

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

September 11th, 2012

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 September, 2012.

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

Council absent: None.

Mayor LeRoy Swanson presided at the meeting.

Motion made by Anderson, seconded by Kurtz, to approve the August 21st, 2012 minutes with one correction. The motion to accept Schmitz Electric bid for six electrical pedestals in the City Park as stated in the minutes should have stated three shared electrical panels at a cost of 5860.00. Votes in favor: Anderson, Hinz, Kirtz, and Kurtz. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Police Chief Mike Gehrke presented the August 31st, 2012 police report. The report lists 5 state citations, 7 warning tickets, 1 traffic accident, 6 outside agency assists, 3 Fire/Ambulance assists, and 2 criminal reports. Mike introduced part-time police officer Jay Stiles to the City Council. Jay Stiles will begin patrolling Adams within the next two weeks. Chief Gehrke requested that a noise ordinance be adopted by the City of Adams. The Department has responded to numerous noise complaints in the past month. Discussion was held concerning an incident involving a car following a resident on the bike trail. Chief Gehrke was directed to contact the Mower County Sheriffs Department insuring a police report was filed about the incident.

The bills payable were reviewed.

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

The city clerk presented the July 31st, 2012 financial statements. Motion made by Kurtz, seconded by Hinz, to approve the financial statement as presented. Votes in favor: Anderson, Hinz, Kirtz, and Kurtz. Votes against: None Motion carried.

The Prairie Visions report was presented by Jim Kiefer. The August meeting was held in the Adams Emergency Services building. Plans were formalized for the Fall Festival to be held in the Prairie Vision communities on October 6th. Events in the City of Adams include a bike rodeo to be held on the Sacred Heart School parking lot. The boy scouts plan to have a food stand at the rodeo. Adams Police Chief Mike Gehrke addressed the Prairie Visions group over concerns of safety on the bike trail. Jerry Utz will look into purchasing signs with emergency phone numbers for placement along the trail.

Motion made by Anderson, seconded by Kirtz, to approve a building permit to Lyle Hoff (507 Vangness Street) for placement of a 10' x 12' storage shed. Votes in favor: Anderson, Hinz, Kurtz, and Kirtz. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the 2013 budget and proposed tax levy. The city clerk presented the proposed 2013 General Fund and Debt Service Fund budget totaling \$594,531.00, and a tax levy of \$254,379.00. Jim Kiefer explained that the increase in the tax levy was do to the 2012 Street project, 70 % of the project was funded through property tax, 30% was funded through resident assessments .

Motion made by Hinz, seconded by Anderson, to approve resolution #08-2012, a resolution adopting the proposed 2013 City budget of \$594,531.00, an increase of 3.04 %, and setting December 11th, 2012 as the date of the truth-in-taxation hearing. The hearing will be held in City Hall at 7:00 pm. Votes in favor: Anderson, Hinz, Kurtz, and Kirtz. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Motion made by Kurtz, seconded by Hinz, to approve resolution #09-2012, a resolution adopting proposed tax levy for 2013. Proposed levy will be \$254,379.00, an increase of 9.31%. Votes in favor: Anderson, Hinz, Kurtz, and Kirtz. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Jim Kiefer updated the City Council on progress of the 2012 Street Project. Sodding along the curbs is scheduled for this week. The second layer of blacktop will be installed next year. A spreadsheet with resident assessment numbers was submitted by the project engineer. Discussion was held regarding the need for a public hearing to present proposed assessments. Motion made by Hinz, seconded by Kirtz to adopt Resolution #10-2012, a resolution to hold a public hearing on the proposed 2012 Street Project

assessments on October 9th, 2012 at 7:00 pm in the Adams City Hall. Votes in favor: Anderson, Hinz, Kirtz, and Kurtz. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Motion made by Anderson, seconded by Kurtz, to approve a water tower rental agreement with Southland Schools. Votes in favor: Anderson, Hinz, Kirtz, and Kurtz. Votes against: None Motion carried.

Discussion was held on a street project proposed by the Mower County Highway Department. Mower County plans to reconstruct Lewison Street between 4th Street and 2nd Street next summer. Motion made by Hinz, seconded by Anderson, directing the City Clerk to cooperate with Mower County in preparing a feasibility report to reconstruct Lewison Street between 4th and 2nd Streets. Votes in favor: Anderson, Hinz, Kirtz, and Kurtz. Votes against: None Motion carried.

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

Jim Kiefer

Clerk/ Treasurer