

City of Agency, Iowa
Council Meeting
October 13-2022

The regular meeting of the Agency City Council was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Nathan Bissell at City Hall. Council members in attendance were Tom Boos, Kathy Thrasher, Samantha Ulin, Mandy Thrasher, and Jacoby Deshler. Also present was Sheriff Don Phillips, Tammy Roberts, Jessica Ragen, Chelsea Griffiths, Sherri Beattie, Heather Fellingner, Julia Olson and Pam Muntz.

APPROVE OR AMEND AGENDA:

Mayor Bissell asked that the Agenda be amended and the Deputy City Clerk position be added. Mrs. Ulin made a motion to amend the Agenda to add the Deputy City Clerk position. Second by Ms. Deshler. All Ayes. Motion passed.

CONSENT AGENDA

Ms. Deshler motioned to approve the Consent Agenda. Second by Mrs. Thrasher. All Ayes. Motion passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE COMMITTEE-None

STREETS, ALLEY, WATER & SEWER COMMITTEE-None

HEALTH COMMITTEE-None

BUILDING & GROUNDS & PARKS-None

FIRE BOARD-None

Library Board-None

PERMITS- None

Public Forum- Sheriff Phillips discussed how their department is down three Deputies and that testing is still ongoing in the search for new Deputies. Mayor Bissell commented that we have had some incidents with dogs and needed the incident reports for those. Sheriff informed him that they will make the reports available. Chelsea Griffiths commented that she was at the meeting to get clarity on if she had been improved at the September Council meeting to put a fence up along the street next to her house. Mayor Bissell stated that they had approved her to put the fence up to her lot line but not in the street easement. Ms Griffiths asked if the Council was open to discussion on her being allowed to put the fence closer to Elroy Street. Mayor Bissell informed her that due to the concern of the land to the South of Elroy Street ever being developed in the future, the street easement needed to remain open and available for any utilities that might need to be placed there.

MAYOR/COUNCIL COMMENTS- Mayor Bissell informed the Council that Waste Management had an increase of 4% on garbage. He asked the Council to contemplate on whether the City will need to make a garbage rate increase. Mayor Bissell also addressed the dog issues that are happening in town. He asked the Council that if anyone contacts them about dog issues to direct them to the Sheriff's office. City Clerk also stated that City Hall should be informed also of the incidents.

OLD BUSINESS None

NEW BUSINESS

SET PUBLIC HEARING-ZONING VARIANCE-KENT PROPERTIES-Ms. Deshler made a motion to set a Public Hearing for Thursday-November 10th at 7:00 p.m. at Agency Fire Station to hear discussion on regarding a zoning variance of Kent Properties in Agency, Iowa. Second by Mrs. Ulin. **Roll Call Vote:**

Ayes: Ulin, Boos, Deshler, K. Thrasher, M. Thrasher

Nays: None

Motioned passed.

RESOLUTION 2022-9-SETTING BEGGARS NIGHT-Mrs. Ulin motioned to approve setting beggars night for the City of Agency as Monday, October 31st from 6-8 pm. Second by K. Thrasher. **Roll call vote.**

Ayes: Boos, Deshler, K. Thrasher, M. Thrasher, Ulin.

Nays: None

Motion passed.

TEETER –SEWER HOOK UP -Tammy Roberts informed the City that her Grandfather, Glen Teeter would like to hook onto City sewer. Mayor stated to Mrs. Roberts that all cost would be her responsibility. Mrs. Roberts said she was aware of that. **Ms. Deshler made a motion to approve sewer hook up to Mr. Teeter.** Second by M. Thrasher. **Roll Call Vote.**

Ayes: Deshler, K. Thrasher, M. Thrasher, Ulin, Boos.

Nays: None

Motion passed.

FARM GROUND RENT AD-Council viewed ad that will be placed for farm ground rent.

CEMETERY MOWING 2023 AD- Notice for bidders for 2023 mowing season.

LIBRARY-City has approved to compensate the Library with \$2500.00 per Fiscal year due to lost revenue from Enrich Iowa and Direct State Aid beginning with the 23/24 Fiscal year.

CITY CLERK POSTION-Mayor informed the Council that the interviewing process was held for the Clerk position and the committee recommends that the position be given to the present Deputy Clerk, Pam Muntz. Mrs. Ulin stated that they thought it would be the best transition for the position. **Ms. Deshler made a motion to hire Pam Muntz as City Clerk with starting wage of \$19.50 per hour.** Second by M. Thrasher. **Roll Call Vote:**

Ayes: K. Thrasher, M. Thrasher, S. Ulin, T. Boos, J. Deshler

Nays: None

Motion passed.

DEPUTY CITY CLERK POSTION-Deputy Clerk position will be posted with a deadline date of October 24th for application acceptance.

ADJOURNMENT-Ms. Deshler motioned to adjourn. Second by M. Thrasher. **Meeting adjourned at 7:33 p.m.**

Nathan Bissell, Mayor

Attest: Pam Muntz, Deputy City Clerk

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