

CITY OF AMBOY
COUNCIL MEETING
March 21, 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

Eric McLaughlin

WARD 2: John Schamberger

Dennis Weidman-Absent

WARD 3: Daryl Stuckemeyer

Dave Shaw

MINUTE'S APPROVED-The minutes from the February regular city council meeting were presented. Motion to approve the minutes by Dewey and Stuckemeyer. 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 Stuckemeyer and McLaughlin. 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 Schamberger and Dewey. 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 Depot is going to meet and review applications for the part time positions.

E.S.D.A-Alderman Dewey reported ESDA tested their sirens.

PARK-Alderman Schamberger –No Report.

LIBRARY-Alderman Weidman-Absent.

COMMITTEE MEETING-Alderman Dewey reported the committee reviewed ESDA siren testing, Sensient's holding tank, Park Board member changes.

POLICE COMMISSION-Alderman Stuckemeyer-No Report.

MAINT/STREET DEPT-Alderman McLaughlin reported the department is working on the office building and straw shed.

WATER/SEWER DEPT-Alderman Shaw discussed the sewer ponds being treated with extra chemicals.

CONCERNS FROM THE AUDIENCE-Darlene Hinkle was concerned with the sewer pond smell and the next steps to fix the ponds. Mayor Nauman explained that Sensient and the city are working to correct the problems. David Koch wanted to discuss the Dollar General project and his concerns with the traffic and location of the new store. Alderman Stuckemeyer explained the location would be at the Northside of the property with a main entrance lane for traffic on Lisa Lane. Lisa Lane will connect to Jones Street which could cause more traffic however most people will probably use the highway. Tyson Drew is also concerned on the location of the new store and there are other areas in town besides a residential area with new homes and kids. Why is there not another location within the city limits for new business? Allison Fox is worried as a new homeowner in the Burke Subdivision that it should be placed on the East side of the highway along with Subway and the other business's. Brandon Miller's concern was the water issues in the subdivision and what will happen with a new business and water runoff problems. Alderman Stuckemeyer explained that the Dollar Store will have to build a retention pond for the water runoff. Hank Gerdes asked Daryl Stuckemeyer if the Duntemann family has been contacted regarding the Dollar Store and if not they probably should be contacted again. Pete Rood had info on the sewer lagoons and suggested they need to thaw out and will get active once the weather warms up.

NEW BUSINESS

APPROVE CITY CLERK TO TAKE BIDS FOR SIDEWALK/CEMENT WORK 2016-Mayor Nauman would like to take bids for some sidewalk replacement and the bid would be good for the whole year. Motion to Approve the City Clerk to take bids for 2016 Sidewalk/Cement made by Aldermen Schamberger and Dewey. All Approved.

DISCUSS/APPROVE ORDINANCE AMENDING THE AMBOY CITY CODE BY AMENDING CHAPTER 6, Article III, Sections 6-26, 6-27 and 6-28(Adding Liquor Classification) Attorney Matt Keegan explained that the current beer/wine license does not work for the new establishment. This new code is for a beer/wine license classification. The council needs to establish a fee for the new license. Alderman Dewey is not in agreement with making a new license for only one business. Nancy Willahan is not going to be selling food so their business does not qualify for the D license. Motion to Table made by Aldermen Schamberger and McLaughlin. All Approved.

DISCUSS/APPROVE TWO SISTERS ON MAIN LIQUOR LICENSE-Motion to Approve Two Sisters on Main Liquor License (Class A) made by Aldermen Schamberger and Stuckemeyer. All Approved.

APPROVE RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF PART-TIME EMPLOYEES GORDY KOCH, RICH GEIGER AND WES PIERCE (Summer mowing/part-time). Motion to Approve Hiring Part-Time Employees Gordy Koch/Rich Geiger and Wes Pierce made by Alderman Stuckemeyer and Schamberger. All Approved.

DISCUSS/APPROVE POLICE DEPARTMENT POLICIES MANUAL-Attorney Matt Keegan and Jeff Blake have been updating the police department policy book. This sets forth the organizational structure of the department and policies. Alderman Dewey has some changes to the policy of wording fixes and the ESDA Director to whom he reports to. Motion to Table Police Department Policies Manual made by McLaughlin and Schamberger. All Approved

APPROVE RESIGNATION FRANK LCHAT-LIBRARY BOARD-Motion to Approve Resignation Frank Lchat made by Aldermen Schamberger and Stuckemeyer. All Approved.

APPROVE APPOINTMENT KALLA MAHAR-LIBRARY BOARD-Motion to Approve Appointment Kalla Mahar made by Aldermen Schamberger and Shaw. All Approved.

Building Inspectors Report-Garage on Pleasant Street has been removed and more letters to property owners have been sent.

Animal Report-See Report.

ATTORNEY CONCERNS-Attorney Matt Keegan discussed the court hearing for 204 W. Hubbard and 622 E. Main has been demolished and the lien has been filed. When reviewing the city liquor codes there are some changes such as to serve liquor you must be 18 years of age. Also to be in an establishment you must be of age and Casey's is not correct under that code so exclusion will be done for review/approval next meeting.

COUNCIL CONCERNS-

Alderman Shaw-Thanks to everyone from Burke Subdivision for coming and expressing their concerns.

Alderman Dewey-Nothing.

Alderman McLaughlin-Nothing.

Alderman Schamberger-Thanks for all the questions and this is just the start of the Dollar Store project and there will be more meetings before anything is done.

Alderman Stuckemeyer-Dollar General is in the early stages and the city will notify all homeowners of future meetings when those are scheduled.

MAYOR CONCERNS-The city is getting properties cleaned up around town. We will be getting MFT costs for 2016 projects. Summer mowing crew will be ready when the weather warms up.

With no further business to come before the council the meeting adjourned at 7:49 p.m. There were 23 people present in the audience.

Submitted by
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