

Anita City Council
April 13th, 2022
7:30 p.m.

The Regular City Council Meeting of the Anita City Council was held April 13th, 2022 with Mayor Knutson presiding.

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

Also present were Curt Kampman from JEO Consulting Group, Austin Sonntag from Snyder & Associates, Leon Vogl, Sara Young, Sara Maas, Eric Steffensen with the Street Department, and City Attorney Justin Hockenberry

Mayor Knutson called the regular city council meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

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

Motion by Andrews; second by Littleton to approve the consent agenda. All voted aye. Motion passed.

Mayor John Knutson opened the public hearing at 7:31 pm on the pre-application to the USDA Rural Development for financial assistance for replacement of the library roof. Mayor Knutson closed the public hearing with no written or oral comments at 7:35 pm. Motion by Littleton; second by Dorsey to approve Resolution 2022-18 agreeing to apply for financial assistance with the USDA, Rural Development to finance a portion of the cost of constructing improvements to its library roof. Roll call vote: Jensen-aye, Harris-aye, Dorsey-aye, Andrews-aye, Littleton-aye. Resolution passed.

Mayor Knutson opened the public hearing at 7:36 pm on plans, specifications and form of contract for the city hall improvements projects. Mayor Knutson closed the public hearing with no written or oral comments at 7:37pm. Motion by Harris; second by Littleton to approve Resolution 2022-19 approving plans, specifications and form of contract for the city hall improvements projects. Roll call vote: Jensen-aye, Harris-aye, Dorsey-aye, Andrews-aye, Littleton-aye. Resolution passed.

Review of the construction bids for the city hall improvements were presented.

Motion by Jensen; second by Harris to reject Resolution 2022-20 making award of contract for the city hall improvements. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Littleton; second by Andrews to approve agreement between owner and engineer for professional services for the 2022 street improvements projects-pending USDA approval. All voted aye, motion passed.

Motion by Littleton; second by Dorsey to approve Resolution 2022-21 approving credit card for Library Director- Sara Young with \$1,000 limit per purchase. Roll call vote: Jensen-aye, Harris-aye, Dorsey-aye, Andrews-aye, Littleton-aye. Resolution passed.

Motion by Littleton; second by Harris to approve Resolution 2022-22 approving the Designation of SLFRF funds. Roll call vote: Jensen-aye, Harris-aye, Dorsey-aye, Andrews-aye, Littleton-aye. Resolution passed.

Motion by Harris; second by Littleton to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2022-01 “Designating an area of the City of Anita as a Revitalization Area”. Roll call vote: Jensen-aye, Harris-aye, Dorsey-aye, Andrews-aye, Littleton-aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Littleton; second by Dorsey to waive second and third reading and approve final passage of Ordinance 2022-01 “Designating an area of the City of Anita as a Revitalization Area”. Roll call vote: Jensen-aye, Harris-aye, Dorsey-aye, Andrews-aye, Littleton-aye. Motion carried

Motion by Littleton; second by Andrews to approve Resolution 2022-23 finding that the rehabilitation, conservation, redevelopment, economic development, or a combination thereof of the area is necessary in the interest of the public health, safety, or welfare of the residents of the city, or county as applicable, and the area substantially meets the criteria of Iowa code section 404.1. Roll call vote: Jensen-aye, Harris-aye, Dorsey-aye, Andrews-aye, Littleton-aye. Resolution passed.

Discussion and review of the proposed urban revitalization plan.

Motion by Littleton; second by Andrews to set a date for a public hearing for Urban Revitalization plan and authorize expense of mailing per Iowa code for May 24th, 2022 at 6:00 pm. All voted aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Dorsey; second by Jensen to change the time of council meetings to 6:30 pm effective the next council meeting on May 11th, 2022. All voted aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Littleton; second by Harris to set date for public hearing for FY 21/22 budget amendment for May 11th, 2022 at 6:30 pm. All voted aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Jensen; second by Dorsey to approve pay application #14 for Group A of the 2020 Wastewater Treatment Facility Improvements in the amount of \$14,155.00. All voted aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Littleton; second by Dorsey to approve an agreement to provide the City of Anita with grade II operator services through the City of Atlantic for \$750.00/month. All voted aye. Motion passed.

Discussion held on the community center was tabled until the May 11th, 2022 regular council meeting.

Motion by Andrews; second by Littleton to approve the estimated shelving project at the little league field in the amount of \$388.27. All voted aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Littleton; second by Dorsey to approve fixing the water leak at the concession stand building. All voted aye. Motion passed.

Discussion held on the city attorney's flat rate salary was tabled until the May 11th, 2022 regular council meeting.

Public Works Supervisor, Eric Steffensen, provided a safety update and streets update.

City Attorney, Justin Hockenberry provided an update to the council about the Urban Revitalization Plan.

Discussion held on nuisance abatements.

PUBLIC CONCERNS: no public comments

The next regular monthly Anita City Council meeting will be May 11th, 2022 at 6:30 pm at City Hall.

Motion by Littleton; second by Andrews to adjourn at 9:53 pm.

John Knutson, Mayor

Stacy Huss, City Clerk