

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
May 13th, 2014

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof a regular meeting was duly held at City Hall at 7:00 PM on the 13th day of May, 2014.

Council present: LeRoy Swanson, Mark Anderson, Paul Kirtz, and Barry Kurtz.

Council absent: Rick Hinz.

Mayor LeRoy Swanson presided at the meeting.

Motion made by Kirtz, seconded by Kurtz, to approve the April 8th, and April 22nd, 2014 minutes as recorded. Votes in favor: Anderson, Kirtz, and Kurtz. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Dorothy Bergene addressed the City Council with concerns over water accumulating in her back yard. Dorothy stated that the water does not drain to the street because the property to the west of hers was filled in with dirt. Dorothy also stated that the culvert west of her property is closed. Mayor Swanson reminded Dorothy that the City of Adams did not cause the water problem. The mayor stated that it is hard for the City to control what happens on private property. There are no ordinances controlling dirt placement on private property. The Mayor advised Dorothy that she has the alternative to take the adjoining neighbor to court for causing damage to her property. After a lengthy discussion with numerous residents from the neighborhood, a motion was made by Kurtz, seconded by Kirtz, directing the City Clerk to send a letter to Matt Simon requesting he open the culvert on the west side of his driveway to see if the water will drain from Dorothy's property. Votes in favor: Anderson, Kirtz, and Kurtz. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Police Chief Michael Gehrke presented the April, 2014 police report. The report lists 1 administrative ticket, 1 fire call, and 3 warning tickets. Mike reported that he attended the police chief's convention in Rochester last month. Mike also reported that the new LETG computer system will be ready for use by all county law enforcement agencies very soon.

The bills payable were reviewed.

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

City Clerk Jim Kiefer reported that he met with the Fire Chief Craig Schaefer at the last Fire Department meeting concerning replacement of the cement approach to the Fire Hall. The City maintenance department will be replacing the approach as weather permits.

The city clerk presented the March 31st, 2014 financial statements. Motion made by Kurtz, seconded by Anderson, to approve the financial statement as presented. Votes in favor: Anderson, Kirtz, and Kurtz. Votes against: None Motion carried.

The Prairie Visions report was presented by City Clerk Jim Kiefer. The April meeting was held in the Rose Creek City Hall. Planning continues for the upcoming Prairie Visions Bike Ride. The bike ride will be held June 28th, 2014. The ride will begin and end in LeRoy, Mn. A model of a shelter designed by Ken Hartwig was displayed at the meeting. If construction funds are available the shelter will be placed along the bike trail between Adams and Rose Creek.

Motion made by Kirtz, seconded by Anderson, to approve a building permit to GC Schaefer, LLC (410 Lincoln St. NW) for construction of a deck and front steps, Tina Wollenburg (202 Main Street) for placement of a privacy fence, Osmundson Bros Implement (211 Main St.) for replacement of a sign, and to Dan Shaw (102 Main Street) for construction of a garage, front porch, and egress windows (contingent on receiving written permission from neighbors to infringe on the side yard setback requirements). Votes in favor: Anderson, Kurtz, and Kirtz. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Discussion was held on possibly sending out a survey to City of Adams residents to see how much support and how many dollars residents would be willing to spend on a new swimming pool. The City Clerk was directed to put together a survey and request the pool board meet with the City Council to review the survey before mailing it to residents.

Discussion was held on Dairy Days celebration to be held June 6th, 7th, and 8th, 2014. A request was made from the Adams Booster Club to have the City provide the full amount of the liability insurance

for the event. Jim Kiefer reminded the City Council that the liability insurance cost was calculated into the budget as in previous years.

Motion made by Anderson, seconded by Kirtz, to have the City Clerk contact Complete Appliance De-manufacturing (CAD). Votes in favor: Anderson, Kurtz, and Kirtz. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Motion was made by Kirtz, seconded by Anderson, to approve a 1 day on-sale liquor license to the Sons of the American Legion Club (contingent on the City of Adams receiving proof of the Club's liquor liability insurance). Votes in favor: Anderson, Kirtz, and Swanson. Votes against: None Abstained: Kurtz Motion carried.

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

Meeting adjourned.

Jim Kiefer

Clerk/ Treasurer