

CITY OF AMBOY
COUNCIL MEETING
February 20, 2017

Mayor Tom 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: Dennis Weidman
Donald Clayton

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 Aldermen Stuckemeyer and McLaughlin. 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 Alderman Weidman and Shaw. 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 Stuckemeyer. 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 –No Report.

DEPOT MUSEUM-Alderman Shaw reported the next board meeting will be on March 27th at 6:30pm. Looking for a replacement board member.

E.S.D.A-Alderman Dewey-No Report.

PARK-Alderman Clayton reported that Al Stenzel has been working on the septic tank paperwork for the batting cage bathrooms.

LIBRARY-Alderman Weidman reported the library board met with no new business. Thank you to John Bonnell and Helen Glessner for the generous memorial donations. The library is planning some projects for those memorials.

COMMITTEE MEETING-Alderman Weidman reported the meeting discussion was regarding the floodplain study maps, MFT Streets 2017, ATV Policy, grocery store parking space, cold storage building at 202 W. Main, discussed a reduced rental rate for community groups.

POLICE COMMISSION-Alderman Stuckemeyer –Waiting for the Psych exams for the police officer position.

MAINT/STREET DEPT-Alderman McLaughlin reviewed items on the agenda for the new office building.

WATER/SEWER DEPT-No Report.

CONCERNS FROM THE AUDIENCE-Jeannine Otto had a concern regarding two properties on her block. One was in her alley on Jefferson and the other apartment building in on Provost. Next court date for the one property is March 8th. The Provost Apartment building porch is almost ready to fall off the back of the building. The city will contact after court.

NEW BUSINESS

Com Ed Smart Meters- David Gross-Discussed the smart meter replacement that will happen around April 20th. A group of 77 employees from Com Ed will come into town and replace all meters in Amboy. The smart meters will save Com Ed money on employees and also for the customers. When the meter is getting replaced it is done from the outside with no disruption in service. The meters will give off a radio read that is downloaded to give the household usage data for the billing. If anyone has any questions please call Com Ed for more information.

Approve & Authorize Chamlin & Associates to Bid 2017 MFT Streets per IDOT (Authorization to Bid Street Maintenance) Alderman Stuckemeyer had reviewed the county bidding and the bid pricing they received was much lower than what Chamlin has quoted the city. By those numbers the city would spend around \$203,000 for the streets. Motion to Approve Chamlin & Associates to Bid 2017 MFT Streets per IDOT made by Aldermen Stuckemeyer and Weidman. All Approved.

Discuss/Approve Parking Space Sign-Grocery Store –Mayor Nauman had the State Highway Dept. review the turn lane and removal of the north island. They also are doing elevations on the sidewalks thru town currently. The first parking spot is tight when a truck is parked in that location. Motion to Approve Parking Space Sign made by Aldermen Weidman and Clayton. All Approved.

Approve City Clerk to Advertise for Bids-Cold Storage Building (202 W. Main) Alderman Stuckemeyer proposed a cold storage shed in addition to the new maintenance building and office. This shed would store additional trucks and equipment at the new facility. The idea would be for a 60x80 building or bigger depending on bid pricing. Mayor Nauman felt this additional building would increase the storage for the city.

Proposed funding for this would come from the gambling revenues the city receives. The aldermen had a discussion regarding eaves, size and doors. Proposal in the bid will be for both sizes and the city will decide when the bids come in. Motion To Approve City Clerk to Advertise for Bids for Cold Storage Building both 60x80 and 60x120 with eaves and doors made by Aldermen Weidman and McLaughlin. All Approved.

Discuss/Approve Bids-Heating/Cooling/Plumbing (Office -202 W. Main) Alderman McLaughlin reviewed the plumbing bids. Grassers bid was \$8,350.00- Lewis Plumbing bid was \$7,103.00 both proposals were the exact specs for the building. Motion to Approve Lewis Plumbing Bid for \$7,103.00 made by Aldermen McLaughlin and Clayton. All Approved. Next discussion was the bids for heating and cooling. Bids were from Farley's \$7,700.00, Grassers \$7,095.00 and David Schrock \$5,695.00 all for the same items and prevailing wages. Motion to Approve Bid for Heating & Cooling from David Schrock for \$5,695.00 made by Aldermen McLaughlin and Clayton. All Approved.

Building Inspectors Report-Updating paperwork to the attorney on more homes.

ATTORNEY CONCERNS-Nothing.

COUNCIL CONCERNS

Alderman Shaw-Nothing.

Alderman Weidman-Nothing.

Alderman McLaughlin-Nothing

Alderman Clayton-Nothing.

Alderman Stuckemeyer- Several people happy with the house demolition on Bacon.

MAYOR CONCERNS-City is still sending people paperwork to fix their properties. Sensient discussions regarding the sewer ponds and upgrades.

With no further business to come before the council the meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m. There were 17 people present in the audience.

Submitted by
Melissa Eisenberg, RMC