

City of Agency, Iowa
Council Meeting
January 9, 2025

The regular meeting of the Agency City Council was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Jake Johnson at City Hall. Council members in attendance were Sara Jane Douglas, Andrew Birch, Steve O'Brien, Samantha Ulin, and Jacoby Deshler. Also present were City Clerk Angel Schafer, Jason Knaak, Deb Knaak, Randy Knaak, Jim Lind, Alan Novak, Connie Lind and Chief Deputy Marty Wonderlin.

APPROVE OR AMEND AGENDA:

Ms. Douglas motioned to approve the Agenda. Second by Mrs. Ulin. All Ayes. Motion passed.

CONSENT AGENDA

Ms. Deshler motioned to approve the Consent Agenda. Second by Mr. O'Brien. All Ayes. Motion passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE COMMITTEE – Ms. Deshler advised everything is good.

STREETS, ALLEY, WATER & SEWER COMMITTEE – Mr. Birch advised that Fred Club had gathered a list of streets that needed repairs for the upcoming budget meeting.

HEALTH COMMITTEE – Ms. Deshler advised everything is good.

BUILDING & GROUNDS & PARKS – Mr. O'Brien advised that he didn't have an update.

FIRE BOARD – Mrs. Ulin advised a meeting is being set up.

Library Board – Connie Lind spoke about just leaving a wonderful book club meeting. The library is currently hosting two different book clubs and the Friends of the Library will be hosting it's first meeting.

PERMITS – None

PUBLIC FORUM: No Comments

MAYOR/COUNCIL COMMENTS: Mayor Johnson advised that he will be going in for a surgery at the end of February or beginning of March. He will be out of meetings for 6 to 8 weeks.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS

SET BUDGET WORKSHOP

Fiscal Year 2025-2026 budget workshop will be held on Monday – January 20th at 6:30 pm.

Ms. Deshler motioned to set the date for the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 budget workshop to January 20th at 6:30 pm. Second by Mr. O'Brien. All ayes.

Motion Passed

JIM LIND

Mr Lind asked when will Agency Auto be cleaned up. He advised that he is having trouble renting out his rental house due to the view. He further advised that there is a fuel barrel that has been stripped of all of it's placards and he believes that to be illegal. He complained that people are driving through the grass at Agency Auto. Mayor Johnson advised that Agency Auto had been granted an extension at the last meeting until January 31st. Mayor Johnson said that the city would begin clean up of the property on February 1st. Mr. O'Brien asked if the Sheriff would be present at the clean up. Chief Deputy Wonderlin said that they could be present to keep the peace.

RESOLUTION 2025-01 ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

Ms. Douglas motioned to approve Resolution 2025-01. Second by Ms. Deshler. Roll Call Vote.

Ayes: Birch, Deshler, Douglas, O'Brien, Ulin

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

Resolution 2025-01 passed.

CEMETERY BID

Mayor Johnson spoke about the upcoming cemetery mowing season and advised that the city would have to put a bid out for the cemetery mowing this year. City Council agreed to include in the bid mowing and basic maintenance of the trees in the cemetery. Mayor Johnson suggested the bids be due back to City Hall by noon the Monday before the next City Council Meeting.

Mr. O'Brien motioned to have the city put out a bid for the mowing and basic maintenance of the trees in the cemetery.

Second by Mrs. Ulin. Roll Call Vote.

Ayes: Birch, Ulin, Douglas, Deshler, O'Brien

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

Cemetery bid will be put out.

PUBLIC FORUM:

Fire Chief Knaak spoke about a soup supper scheduled for Saturday – February 22nd from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm will be hosted at the Fire Station by Agency Fire and Rescue. He further advised the fire department is looking to add members to the fire department and he requested that both items be put in to the next newsletter. He also advised that the fire department will be putting a piece of fence over the can collection bin to stop the cans from blowing in to neighboring properties.

ADJOURNMENT- Mrs. Ulin motioned to adjourn. Second by Ms. Deshler. All Ayes. Meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm.

Jake Johnson, Mayor

Attest: Angel Schafer - City Clerk