

Anita City Council
December 13th, 2023
6:30 p.m.

The Regular City Council Meeting of the Anita City Council was held December 13th, 2023, at 6:30 PM at the Anita City Hall with Mayor Knutson presiding.

Council Members present were Kevin Littleton, Mark Harris, Simon Jensen, Meghan Dorsey. Absent was Deanna Andrews.

Also, present were Eric Steffensen Street Department Superintendent, Justin Hockenberry City Attorney, Ben Daughenbaugh, Cheryl Sokol, Roger Huffman, Sara Young, and various members of the public were in attendance.

Mayor Knutson called the regular city council meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Motion by Dorsey; second by Jensen to approve the agenda as posted. All voted aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Dorsey, second by Harris to approve the consent agenda including the November 8th, 2023, council meeting minutes, clerk's treasurer's report, and bills as presented. All voted aye. Motion passed.

Public Input was received.

Discussion was held on nuisance abatements.

Oath of office was taken by Mayor Ben Daughenbaugh, and Council Members Cheryl Sokol and Roger Huffman for the term beginning on January 2, 2024.

Motion by Dorsey, second by Littleton to approve Resolution 2023-42 "TO AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF TIF FUNDS TO REPAY DEBT AND CLOSE THE URBAN RENEWAL FUND." Roll Call Vote: Jensen-aye, Harris-aye, Dorsey-aye, Littleton-aye. Andrews-absent. Resolution passed.

Motion by Jensen, second by Dorsey to approve Resolution 2023-43 "TO AUTHORIZE APPROVING PAYMNET OF TIF FUNDS TO ANITA MUNICIPAL UTILITIES." Roll Call Vote: Jensen-aye, Harris-aye, Dorsey-aye, Littleton-aye. Andrews-absent. Resolution passed.

Motion by Dorsey, second by Littleton to approve Resolution 2023-44 "TO AUTHORIZE THE INTERNAL TRANSFER OF TIF FUNDS." Roll Call Vote: Jensen-aye, Harris-aye, Dorsey-aye, Littleton-aye. Andrews-absent. Resolution passed.

Motion by Jensen, second by Harris to approve Resolution 2023-45 “AMENDED BANK SIGNATURES.” Roll Call Vote: Jensen-aye, Harris-aye, Dorsey-aye, Littleton-aye. Andrews-absent. Resolution passed.

Motion by Harris, second by Dorsey to approve Resolution 2023-46 “TO AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS.” Roll Call Vote: Jensen-aye, Harris-aye, Dorsey-aye, Littleton-aye. Andrews-absent. Resolution passed.

Motion by Harris, second by Dorsey to approve Eric Steffensen as Fire Chief for year 2024. All voted aye. Motion passed.

Discussion was held on the United Healthcare Health Insurance Plan renewal for 2024. The plan premium will increase by 4.1 percent. Motion by Dorsey, second by Harris to approve the United Healthcare Health Insurance plan renewal for the 2024 calendar year. All voted aye. Motion passed.

Discussion was held on changing the Dental and Vision Insurances from Untied Healthcare to Delta Dental and Delta Vision for the 2024 calendar year. The Delta brand insurances were presented as an option to increase coverage for the employees without increasing the premium costs. Motion by Harris, second by Jensen to approve the Delta Dental and Delta Vision insurance beginning January 1, 2024. All voted aye. Motion passed.

Discussion was held on the opry house and the adjacent buildings, no action taken.

Motion by Jensen, second by Harris to approve Family Dollar/Dollar Tree Tobacco Permit. All voted aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Jensen, second by Harris to approve Certificate of Occupancy for Family Dollar/Dollar Tree. All voted aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Dorsey, second by Littleton to approve Resolution 2023-47 “APPROVING APPLICATION FOR ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY (FUTURE FUNERAL HOME).” Roll Call Vote: Jensen-aye, Harris-aye, Dorsey-aye, Littleton-aye. Andrews-absent. Resolution passed.

Motion by Harris, second by Jensen to a Pay Application #3 to Blacktop Services Company for the 2023 Street Improvements project in the amount of \$9,705.44. All voted aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Dorsey, second by Jensen to apply for and access internet banking services with FNB. All voted aye. Motion passed.

Public Works Supervisor, Eric Steffensen, provided a safety update, 2023 streets improvements project update, and sewer updates.

Attorney Justin Hockenberry provided an update to the council on nuisance abatements, recodification of ordinances, mowing nuisance, and the annexation process.

The next regular monthly Anita City Council meeting will be January 10th, 2024, at 6:30 pm at the Anita City Hall.

Motion by Harris, second by Jensen, to adjourn at 7:47 pm. All voted aye. Motion passed.

John Knutson, Mayor

ATTEST: Stacy Huss, City Clerk