

# City Meeting September 14th 2023

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

# Item 1: Open with A Prayer

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

### **Item 2: City Council August Minutes**

Minutes from August were presented. Evans asked if there were any additions or corrections. With the no additions or corrections, the minutes were approved. Hall made a motion. Evans seconded it. All in favor, none opposed.

#### **Item 3: Financials**

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

#### Item 4: Resolution 2023-049

Hall made a motion to declare Map 41C Group A Parcel 23, as surplus property. Also, to accept bids on September 21<sup>st</sup> at 4:00 pm central time in Adams City Hall. Evans seconded the motion. A roll call was made; Baird, absent, Hall "Aye", Evans "Aye" Passed 2-0.

#### **Item 5: Ordinance 2023-045**

Evans opened the floor to a public hearing. The public did not have any comments. Evans made a motion to pass the first reading of Ordinance 2023-045. Hall seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed.

### **Item 6: Ordinance 2023-046**

Mayor Evans opened the floor to a public hearing. The public did not have any comments. Hall made a motion to pass the first reading of Ordinance 2023-046. Evans seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed.

### **Item 7: Ordinance 2023-047**

This ordinance was not read or discussed.

### **Item 8: Ordinance 2023-048**

Hall made a motion to pass the first reading of Ordinance 2023-048. Evans seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed.



# Item 9: Bid 2023-014 - Opened & Read Aloud

City Manager opened the bids for the following:

- 1. A-Z Property Services for \$22,000.00
- 2. Edwards Home Improvements for \$13,970.00
- 3. Richland Industries for \$41,414.00

The city council discussed the bids and the variety of amounts. The city council wanted City Manager to contact building codes inspector, Robert Jones, and find out more detailed specifications for an ADA complaint restroom. Evans made a motion to deny all bids and create a new bid packet with more specific requirements for bidders on the restroom remodel. Hall seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed.

### **Item 10: Record Retention**

The following documents will be shredded due to Adams' Record Retention Policy.

- 1. Recreation Club Fund 2007 through 2013; Bank Statements, Deposits, Check Stubs, Account Payables/Vendors, Cash Receipts, Receipt Book, Credit Card Purchases.
- 2. General Fund 2012 through 2013; Bank Statements, Deposits, Check Stubs, Account Payables/Vendors, Cash Receipts, Receipt Book, Credit Card Purchases.

# **Reports from Staff:**

- 1. Municipal Court Update City Manager informed the city council that a judge can not order a city to remove monetary value items off of a property. The judge could only rule on fines for violations of the Municipal Code. The only way a city can physically remedy conditions that involve removing tangible personal property, will be the abatement process, which is allowed by TCA codes. The city council discussed holding off with creating a municipal court for a while, because other than incurring cost to the city, it would not be helpful for resolving property maintenance violations. The city council would like for city staff to continue taking classes and learn more about the municipal court in the next coming years, in order to be prepared for it in the future.
- 2. Trash Can Quotes City Manager informed the city council that the president of the Recreation Club, requested to get trash cans for the ball field. These trash cans would help keep rain out of them, and be easier for the recreation club to remove the bags because they are smaller. The quotes were from Tree Top Products; \$498.85 for one trash can and \$578.85 for another trash cans. Evans made a motion to order four of the \$498.85 trash cans. Hall seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed.

**Rec Club** – No one present for Recreation Club.

**Fire Department** – Donovan Tucker was present for Adams Volunteer Fire Department. Mr. Tucker attended the Robertson County Fire Committee meeting on Monday on September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023. The meeting was regarding the Robertson County allocation to the fire department funds. The Robertson County Fire Committee approved to give Adams Volunteer Fire Department \$117,000 for the 2023-2024 Budget. This is an increase of \$34,600 for the year. The Robertson County Fire Committee decided on the number based on what the City of Adams was contributing



to the Adams Fire Department, and matched the number. Mr. Tucker asked the Robertson County Fire Committee for more money to hire a full-time fire fighter for Adams. The committee turned the request because it was too late and told Mr. Tucker to bring it back for the 2024-2025 budget. Vice Mayor Hall asked Assistant Fire Chief Tucker, what was the top priority needed for the Adams Fire Department. Mr. Tucker mentioned more a full-time fighter, PPE equipment, building another station for Cedar Hill, and possibly a new fire rescue truck. Mr. Tucker informed the city council that Pleasant View Fire Department put in for a community grant for SCBA and Adams Fire Department and North Robertson were included in the application. Mr. Tucker has not heard anything else about the status of the grant and believes it should be awarded in 2024.

Other Business: Vice Mayor Hall asked about the dirt down at the pulling track. He would like for the Tractor Pullers Association to put the dirt back on the track before the plays and events start taking place on the grounds the last week of September. City Manager advised Mr. Hall she would reach out to Jared Bobel and arrange for it to be done. Vice Mayor Hall asked about the Threshermen's new fence that was placed on the City's side of the west entrance to the grounds. Mr. Hall was under the impression there would be boards put up. Mayor Evans said they did fix the fence and put brace posts but the other improvements could be addressed at a later date.

Mayor Evans mentioned that the process for 103 South Adams Street requested clean up for violation of the Adams Municipal Code has started. City Manager informed the board that the property owner has until September 29<sup>th</sup> to remedy the condition and the two notices ran in the paper. Greg Shadrick has been contacted to bush hog the lot, if it was not mowed by property owner after September 29<sup>th</sup>. Matthew Tittel has been contacted to clean up trash and litter out of driveway and front porch, if the condition is not remedy after September 29<sup>th</sup>.

**Public Comments:** Mrs. Mary Mantooth made a comment regarding the Museum buildings outside. There are two buildings that need lights placed inside, in order for them to be used during the plays and the Adams Fall Festival. Mrs. Mantooth asked if the city would buy lamps for the two buildings. Vice Mayor Hall mention the museum fund be used to purchase the lamps. Mayor Evans agreed. The city council advised City Manager to purchase lights for the museum buildings.

There being no further business, Mayor	Evans moved to adjourned. Vice Mayor Hall seconded.
Meeting adjourned at 7:28 pm.	
Leslie Phelps City Recorder	Robert Wayne Evans Mayor