

**AMERY CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS**

**July 10, 2019**

The Amery City Council met on July 10, 2019 at City Hall – Council Chambers. Mayor, Paul Isakson called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Clerk-Treasurer, Patty Bjorklund conducted Roll Call.

Present: Mayor, Paul Isakson. Alderpersons: Tim, Strohbush, Julie Riemenschneider, Rick Van Blaricom, Kris Vicker, and Sarah Flanum.

Absent: Alderperson, Rick Davis.

Staff Present: City Administrator, Kim Moore; Public Works Director, “Bones” Allen McCarty; Police Chief, Tom Marson; Clerk-Treasurer, Patty Bjorklund and Amy Stormberg, Library Director.

Staff Absent: Fire Chief, Dale Koehler.

Others present: Members of the Public.

Mayor, Isakson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Minutes:** Approval of the minutes of the following:

June 5, 2019 – Organizational Meeting; June 5, 2019 Board of Review; June 5, 2019 Common Council; June 24, 2019 Parks & Recreation; June 25, 2019 Public Works; June 25, 2019 Finance and Personnel; June 25, 2019 Public Safety; June 26, 2019 Board of Review and June 27, 2019 Plan Commission. Motion to approve by Alderperson, Strohbush; seconded by Alderperson, Vicker.

Ayes – 6                      Nays – 0                      Motion Carried

**Public Comment:** None at this time.

**Officer Reports Read:** City Administrator, Kim Moore; Police Chief, Tom Marson; Director of Public Works, “Bones” Allen McCarty; City Clerk-Treasurer, Patty Bjorklund; Library Director, Amy Stormberg.

**Committee Reports Read:** Plan Commission; Public Works; Parks & Recreation; Finance and Personnel; and Public Safety and Welfare.

**New Business:** Finance Committee Approval of Well #3 Inspection. City Clerk-Treasurer, Bjorklund stated that Director of Public Works, McCarty had already had the well pulled and inspected. There were repairs to be made and the approval for payment of that process needs to happen. Motion by Alderperson, Van Blaricom to approve the payment for Well #3 Inspection, seconded by Alderperson, Strohbush.

Ayes – 6                      Nays – 0                      Motion Carried

Finance Committee Approval of RV Dump Station Fees. City Clerk-Treasurer, Bjorklund stated that according to the charge per 1,000 gallons of sewer does not compare to the usage for RV dump fees. Also, revenues collected for this year was over \$600. The consensus of the council was to leave the fee at \$10 for RV Dump Station Fees.

**Resignation of Alderperson, Rick Davis:** Mayor, Isakson received a resignation letter from Alderperson, Rick Davis. He stated he had been an active member of the council for 27-1/2 years. The mayor and the council appreciated his service. His resignation is effective immediately. The letter was dated July 2, 2019. Motion by Alderperson, Strobusch, seconded by Alderperson, Flanum to accept the resignation of Alderperson, Rick Davis effective immediately.

Ayes – 6                      Nays – 0                      Motion Carried

**Post-Issuance Debt Compliance Policy:** City Clerk-Treasurer, Bjorklund stated that the Post Issuance Debt Compliance Policy is to help ensure that all steps are taken to ensure that all obligations will be in compliance with all applicable regulations in regard to debt compliance. This is part of the steps taken to comply with the CDBG-PF Grant Funding process. Motion by Alderperson, Van Blaricom; seconded by Alderperson, Vicker to approve the Post-Issuance Debt Compliance Policy.

Ayes – 6                      Nays – 0                      Motion Carried

**Loan Agreement between the City of Amery and Bremer Bank, National Association:** Loan Agreement between the City of Amery and Bremer Bank, National Association was presented for the \$1,800,000 Note Anticipation Note, Series 2019, dated July 24, 2019. The proceeds of the loan will be used for public purposes, including: To finance a project for the reconstruction of Keller Avenue between Broadway Street and Hyland Street, including sanitary sewer, watermain and storm sewer improvements as more fully described in the City's Resolution adopted on July 10, 2019; and to provide for the costs of issuance of the Note. Motion by Alderperson, Strobusch; seconded by Alderperson, Flanum.

Ayes – 6                      Nays – 0                      Motion Carried

Ayes: Strobusch, Riemenschneider, Van Blaricom, Isakson, Vicker, Flanum  
Nays: None  
Motion Carried.

**Replacement of Library Board Member Josje Ditschler as City Representative:** Josje Ditschler is vacating her position as City Representative for the Library Board. Her term expired last month. The Library Board would like to install Kyrsten V.K. Hughes as City Representative for a 3-Year Term set to expire in June, 2022. Motion by Alderperson, Flanum to accept appointment of Kyrsten V.K. Hughes as City Representative on the Library Board with a term set to expire in June, 2022; seconded by Alderperson, Riemenschneider.

Ayes – 6                      Nays – 0                      Motion Carried

**Campground Rates:** City Clerk-Treasurer, Bjorklund stated that an individual had called inquiring about seasonal campground rates for North Park RV Campground. Camp sites are \$30 per night and can be for RV camping or tent camping. There are no provisions for seasonal campsites. She had also distributed other campground sites and their information to the council. Discussion ensued. This will be an item of discussion for Parks and Recreation at their next meeting. No action taken.

**Ordinances:** The following ordinances were read and explained by City Clerk-Treasurer, Bjorklund: Ordinance 06-2019 (Title 10 – Chapter 1 \*Traffic & Parking); Ordinance 07-2019 (Title 11 – Chapter 2 \*Offenses and Nuisances); Ordinance 08-2019 (Title 11 – Chapter 3 \*Offenses against Property); Ordinance 09-2019 (Title 11 – Chapter 6 \*Nuisances); Ordinance 10-2019 (Title 2 – Chapter 2 \*Mayor; Common Council); Ordinance 11-2019 (Title 2 – Chapter 3 \*Municipal Officers and Employees); Ordinance 12-2019 (Title 2 – Chapter 4 \*Municipal Officers and Employees); Ordinance 13-2019 (Title 1 – Chapter 1 \*Use and Construction of Code of

Ordinances); Ordinance 14-2019 (Title 2 – Chapter 1 \*City Government; Elections); Ordinance 15-2019 (Title 3 – Chapter 1 \*Finance); Ordinance 16-2019 (Title 3 – Chapter 2 \*Special Assessments); Ordinance 17-2019 (Title 3 – Chapter 3 \*Public Records). Ordinance discussion took place. Ordinance 06-2019 was tabled until legal clarification is drawn. Police Chief, Marson will look into the legalities and the council will review at the August 7, 2019 Council Meeting for possible approval.

Motion by Alderperson, Strohbush to approve Ordinance 07-2019; seconded by Alderperson, Van Blaricom.

Ayes – 6                      Nays – 0                      Motion Carried

Motion by Alderperson, Fl anum to approve Ordinance 08-2019; seconded by Alderperson, Riemenschneider.

Ayes – 6                      Nays – 0                      Motion Carried

Motion by Alderperson, Strohbush to approve Ordinance 09-2019; seconded by Alderperson, Riemenschneider.

Ayes – 6                      Nays – 0                      Motion Carried

Motion by Alderperson, Fl anum to approve Ordinance 10-2019; seconded by Alderperson, Riemenschneider.

Ayes – 6                      Nays – 0                      Motion Carried

Motion by Alderperson, Fl anum to approve Ordinance 11-2019; seconded by Alderperson, Strohbush.

Ayes – 6                      Nays – 0                      Motion Carried

Motion by Alderperson, Van Blaricom to approve Ordinance 12-2019; seconded by Alderperson, Riemenschneider.

Ayes – 6                      Nays – 0                      Motion Carried

Motion by Alderperson, Strohbush to approve Ordinance 13-2019; seconded by Alderperson, Van Blaricom.

Ayes – 6                      Nays – 0                      Motion Carried

Motion by Alderperson, Fl anum to approve Ordinance 14-2019; seconded by Alderperson, Riemenschneider.

Ayes – 6                      Nays – 0                      Motion Carried

Motion by Alderperson, Strohbush to approve Ordinance 15-2019; seconded by Alderperson, Van Blaricom.

Ayes – 6                      Nays – 0                      Motion Carried

Motion by Alderperson, Van Blaricom to approve Ordinance 16-2019; seconded by Alderperson, Strohbush.

Ayes – 6                      Nays – 0                      Motion Carried

Motion by Alderperson, Riemenschneider to approve Ordinance 17-2019; seconded by Alderperson, Strohbush.

Ayes – 6                      Nays – 0                      Motion Carried

**Resolutions:** Resolution #10-2019 was introduced for adoption. Resolution providing for the issuance, sale and delivery of a \$1,800,000 Note Anticipation Note, Series 2019 of the City of Amery, Wisconsin; establishing the terms and conditions therefore, directing its execution and delivery; creating a debt service account therefore; and awarding the sale thereof. This resolution is for issuance for the purpose of providing funds for the short-term temporary financing for public purposes, including reconstruction of Keller Avenue between Broadway Street and Hyland Street, including sanitary sewer, watermain and storm sewer improvements in anticipation of the issuance of general promissory notes to provide long term financing for the Project. The City has received a proposal from Bremer Bank, National Association, located in Amery, Wisconsin, to purchase the Note at a price of \$1,800,000.

Motion by Alderperson, Strohbusch to approve #10-2019; seconded by Alderperson, Flanum.

Ayes – 6                      Nays – 0                      Motion Carried

**Future Agenda Items:** Budget Priorities. City Clerk-Treasurer, Bjorklund created a Budget Priorities document for the 2020 Budget (Done by Ranking). Mayor, Isakson instructed all council members to review the list of priorities and return to City Clerk-Treasurer, Bjorklund before the August 7, 2019 Council Meeting. At that time, the rankings will be discussed.

**Closed Session:** Motion by Alderperson, Strohbusch; seconded by Alderperson, Riemenschneider to go into closed session proceedings at 6:30 p.m. under WI §19.85 (1) (c) Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. (e) Deliberating or negotiating the purchase of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session.

Roll Call Vote was conducted by City Clerk-Treasurer, Bjorklund as follows:

Ayes: Strohbusch, Riemenschneider, Van Blaricom, Isakson, Vicker, Flanum  
Nays: None  
Motion Carried.

Motion by Alderperson, Strohbusch; seconded by Alderperson, Flanum to come out of closed session proceedings at 6:54 p.m.

Ayes – 6                      Nays - 0                      Motion carried.

Motion by Alderperson, Davis; seconded by Alderperson, Riemenschneider to adjourn at 6:55 p.m.

Ayes - 6                      Nays - 0                      Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Bjorklund, WCMC/CMC, CMTW  
City Clerk-Treasurer