

The Anita City Council met for a public hearing regarding the sale of property located at 297 Truman Rd., Anita, IA for the construction of a building to be used as a lumberyard. Mayor Pro Tem, Linda Firebaugh presided in Mayor Holmes's absence and all council members were present. Also present were Matt Gettler, Mike Wendt, Mike Albin, and Jim Mailander.

Firebaugh called the public hearing to order at 7:30 p.m. Discussion was held regarding the construction of the building to be used as a lumberyard on the property at 297 Truman Road. Both parties of the written contract agreed there needed to be updates involving construction deadlines. Financing requirements were discussed. In addition discussion was held regarding a drainage issue along Truman Rd. at the proposed building site as a result of dirt work done to change the grade to comply with FEMA flood requirements. Mr. Mike Wendt acknowledged it would be their responsibility to correct the drainage issue. The council and Mr. Wendt came to an agreement with an updated deadline of October 1, 2010 for the construction of a four sided, roofed, enclosed structure to be used as a lumberyard prior to land transfer. Motion by Murphy and seconded by Zimmerman to have Mailander update the contract to indicate the new deadline and the required action prior to the land ownership transfer.

Mike Albin with SWIPCO gathered the council's opinion on points of interest to be included in the updated Hazard Mitigation Plan. Mr. Albin will take the information he gathered and put together an updated plan. Motion by Hockenberry and seconded by Herzberg to set a public hearing for July 9, at 7:30 p.m., at City Hall, during the next regular scheduled council meeting to hear comments if any regarding the updated Hazard Mitigation Plan as presented.

Motion by Herzberg and seconded by Zimmerman to include sewer locates as the responsibility of the City of Anita staff versus A.M.U. Ayes: All.

The city council and staff from the City of Anita as well as MSA Professionals will be going door to door on June 22, 2010 to gather the necessary surveys required to meet the eligibility requirements of the Community Development Block Grant. The City of Anita intends to apply for the grant to help with sewer infrastructure updates.

Motion by Hockenberry and seconded by Zimmerman to hire John Pollock part-time to help with mowing and trimming. Ayes: All. Additional discussion regarding streets included painting lines and repairs needed along the south side of Main Street.

Chief Larsen reported on recent break-ins.

Motion by Hockenberry and seconded by Murphy to approve the clerk attending the Iowa Municipal Professional's Academy in July to complete the three years of required training for certification. Ayes: All.

Motion by Hockenberry and seconded by Herzberg to approve Huffy's Mule Barn liquor license renewal. Ayes: All.

Motion by Murphy and seconded by Herzberg to approve renewal of cigarette permits for Main Street Market, Casey's General Stores, Shooters Tavern, and BJ's Hometown Bar & Grill. Ayes: All.

Resolution 10-13 to approve the sale of city owned property at 297 Truman Rd. was tabled until contract terms are met.

Requirements and recommendations made by the City's workers compensation were reviewed. Discussion included bright colored vests for city employees as well as the costs of physicals for fireman. Additional discussion will follow after clarification of requirements, the impact of penalty towards the premium, and prior to written response being made to the work compensation carrier.

Motion by Hockenberry and seconded by Herzberg to hold a public hearing on July 14, at City Hall, proceeding the regular scheduled meeting to hear a recommendation from the zoning committee. Ayes: All

The City of Anita's tree ordinance was discussed as a result of an inquiry from a property owner. Additional research will be done to determine the property lines.

Motion by Murphy and seconded by Herzberg approving tax abatement on John and Darla Martin's property. Ayes: All.

Additional discussion included nuisance abatement updates, computer software updates, Hilltop Park playground equipment, mosquito spraying and city hall remodeling.

Motion by Hockenberry and seconded by Herzberg to adjourn. Ayes: All.

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Mayor, Mitch Holmes

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Lindsay Jahde, City Clerk