

Anita City Council
February 14, 2024
6:30 p.m.

The Regular City Council Meeting of the Anita City Council was held February 14th, 2024, with Mayor Ben Daughenbaugh presiding.

Council Members present were Roger Huffman, Simon Jensen, Meghan Dorsey, Deanna Andrews, and Cheryl Sokol.

Also, present were Eric Steffensen with the Street Department, Justin Hockenberry City Attorney, and various members of the public.

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

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

Motion by Dorsey, second by Andrews to approve the consent agenda including the January 10th, 2024, council meeting minutes, January 24th, 2024, special council meeting minutes, clerk's treasurer's report, bills as presented and Casey's General Store #1567 Class E Retail Alcohol License. All voted aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Dorsey, second by Jensen to approve waiving the Community Center Rental Fee for the Anton Clausen Benefit on Saturday March 2nd, 2024. All voted aye. Motion passed.

The southwest Iowa Region of the Soil & Water Conservation Society is planning to hold a food drive event this Spring in March or April 2024, that would raise goods for the local food pantry. Since Anita is centrally located in the southwest area, they would like to hold the event at the Anita Community Center and would like for the Community Center rental fee to be waived. Motion by Dorsey, second by Sokol to approve waving the Community Center rental fee. All voted aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Sokol, second by Andrews to approve a notice and request for bids from interested parties for a lease of rights to collect hay and alfalfa from the City's property located south of Anita Supply Center and on either side of the Anita Airport. All bids must be delivered in writing to the Anita City Hall, 744 Main Street, Anita, IA 50020 on or before 12:00 PM on the 13th day of March 2024. All voted aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Dorsey, second by Jensen to approve Family Dollar Store #33700 of Iowa LLC Cigarette/Tobacco/Nicotine/Vapor Permit. All voted aye. Motion passed.

Motion by Sokol, second by Dorsey to approve moving funds from checking account to CD account at Rolling Hills Bank and Trust in the amount of \$400,000.00. All voted aye. Motion passed.

Discussion was held on EMS Levy.

Motion by Dorsey, second by Jensen to approve the Anita Public Library Total Fiscal Year 2025 Budget amount of \$94,500.00. Huffman-aye, Jensen-aye, Dorsey-aye, Andrews-aye, Sokol-nay. Motion passed.

Discussion and review of fiscal year 2025 budget.

Motion by Dorsey, second by Sokol to approve setting the Property Tax Levy Hearing for April 10, 2024 at 6:00 pm. All voted aye. Motion passed.

Discussion was held on nuisance abatements.

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

Motion by Dorsey, second by Sokol to approve buying a twenty inch walk behind concrete saw in the amount of \$2,500.00. All voted aye. Motion passed.

City Attorney Justin Hockenberry provided an update to the council on the Affordable Housing-Homes for Iowa, pending litigation matters and Sun Valley Subdivision Lot 10.

Public Input was received.

The next regular monthly Anita City Council meeting will be March 13th, 2024, at 6:30 pm at City Hall.

Motion by Dorsey, second by Sokol, to adjourn at 9:02 pm. All voted aye. Motion passed.

Ben Daughenbaugh, Mayor

ATTEST:Stacy Huss, City Clerk