

City of Agency, Iowa  
Council Meeting  
September 8-2022

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, Jacoby Deshler, Samantha Ulin and Mandy Thrasher. Also present were Sheriff Deputy Marty Wonderlin, Royce Kent, Marty Cremer, Steve O'Brien, Michelle Ludwig, Linda & George Cook, Steve & Sherri Allen, Julie Olson, Lisa Kent, Sherri Beattie, Connie Lind, Heather Fellingner, Trevor Brown, Phyllis McCoy, Michelle & Cora Stover.

**PUBLIC HEARING-Rezoning North College** Ms. Deshler motioned to open Public Hearing. Second by Ms. Thrasher. **All Ayes. Motion passed.** Only discussion heard was from Mr. Kent and he stated that the city would be setting a precedence. With no other comments given, **Ms. Deshler motioned to close Public Hearing-Rezoning North College.** Second by Mrs. Thrasher. **All Ayes. Motion passed.**

**APPROVE OR AMEND AGENDA:**

**Ms. Deshler 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 Mrs. Thrasher. **All Ayes. Motion passed.**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE**-None

**STREETS, ALLEY, WATER & SEWER COMMITTEE**-None

**HEALTH COMMITTEE**-None

**BUILDING & GROUNDS & PARKS**-Ms. Deshler would like to pursue a grant opportunity for some park equipment.

**FIRE BOARD**-None

**Library Board**-Agenda item below.

**PERMITS**- None

**Public Forum**- Sheriff Deputy Marty Wonderlin informed that Mayor and council that the department is still in the process of increasing their staffing levels.

**MAYOR/COUNCIL COMMENTS**-Mrs. Thrasher requested that the East End City Entrance sign area be trimmed and some landscaping be done to improve the appearance.

**OLD BUSINESS**-

**KAYSER-NORTH COLLEGE ZONING VARIANCE**-Ms. Deshler motioned to approve the zoning variance on North College from Agricultural to Commercial. Second by Ms. Thrasher. **Roll call vote.**

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

**Nays:** None

**Motion passed.**

**CHELSEY GRIFFITH-FENCE PLACEMENT**-Mrs. Ulin motioned to deny placement of fence as submitted due the East side placement would be on city right of way. Second by Ms. Deshler. **Roll call vote to deny placement as submitted.**

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

**Nays:** None

**Motion passed.**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**RESOLUTION 2022-8-ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT**-Ms. Deshler motioned to approve Resolution 2022-8-Annual Financial Report as submitted. Second by Mrs. Ulin. **Roll call vote.**

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

**Nays: None**

**Motion passed.**

**LIBRARY**-Library Board member Lisa Kent spoke on behalf of the library board. A letter of resignation was submitted by the Library Director Kim Schwartz. With the resignation the Agency Library will lose their Tier position with the State of Iowa, which will result in lost revenue. The board is requesting that the city consider compensating the library with \$2,500.00 annually. This would offset the lost revenue from the State. The County contributions will stay the same. The board is proposing to operate the library with board members, City Clerk and Deputy City Clerk. The board will be monitoring the usage and will adjust hours of operation based on patrons. The board will be responsible for the ordering of materials and the summer reading program.

**ZONING VARIANCE-ROYCE KENT**-No exact purpose or plans were given for the request in change of zoning. Mr. Kent was informed that this item would be placed on the October 13<sup>th</sup> Agenda. A Public Hearing will be set at that time which would take place at the November 10<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**CITY CLERK POSTION**-City Clerk position will be posted and published with a deadline of September 30<sup>th</sup> for application acceptance. The Mayor and council members Samantha Ulin and Jacoby Deshler will conduct the interviews.

**ADJOURNMENT**-Ms. Deshler motioned to adjourn. Second by Mrs. Ulin. **All Ayes. Meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.**

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**Nathan Bissell, Mayor**

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**Attest: Cynthia VanAntwerp, City Clerk**