

These are the minutes of the Regular Session of the City of Adams, WI held on November 1, 2010 in the City Municipal Building.

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Williams. On roll call were Alderpersons Baumgartner, Jensen, Newberg, Suhr, Mayor Williams, Administrator Ellisor, Chief Hanson and Street Superintendent Mead. Attorney Pollex and Alderperson's Manthey and Scott were excused.

Motion by Newberg, second by Suhr to approve the minutes of the October 18, 2010 meeting as printed. Roll call vote, all voted aye.

Petitions and Communications: None presented.

Report of City Officers:

Mayor Williams: The City is closing in on fall and the normal work is being done. We have located a truck that falls within the 2010 budget, but at a much better price than was previously budgeted. A few people called me worried about all the children on Pierce Street for Halloween. They are asking if we can block off a portion of Pierce Street on Halloween for the hours that are specified for trick or treat. He would be willing to do that if the people on Pierce Street are notified and they agree to it. It is something to keep in mind for next year. He was also told of several children who were almost hit by someone in a red blazer, whoever that might be.

Administrator Ellisor: Reported that he is still in the budget process and that it is almost complete. He will have the 2011 proposed draft budget for the finance meeting on Wednesday. He still needs a few figures to determine what kind of mill rate we will be looking at. He feels it is coming together quite well. We are in a pretty fortunate position in the budget we're looking at largely due to the COPS Grant and how that comes in to play with the overall general fund operating budget. This will bring us some pretty good rewards and dividends for the next three years that will help. He also reported the EDA Grant is still in the paper shuffle. The Certified Survey Maps and the Right of Way maps are currently the hold up due to some research that had to be put together. This is just a temporary thing and doesn't mean we won't be able to get to the project. The grant money from the SDWLP that was to be used for back-up power to Well #4, rehabbing Well #4, decommissioning Well #2 and purchasing two chemical scales has come under discussion. As it was bid through Ellis Stone and they are the general contractors would the DNR allow the City to just contract through these separate entities as opposed to going through Ellis Stone as the general contractor. If required to go through Ellis Stone as the general contractor, it will add cost to the additional work we are looking at doing. Mayor Williams reiterated that there will not be a City tax increase. The other entities, it is up to them, but we will not be raising our taxes.

Chief Hanson: Reported that we have received the \$4000 Highway Safety Grant money that was applied for. To date, we have received over 80 applications for the position of police officer. The deadline for applications is November 12th. Those who are selected will be taking the test on the 11th of December. In speaking with the testing center, we should have the results back by Dec. 22nd. There will be a Personnel meeting there after to review the test results and select those for the interview process. With regards to Mayor Williams and the Halloween calls, he asks that he refer the calls to the Police Dept. In checking with the officers, they did not get any calls of any vehicles driving erratically. Mayor Williams responded he just received those calls today. Again, Chief Hanson would like the citizens to call the department right away so they can get an officer working on it. Mayor Williams asked Chief Hanson how his training went. Chief responded the training was very good. He completed the last of three courses through the FBI Leeda Association Law Enforcement Executive Development and is now eligible to go to the National Convention. He and Attorney Pollex have a couple of citations ongoing through court. One of them is an underage tobacco sale and a non-conforming structure that Cenex is contesting.

Street Superintendent Mead: Reported the department is working on vehicle maintenance. The crew has been out with the leaf vac every day for the last two weeks weather permitting. They have also been working on sewer cleaning and brush collection which have been moving along quite well this year. We have also been working on getting bids for the salt storage building. One bid came back which was quite costly and we are still waiting for another bid to be returned. At the end of this week we will be having our west side tower inspection. It is quite a lengthy process as we have to gradually drain the water from that tower and shut it down and then a crew will go inside the tower and thoroughly inspect it. We're going to start on Wednesday and hopefully be done by Friday. The Mayor questioned who was going to do the inspection and if they had their own equipment and if they are insured. Street Superintendent Mead answered that Corrpro was the company that was going to do it and that they have certified inspectors with their own equipment and they are insured.

New and Unfinished Business:

Motion by Newberg, second by Baumgartner to adopt Ordinance 12-2010 Relating to Regulating Harboring of a Minor. Alderperson Newberg questioned Chief Hanson regarding the wording "should have known the child to be a runaway". Is it going to be up to the parents, once a child said his parents said it was okay to stay overnight, to call that child's parents to make sure he's telling the truth. Are we, as parents, going to get into trouble if we don't call to make sure the children are telling the truth? Chief Hanson explained that it meant that if an officer asked a resident if a runaway was at that residents house and the response was no and the runaway was later found to be at that residence, he couldn't legally deny that he should have known the runaway was there. **Roll call vote, all voted aye.**

The Mayor would like to caution everybody on the Council. One of the people has said to me, several times, you're getting so that if you walk down the street you're going to be violating the law. In the future, the Council needs to look closely at something like this. **Motion by Newberg, second by Jensen to adopt Resolution 2010-15R** (see appendix B of Minutes Book) **Authorizing Fines to Be Charged-Harboring of a Minor. Roll call vote, all voted aye.**

The Mayor reported we had a truck in the 2010 budget which was previously approved by the Council. You'll notice it listed two 1-ton dumps at \$45,000. This truck would replace our two dump trucks. The current price for this truck, which is a diesel, it's an older truck and it's been looked at. Bob has spent time going back to the original owner. It has been owned by the current owner for just several months at which time he put a new dump on it. So all of that equipment is brand new. They were asking \$12,500 and Bob got them down to \$10,000. It appears to be a very, very good truck. If you just look at the truck you would not know that it's not brand new. We previously approved the purchase of this, but I believe it is best to bring it back to the Council so they know what's going on and our desire to purchase this unit. Administrator reported that he and Terry McConnell went out to inspect the truck and talk to owner as well. It is a Ford F-450, 7.3 turbo diesel engine, with a newer dump box on it. On inspection, Terry did a quite thorough job of looking the truck over, checked the under carriage and all that was refinished. It was just in all around excellent condition, although it did have high mileage on it at 212,000. I know that sounds high, but it's not uncommon for diesel engines of this type to go 400,000 miles. The body and everything else is in mint condition. It is a 1 ½ ton truck which suits our purposes but we would have to equip it with a plow and a sander in the back. Terry McConnell also did some additional research with the previous owner. It was owned by a company out of Stoughton, Kramer Brothers Construction and Engineering, a large outfit that has quite a large fleet. He spoke with the fleet manager who was quite familiar with this truck and he indicated there hadn't been any problems with it other than one recall item. The transmission was overhauled in 2009 with an Allison Transmission which is a pretty well regarded type of transmission for that truck. The fleet manager also indicated that the truck was primarily used for transporting a generator and no other punishing use other than the miles which I mentioned. Compared to the two trucks we are going

to replace, it certainly is in a lot better condition than those. Due to that review, it just seemed like a real good opportunity. For what was budgeted for that truck and what the asking price is on this, I'm pretty confident we'll get a lot of years out of it for a lot less money. Alderperson Jensen asked what year the truck was. Administrator Ellisor answered a 1999. It is replacing our 1990 and 1991 trucks. To go out and try to get one of these F450 trucks new would be in the \$60,000 range. The Mayor again said you will be surprised when you see the truck. The dump box is new and was just put on recently by the person who acquired it. He is a landscaper. So, why is he selling it? The reason given as to why he is selling, it is that he purchased another truck which is a bigger truck, which is what he wanted. **Motion by Newberg, second by Baumgartner to Approve Purchase of a 1999 Ford F450 One Ton Dump Truck for \$10,000.00 (from Kraemer Company LLC/Rayne Oxberger).** Alderperson Suhr asked what happens to the two old trucks. Street Superintendent Mead answered they are looking at bidding them out or selling them. **All voted aye.**

Motion by Jensen, second by Suhr to pay the bills. Roll call vote, all voted aye.

Motion by Newberg, second by Jensen to adjourn. All voted aye.

Meeting adjourned at 6:27 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jeanne G. Gostomski
Deputy Clerk/Treasurer