Audubon City Council

Regular Meeting

October 12, 2020

5:30 pm

City Hall

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jacobsen at 5:30 pm. Council in attendance: Hemmingsen, Weihs, Hocker, Grabill, Murray. Hocker moved, Weihs seconded, to approve agenda. ALL AYED. Mayor Jacobsen corrected the minutes stating that one or two Council members were to be on the Albert Committee. Grabill moved, Hemmingsen seconded to approve Consent Agenda with the corrected minutes. ALL AYED.

**Departmental Reports:**

Police-The Mayor reported the Police Chief is still on light duty. Graham Smith has graduated and is working.

Public Works-Approximately thirty meters left to do, well thirteen was blasted and new pump in well four pumping twelve to fourteen hours per day. Has helped to put out notice to conserve.

**New Business:**  The Mayor reported about the upcoming clean up days set for the 15th and 16th depending on when your trash is picked up. Some items have a cost and will need stickers to pick up.

Utility Adjustments: Hocker moved, Grabill seconded to adjust the water only on account #9970002. ALL AYED. Hocker moved, Weihs seconded to adjust account #110001 by waving the sewer amount over minimum since it did not go through the sewer system. ALL AYED.

Tax Abatement: Weihs moved to approve a three-year tax abatement for 415 S Park Place, seconded by Grabill. ALL AYED.

Third Avenue TIF District: Hemmingsen moved to just leave the TIF district as is until there is a need, seconded by Hocker. ALL AYED.

Proclamation on Halloween: The Mayor stated there will be no proclamation based on the recommendation of the CDC the City will not support a Trick or Treat night.

Resolution 20-45: Weihs moved, seconded by Grabill to approve hiring Blake Miller as part-time Assistant City Attorney. ROLL CALL: AYES: Hocker, Hemmingsen, Grabill, Murray, Weihs. NAYS: None. RESOLUTION PASSED 5-0

Resolution 20-46: Restructuring accounts: Gail Richardson along with some Library Board members requested the Library accounting remain as it is. Hocker moved, Grabill seconded to table the resolution and have the City Clerk show the Library Board the different reports he could provide for them and explain the restructuring of accounts. ALL AYED.

Resolution 20-47: Weihs moved, Murray seconded to award McCarthy Trenching the bid for the removal and replacement of the existing digester covers. ROLL CALL: AYES; Hocker, Hemmingsen, Grabill, Murray, Weihs. NAYS; None. RESOLUTION PASSED 5-0

Ordinance 751: changing utility rates and billing structure. FIRST READING: Hocker moved, Murray seconded to pass the first reading. ROLL CALL: AYES; Hocker, Hemmingsen, Grabill Murray, Weihs. NAYS; None. FIRST READING PASSED 5-0.

Pay Application #2: Hemmingsen moved to approve the payment to Municipal Pipe and Tool, seconded by Weihs. ALL AYED.

Change Order #2: Hocker moved, Hemmingsen seconded to approve the change order. ALL AYED.

Handicap Parking Space on corner of North Park Place: Murray moved, Weihs seconded to approve the location of the Handicap space. ALL AYED:

Request to go into closed session per Iowa Code 21.5 (j): Hocker moved, Weihs seconded to move into closed session. ALL AYED. 6:29.

6:44 back to open session. Weihs moved, Hocker seconded to allow the Mayor to negotiate on the property. ALL AYED.

Motion Hemmingsen, seconded by Grabill to adjourn at 6:44 pm. ALL AYED.

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Barbara Jacobsen, Mayor

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Jan K. Roberts, Deputy Clerk