

OCTOBER 11, 2021

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL: Mayor Reimer called the regular meeting of the Anthon City Council to order on October 11, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. Council members present were Barbara Benson, Mona Kirchgatter, Lisa Petersen and Allan Pithan. Council member Jonathan Kuhlmann was absent. Also present: Amy Buck, Tony Umbach, Craig Handke, Allyson Dirksen, Sgt. Rose, Karen Newman, Polly Pithan and Starla Rook.

AGENDA: Motion by Petersen, seconded by Kirchgatter, to approve the meeting agenda. Carried 4-0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Starla Rook was present to inquire what the City plans for the premises of 207 Cauley Avenue S., Anthon, Iowa 51004. Attorney Dirksen informed filings for property abandonment have been filed. No set plans have been identified should the City obtain legal rights to the premises.

POLICE REPORT: Sgt. Rose was present with the monthly Police report that showed the Deputies patrolled 40 hours and 16 minutes, responded to 3 calls for service and spent 12 hours and 10 minutes at the school.

CONSENT AGENDA: Motion by Petersen, seconded by Kirchgatter, to approve the consent agenda, which includes minutes from September 13, 2021 meeting, financial reports as filed, LIHWAP contract and the Annual Financial Report FYE 6-30-21. Passed with a record vote as follows: ayes – Benson, Kirchgatter, Petersen, and Pithan; nays - none.

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS: Motion by Petersen, seconded by Benson, to approve the list of bills as presented. Carried 4-0.

LEGAL: Allyson Dirksen, attorney, stated filings for property abandonment of the premises at 207 Cauley Ave S, Anthon, IA 51004 was filed. Dirksen and Council discussed seeking new fair market value rates before renewing the farm lease.

KEITH WRIGHT FUNDS: Mayor Reimer and Councilman Pithan are to meet with the Anthon Community Development Corporation (ACDC) members to discuss the proposed plans and needed funding. The ACDC will then be responsible to present the proposal at the next council meeting.

INSURANCE: The annual insurance renewal with Wellmark, Inc. for city employees showed a rate decrease of 3.80%.

CONTRACT: The snow removal contract for 2021/2022 is still pending.

DISCUSSION: The Council discussed Ordinance 122 Peddlers, Solicitors and Transient Merchants and whether food truck vendors need to be added. It was tabled until further notice.

REPORTS/COMMUNICATIONS: Handke to investigate possible costs for repairs to 200 W Main St building. Handke reported the electrical rate study by JEO Consulting will be completed for the November meeting. Clerk reported annual audit to be scheduled. Deputy Clerk reported the budgeted replacement of the utility meter reader and an office printer will be ordered. Reminder: Halloween hours are scheduled for 5:30-7:30pm on October 31, 2021.

September Receipts: General-\$18180.63; RUT-\$9067.96; LOST-\$7003.74; Debt Service-\$2752.67; Water-\$19275.03; Water Cap Project-\$39762.75; Sewer-\$10498.19; Electric-\$58866.17. Total: \$165407.14. Expenses: General-\$14979.69; RUT-\$3415.66; Water-\$10346.70; Water Cap Project-\$1290.75; Sewer-\$10798.33; Electric-\$31734.05. Total: \$72565.18.

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ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Petersen, seconded by Kirchgatter, to adjourn. Carried 4-0. Mayor Reimer proclaimed the meeting adjourned at 6:57 p.m.

Tammy Reimer, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jenifer D. Umbach, City Clerk