



City Meeting April 14th 2022

The Adams Board of Commissioners met in regular session, at 7:00 p.m. in the Bell School Auditorium. Mayor Evans, Vice Mayor Hall, and Commissioner Baird were present.

Item 1: Open with A Prayer

The meeting was called to order and Donovan Tucker lead in prayer. Evans requested all in attendance to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Item 2: Minutes

Minutes of the March meeting were presented. Evans asked if there were any additions or corrections. With the no additions or corrections, the minutes were approved. All in favor, none opposed.

Item 3: Financials

The financials were presented for March. Hall made a motion to approve the financials. Baird seconded the motion and the financials were approved. All in favor, none opposed.

Item 4: Suite 201 – Renting Request

Cheslie Glass and Eric Burks were present. They requested to rent out Room 201 for a Nutrition Fix Business. They need running water available for a sink and an ice maker. The renters have offered to pay for the plumbing for the room. Vice Mayor Hall suggested getting with Rusty Biggs, a local plumber, about getting an estimate. The renters asked if they were to pay for the plumbing, could a deal be made regarding rent. Vice Mayor Hall suggested getting with Rusty first and see if the plumbing is possible and an estimate and it will be re-addressed at the May meeting.

Item 5: Street Paving

Mayor Evans asked the board members which streets needed paving. Vice Mayor Hall suggested Pond Street and Murphy Street. Also, Walnut Street due to the water line breaking and the road being tore up. The board discussed doing Railroad Street, but decided to hold off, and get bids for Railroad Street, for the next bidding project due to the increase of inflation. Vice Mayor Hall suggested contacting Scotty's Contracting, Vulcan Paving, and McIntosh Construction. Hall made a motion to start the bidding process for Pond, Murphy, and Walnut Street. Baird seconded it. All in favor, none opposed.

Item 6: Property Tax Rate

2017 was the last year property taxes were raised. Next year is the city and county's reappraisal year for property assessments. This means the state and the county will set a new certified tax rate for the year 2023 property taxes. The current property tax rate for the City of Adams is \$0.3491 per \$100 of assessed value on all real and personal property. Mayor Evans made a motion to increase the property tax rate to \$0.39 per \$100 of assessed value on all real and personal property. Hall seconded the motion. A public notice will be placed in the Connection Paper for residents to attend a public hearing for May 12th 2022 at 6:45pm at the Bell School Auditorium. The official voting will take place after the public hearing at the city's regular meeting at 7:00pm with the budget ordinance. All in favor, none opposed.

Item 7: Mold/Fungus Update

Vice Mayor Hall met with Scott MacDonald, US Pest Protection, Friday March 25th to inspect the situation under cafeteria, gym, and school. US Pest Protection re-did their proposal into three separate building parts. Cafeteria; 1755 square feet, fungal treatment with mold care with boracare for and 10mm viper vapor barrier wall to wall for \$5240. Gym; 3600 square feet; fungal treatment with mold care with boracare and 10mm viper vapor barrier wall to wall for \$9820. Bell School; 5041 square feet, fungal treatment with mold care with boracare and 10mm viper vapor barrier wall to wall (2200 square feet) for \$8589. Vice Mayor Hall asked US Pest Protection why hasn't this been brought to the City's attention all these years they have inspected. Scott MacDonald said there were new inspectors and new guidelines for them to follow, is why it's just now being brought to our attention. Vice Mayor Hall made a suggested keeping an eye on it but holding off on spending the money right now. Commissioner Baird mentioned getting another bid in the future

due to these amounts being over \$5000, per the purchasing policy. Mayor Evans made a motion to hold off on treating it. Vice Mayor Hall seconded it. All in favor, none opposed.

Item 8: Playground Expansion Update

Mayor Evans requested moving the playground expansion to the other side of the concession stand near the softball field. Vice Mayor Hall and Commissioner Baird agreed. Evans made a motion to assign another \$20,000 for playground expansion, making the total assign funds \$40,000. Baird seconded the motion. A roll call was made; Baird “Aye”, Evans, “Aye”, Hall, “Aye”.

Item 9: Tornado Siren Update

Mobile Communication America is the only authorized distributor of the WeatherWarn and RapidWarn product suite, but the city is not sure about the equipment needed to be bid out. Mayor Evans, Vice Mayor Hall, and Commissioner Baird were all in agreement, if the city does not get the TEMA reimbursement grant, the city is still going to purchase the tornado sirens. The board were all in favor in bidding it out. None opposed.

Item 10: New Fire Radio System Update

Mayor Evans gave an update regarding the fire radio system. The county is working with MCA on getting the number of pagers and radio needed by each department. All the infrastructure and console panels are being paid for by the county and the county is paying for a percentage of the mobiles and portables. The prices have increased since December 2021 and the city is waiting to hear back from Amanda Siegel, Deputy Director of Robertson County EMA, and Clint Zack with MCA about the final project costs.

Item 11: Municipal Court

The board members met with John Eskew, Municipal Court Specialist with MTAS, and Jody Dorris, City’s attorney, about creating a municipal court for ordinance citations. Jody is contacting a couple of judges to see if they would be interested in becoming the City’s Judge and their expected salary. City Recorder has contacted Local Government and requested a quote for the program that creates receipts for court costs. City Recorder has also got in touch with Coopertown’s Court Clerk about the program they use for court.

Recreation Club – Brandon Farmer has informed the board of commissioners that he will not return for the 2023 Ball Season as president. The board appreciates Brandon Farmer’s hard work and dedication and understands his resignation. The board of commissioners discussed possibly creating a part time position for someone to manage the recreation club. Commissioner Baird said more than one individual needs to be involved with managing it. Baird and Hall suggested scheduling a time and place to meet with all the parents before ball season is over to let them know, if the parents/volunteers do not step up and help run the league, there will not be a ball league next year. All were in favor to meet with parents and address the importance of volunteers.

Fire Department – Ray Brown was not present.

Other Business:

Commissioner Baird gave an update regarding the Easter Egg Hunt on April 16th at 10:00 at the Omer Gene Brooksher Pavilion. The Easter Bunny will be there at 9:30 to take pictures. If it starts to rain, the plan is to move the festivities inside the gym and Bell School building. Commissioner Baird would like to reschedule the community yard sale.

There being no further business, Mayor Evans moved to adjourned. Vice Mayor hall seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 7:48 pm.

Anna Luke, City Recorder

Robert Wayne Evans, Mayor