

CITY OF AMBOY
COUNCIL MEETING
February 15, 2016

Mayor Nauman called the Regular meeting of the Amboy City Council to order and the council and audience stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

WARD 1: Brett Dewey-Absent
Eric McLaughlin

WARD 2: John Schamberger
Dennis Weidman

WARD 3: Daryl Stuckemeyer
Dave Shaw

MINUTE'S APPROVED-The minutes from the January regular city council meeting were presented. Motion to approve the minutes by Stuckemeyer and Schamberger. Carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT APPROVED- City Treasurer Nancy Neal submitted the financial report. Making a motion to approve the reports as presented was made and seconded by Aldermen Weidman and Schamberger. Carried.

PAYMENT OF BILLS APPROVED- A list of outstanding bills, involving city accounts as prepared by the city clerk's office was submitted. Making a motion to approve the bills as presented was made by Aldermen McLaughlin and Schamberger. Carried. *A copy of the financial report is kept on file at the city hall and is available upon request.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

COMMUNITY BUILDING-Alderman McLaughlin-Nothing.

DEPOT MUSEUM-Alderman Shaw reported the museum is looking for a part time employee. Ads have been put in the Dixon paper and Amboy paper.

E.S.D.A-Alderman Dewey-Absent

PARK-Alderman Schamberger reported nothing new with the parks and the board will be having its first meeting on March 3rd.

LIBRARY-Alderman Weidman reported the board met for the regular monthly meeting. The children's library is getting new carpet installed next week thanks to the car show for supporting this project.

COMMITTEE MEETING-Alderman Weidman reported the committee discussed property demolitions and committee reports.

POLICE COMMISSION-Alderman Stuckemeyer-No Report.

MAINT/STREET DEPT-Alderman McLaughlin reported the property at 622 E. Main has been demolished and is a huge improvement in that neighborhood. The doors are in for the new office building and will be installed.

WATER/SEWER DEPT-Alderman Stuckemeyer reported Blair Crum has started his water licensing classes and will be testing soon. The new maintenance building is being used.

CONCERNS FROM THE AUDIENCE-None.

NEW BUSINESS

Approve Ordinance Authorizing Special Use for a Child Care Center (Sean & Danielle Fisher-33 East Provost) Nancy Kelly reported the Plan Commission met on February 3rd to discuss the daycare center and approve a special use for the daycare. Motion to Approve Ordinance Authorizing Special Use for a Child Care Center made by Alderman Weidman and Shaw. All Approved.

Car Show 2016 Report –Hank Gerdes reported the 2016 Car Show will have some new changes for the show. The prizes for 2016 will be 1st place-50/50 money, 2nd place new car, 3rd place \$10,000.00. A new tent has been purchased for the 50/50 ticket area. The car show will be expanding North on North East Ave. and also using the fire department parking lot in agreement with the fire department. A new group will also be participating in the show on Sunday with a sound competition to take place from 10am-12pm that day in the Jr. High triangle. They plan to bring additional 75-100 cars for this competition. Also planning on having 1000 cars this year and will need more car parkers and will expand to Appleton on West Main Street. All residents will be notified.

Approve Resignation Shirley Yentzer-Library Board-Motion to Approve Resignation Shirley Yentzer made by Aldermen Weidman and Stuckemeyer. All Approved.

Approve Appointment Danielle Fisher-Library Board - Motion to Approve Appointment Danielle Fisher made by Aldermen Weidman and Stuckemeyer. All Approved.

Approve Ordinance Adding City Code Section 6-58 Regarding Sales of Alcoholic Liquors at the Amboy Community Building by License Holders-Mayor Nauman explained that the Long Branch always hosts the Amboy Education Fundraiser each year and are requesting to host the event at the Amboy Community Building. All proceeds benefit the Amboy Education Foundation. Attorney Matt Keegan reviewed that the current city license at the community building only allows the community building to sell and serve the alcohol and this ordinance will allow the Long Branch to host the event at the building. This will be a temporary one day permit along with proof of insurance and can only be used for religious, charitable, or education event. Rental agreement, proof of insurance and application all must be completed.

Alderman Weidman would like the city to only charge \$1.00 per event. The Amboy Education Event will be held on April 16th at the community building. Motion to Approve Ordinance Adding City Code Section 6-58 Regarding Sales of Alcoholic Liquors at the Amboy Community Building by License Holders made by Aldermen Schamberger and Weidman. All Approved.

Executive Session C1-Appointment, Employment, Compensation of specific employees/. Closed Session C-21 (Discussion/Review Executive Session Minutes) Motion to adjourn to executive session/closed session for C-1/C-21 made by Aldermen Stuckemeyer and Shaw. All Approved. At 8:26 Motion to reconvene made by Aldermen Weidman and Schamberger. Answering present were Aldermen Shaw, Weidman, Schamberger and Stuckemeyer.

Approve Release of Closed Session Meeting Minutes –Motion to Approve Release of Closed Session Meeting Minutes for Feb 1, 2000, Feb 19, 2001, Mar 21, 2001, June 18, 2001, July 16, 2001, Sept 17, 2001, Nov 19, 2001, Jan 26, 2002, Feb 18, 2002, April 15, 2002, May 20, 2002, Nov 18, 2002, July 21, 2003, Aug 18, 2003, Sept 15, 2002, Oct 16, 2003, Dec 15, 2003, Sept 21, 2004, Jan 17, 2005, Sept 19, 2005, Nov 21, 2005, Mar 19, 2007, April 16, 2007, Sept 17, 2007, Aug 17, 2009, Jan 18, 2010 & Oct 18, 2010 made by Aldermen Schamberger and McLaughlin. All Approved.

Building Inspectors Report-Building Demolition and Sensient inspection.
Animal Report- No Report.

ATTORNEY CONCERNS-Attorney Matt Keegan discussed the progress the city is making on the abandoned properties in Amboy. More letters have been sent to property owners and we will keep going forward with these properties.

COUNCIL CONCERNS-

Alderman Shaw-Nothing.

Alderman Weidman-Welcome to the new daycare center and wished it would have been there when I was principal at Central School.

Alderman McLaughlin-Stopped into the Mendota Dollar General and it would be the size that would be built in Amboy. They have lots of groceries and other items that would benefit Amboy.

Alderman Schamberger-Nothing.

Alderman Stuckemeyer-Hopefully spring is coming.

MAYOR CONCERNS-We have had a good winter with no snow. Congratulations to Danielle Fisher and the new daycare facility.

With no further business to come before the council the meeting adjourned at 8:29 p.m. There were 11 people present in the audience.

Submitted by
Melissa Eisenberg, RMC

