



City Meeting September 10th, 2020

The Adams Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Thursday, September 10th, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. in the Bell School Tea Room. Mayor Mantooth, Vice Mayor Evans, and Commissioner Boisseau were present.

Item 1: Open with A Prayer

The meeting was called to order and Donna Boisseau lead in prayer. Mayor Mantooth requested all in attendance to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Item 2: Minutes

Minutes of the August meeting were read. Mantooth asked if there were any additions or corrections. With no additions or corrections, the minutes were approved as read.

Item 3: Financials

The financials were presented for August. Boisseau made a motion to approve the financials. Evans seconded the motion and the financials were approved. A rollcall was made; Mayor Mantooth "Aye", Vice Mayor Evans "Aye", and Commissioner Boisseau "Aye".

Item 4: Public Hearing Sale of Surplus Property

Mayor Mantooth asked if there were any comments or questions regarding the sale of parcels 41C-B-26; 41C-B-27, 41C-B-66, and 41C-B-67. Christy Baggett and Herman Diaz-Barriga attended the meeting, owners of parcel 41C-B-25. Ms. Baggett and Mr. Diaz were not attending the meeting to place a bid on the parcels but to understand what was taking place with the sale. Mantooth informed them where the parcels were located and how the City planned on selling them. Mantooth mentioned because the City of Adams had already taken earnest money and had a verbal agreement with Mr. Yates, before being aware of Gov Deals, the City should honor this and move forward with selling the parcels to Mr. Yates. Ms. Baggett's only comment was she hoped the interested buyer would improve the buildings that were located on the properties. Evans made a motion to sell the parcels (41C-B-26, 41C-B-27, 41C-66, 41C-B-67) to Allan Yates for \$18,000. Mantooth seconded the motion. A rollcall was made; Mayor Mantooth "Aye", Vice Mayor Evans "Aye", and Commissioner Boisseau "Aye".

Item 5: Update - Wine in Retail Stores

City Recorder did some research regarding the Wine in Retail Stores that was brought to the board's attention by Cathy Stuard (for Raj Patel) during the August Meeting. According to Mr. Rummage with the ABC, these are the steps to follow:

1. "The citizens would get a petition signed and the municipality would have to pass a referendum authorizing the "sale of alcohol by trail packaging stores" (ex. Liquor stores) OR "liquor by the drink".
2. The Legislature (House and Senate) will pass a bill on the floor to allow a municipality of this size to have a referendum.
3. Then this legislation would have to go through local government with a 2/3 majority. This would then become the authority for a citizen's vote.
4. Then we would have to do this again for the "Wine at Retail Food Stores".

According to the minutes of the August meeting, the petition that was brought forth by Ms. Stuard for Raj Patel at the Adams Market, was a "Wine in Retail Stores" petition and not a "Liquor by the Drink" petition. The board of commissioners advised City Recorder to send Raj Patel a letter regarding the process for the "Liquor by the Drink" and "Wine at Retail Stores."

Item 6: Update on Property Maintenance Clean Up

Public Health Officer, Donovan Tucker, has sent picture documentation of property located at 103 South Adams Street. City Attorney is reviewing letter to resident about violation of §13-108 of the Adams Municipal Code. Once the letter is signed by the public health officer and sent by certified mail, the property owner will have ten days from receiving the letter to fix the condition. If property owner fails or refuses to remedy the condition within the time frame (or file an appeal with the recorder), the City can declare action and start cleaning up the property, once a bid is awarded.

City Recorder has telephoned (per purchasing policy anything under \$5,000 does not have to be bid out) a few people to get estimates for clean-up/mulching/mowing at 103 South Adams Street. The requested estimate would include cutting of yard/trees/shrubbery and hauling off the debris located at the property. City Recorder called three individuals and only one estimate was received from Jay Hall for \$2,295. Evans made a motion to hire Jay Hall for the property clean up at 103 South Adams Street for \$2,295. Boisseau seconded the motion. A rollcall was made; Mayor Mantooth “Aye”, Vice Mayor Evans “Aye”, and Commissioner Boisseau “Aye”. Some discussion was made about the fence row needing attention on South Adams Street. City Recorder was advised to check on the right away for South Adams Street.

Item 7: Adams Recreation Club

A. Evans made a motion to approve the new Rules, Regulations, and By Laws for the Adams Recreation Club. Boisseau seconded the motion. All in favor. None opposed.

B. Evans made a motion to replace Matt Carroll with Brandon Farmer, as the Director of the Adams Recreation Club. Boisseau seconded the motion. All in favor. None opposed.

Item 8: State Grant Money

Discussion took place regarding the grant money received from State in July. Mantooth mentioned upgrading the playground or placing a walking track on the grounds. Resident Jay Hall asked about the fire tower. Evans mentioned he talked with Mike Murdock about getting it put up, but Mike Murdock did not openly make a decision on how and when. Jay Hall volunteered his time to help with either the playground, walking track, or the fire tower. Boisseau mentioned she would prefer to see the grant money being utilized for the community and not used for the fire tower or paving streets. City Recorder advised the board, the money will need to be spent by June 30th, 2021. No decision was made.

Item 9: Robertson County Antique Tractor Pullers

Mayor Mantooth received a call from the antique tractor pullers. They have asked to do an October Tractor Pull on the grounds. Boisseau mentioned there is coming a point where things need to start opening back up. Boisseau recommended shutting events back down if numbers spiked after re-opening. Evans mentioned, because of the crowd size, he did not have a problem with the Tractor Pullers having an October pull. Boisseau advised that we inform the Tractor Pullers that it can’t be policed, attendees will be advised to come at their own risk and social distance, insurance will need to be provided, and as long as Robertson County didn’t shut it down, they could have it. Mayor Mantooth said she would call them and let them know they could have it with the said guidelines and to call the City Recorder with the date.

Other Business: No fire department update.

There being no further business, Mayor Mantooth moved to adjourned. Vice Mayor Evans seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 7:34 pm.

Anna Luke, City Recorder

Mary Mantooth, Mayor