief Michael Gehrke presented the May, 2016 police report. The report lists 6 warning tickets, 2 law enforcement assists, and 4 ambulance/fire assists. Chief Gehrke presented a resignation letter from Mike Cherney. Motion made by Kirtz, seconded by Schmitz to accept Mike Cherney's resignation letter effective June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016. Votes in favor: G. Anderson, Kirtz, and Schmitz. Votes against: None Motion carried. Mike will begin the search for a replacement part-time police officer.

Fire Department Chief Craig Schaefer reviewed the Department's activities for the past month. The Department responded to a missing person call, a bus/van accident, and a gas leak in the past month. Craig informed the City Council that the Rural Board's fire truck should be arriving in approximately three weeks.

The bills payable were reviewed.

Motion made by Kirtz, seconded by G. Anderson, to approve payment of bills as submitted. Votes in favor: G. Anderson, Kirtz, and Schmitz. Votes against: None Motion carried.

The city clerk presented the April 30th, 2016 financial statements. The City Clerk informed the City Council that the Mower County tax settlement check should arrive in June, and the State LGA check will arrive in July.

Motion made by Kirtz, seconded by Schmitz to approve a building permit to Ron Boe (305 4<sup>th</sup> St NW) for construction of a 16” X 20” deck. Votes in favor: G. Anderson, Kirtz, and Schmitz. Votes against: None Motion carried

Motion made by Kirtz, seconded by Schmitz, to approve a building permit to Ronald Milks (301 4<sup>th</sup> St NW) for a 24’ curb cut along Lewison Street. Votes in favor: G. Anderson, Kirtz, and Schmitz. Votes against: None Motion carried

Mayor Mark Anderson presented the Prairie Visions report for May. Mark reported that a memorial dedication was held at the “church” shelter. The annual bike ride will be held June 25<sup>th</sup>, beginning at the Rose Pedaler in Rose Creek. A bike rack and two bicycles have been placed in back of Adams City Hall to begin a Red Bike program.

Mayor Anderson updated the City Council on the Highway 56 street project scheduled for 2017. A meeting with the City Engineers and Minnesota Department of Transportation representatives was held to discuss parking lanes through the City of Adams. Project Manager David Tsang presented maps showing different size parking lanes along the construction project. David estimated that the city could save \$60,000.00 to \$70,000.00 on the project by installing 12 foot parking lanes along the entire construction route. The City Council approved 12 foot parking lanes throughout the route. A suggestion to plant decorative trees along the sidewalks between Fourth Street and Third Street was rejected by the City Council. The City Council did approve curb bump outs at the intersection of 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> Streets. The curb bump outs will allow safer pedestrian crossings at the three intersections.

Motion made by G. Anderson, seconded by Kirtz, to approve Ordinance #184, an ordinance amending Ordinance #153, requiring all City buildings and residences to be connected to the municipal water system, and prohibiting the use of private water supplies and wells. Votes in favor: G. Anderson, Kirtz, and Schmitz. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Motion made by Kirtz, seconded by Schmitz, to approve Resolution #07-2016, a resolution appointing election judges for the 2016 primary and general elections. Votes in favor: G. Anderson, Kirtz, and Schmitz. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Motion made by G. Anderson, seconded by Schmitz, to approve resolution #06-2016, a resolution ordering I & S Group engineers to prepare a report on improvements to Schmitz Street between Main Street and Bergen Street. Votes in favor: G. Anderson, Kirtz, and Schmitz. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Motion made by Kirtz, seconded by Schmitz, to approve an off-sale intoxicating liquor license to Shrutiben M. Patel for a business to be called Adams Liquor Store. License is contingent on providing the required proof of liquor liability insurance, and passing background check. Votes in favor: G. Anderson, Kirtz, and Schmitz. Votes against: None Motion carried.

A quote was received from Surety Waterproofing Company to restore the west wall of the water works building after completion of the well sealing process. The quote was \$5480.00. Action on replacing the wall was tabled until the next council meeting.

A quote was received from Surety Waterproofing Company to tuck point and replace broken bricks on the 322 Bank building wing pillars. The quote for this work was \$4280.00. Action on tuck pointing and replacing bricks was tabled until the next council meeting.

Motion made by G. Anderson, seconded by Kirtz, to approve Resolution #08-2016, a resolution accepting a donation from an anonymous donor of a Res-Q-Jack Super X 3-point Technical Rescue Kit for automotive extrication and confined spaces. Votes in favor: G. Anderson, Kirtz, and Schmitz. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Motion made by Kirtz, seconded by Schmitz, to adjourn. Votes in favor: G. Anderson, Kirtz, and Schmitz. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Jim Kiefer

Clerk/ Treasurer