

The Anita City Council met in regular session on May 12, 2010, at 7:30 p.m., at City Hall. Mayor Mitch Holmes presided and all council members were present.

Mayor Holmes called the regular meeting to order. Motion by Firebaugh and seconded by Hockenberry to approve the consent agenda as presented. Ayes: All.

Discussion was held regarding the requirement of a certified operator to oversee mandatory wastewater reports filed with the DNR on a monthly basis. Motion by Murphy and seconded by Herzberg to hire Joe Nelsen effective June 1, 2010 as a part time certified wastewater employee with a gross salary of \$500.00 per month. License renewal, minimum continuing education requirements, and attendance of annual conference and expenses involved will be the financial responsibility of the City. Employment will continue on a month to month basis as required. Ayes: All.

Mr. Randy Claussen addressed the council with concerns and questions regarding nuisance abatement and the timelines indicated on written notices he received from the City. A motion was made by Herzberg and seconded by Zimmerman to extend the abatement deadline referencing excess material in the yard an additional ten days with May 23rd as the new deadline. Additional discussion included plans for the house that is uninhabitable due to fire. Mr. Claussen indicated his plans are to rehabilitate the house. The council stressed the deadline identified on the written notice to abate all safety hazards associated with the structure will be strictly enforced. If continuous progress is being made toward the rehabilitation of the house but additional time is needed to complete specific items, a written plan of action with completion dates associated will be reviewed by the property owner, zoning administrator and the council.

Additional discussion regarding nuisance abatement included the review of letters sent to property owners and deadlines associated with each. Action will be taken on nuisances that have not been addressed to the council or abated according to deadlines indicated. Verbal contact will be made by a council member with the property owner of which a letter was received regarding a nuisance.

Mr. Mike Albin with S.W.I.P.C.O. presented an offer to help the City of Anita with a Hazard Mitigation Plan to mitigate the loss of life in the event of a disaster. The plan is offered at no cost to the City. Mr. Albin conducted a short survey with the council which he will use to help prioritize the City's most probable issues. Mr. Albin will attend the next regular scheduled council meeting to go over the City's goals and strategies.

Cecil Denney Jr. presented the council with quotes for the purchase of two pieces of equipment. Motion by Murphy and seconded by Firebaugh to purchase a sander from Truck Equipment, as the lowest bidder, with delivery date on or after July, 1, 2010. Ayes: All. Motion by Herzberg and seconded by Zimmerman to purchase a skid loader from Capital City, as the lowest bidder with delivery on or after July, 1, 2010. Ayes: All.

Discussion was held regarding part time help for the mowing season. Murphy will discuss employment needs with the street superintendent.

Motion by Hockenberry and seconded by Firebaugh to update the community center's ownership page showing new contact. Ayes: All.

Motion by Firebaugh and seconded by Hockenberry to renew the Anita Volunteer Fire Department's liquor license. Ayes: All.

Additional discussion included staffing at the city wide clean up and city hall repairs.

Motion by Zimmerman and seconded by Firebaugh to adjourn. Ayes: All.

Mayor, Mitch Holmes

Attest:

Lindsay Jahde, City Clerk