

Council met in regular session. Members present were: Tim Harbach, Kevin Korsmo, Diane Harman, Weston Bishop and Mayor Becker. Absent: Nathan Shepard. Mayor Becker called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. Also present: Amber Bell, City Clerk/Treasurer, resident Rodney Haerther, resident Karee Dietrich, resident Dennis Knock, resident Cory Sorum, Molly Stark and Bree Hepker from Early Beginnings Daycare, Nick Eisenbacher from Snyder & Associates, Kelli Scott Civil Engineer from Snyder & Associates, Mike Jennings Atkins Public Works Director.

Bishop made a motion, second by Harbach, to approve the Consent Agenda which consisted of the minutes from November 2nd, 2015. The Consent Agenda also includes a list of bills for approval. Ayes: Harbach, Herman, Bishop and Korsmo. Nay: None. Motion carried.

<b>Bills Approved November 16th, 2015</b>		
Amber Bell	Wages (through November 14th, 2015)	\$ 1,579.28
Mike Jennings	Wages (through November 14th, 2015)	\$ 1,618.49
Todd Damon	Wages (through November 14th, 2015)	\$ 1,264.76
Da Shawn Wilson	Wages (through November 14th, 2015)	\$ 628.85
Bankers Trust	Bond Interest Payment (12/1)	\$ 30,241.25
Bankers Trust	Bond Interest Payment (12/1)	\$ 8,427.50
Bankers Trust	Bond Interest Payment (12/1)	\$ 22,353.75
Chase	Postage for water bills and newsletter	\$ 841.10
Chase	Microsoft	\$ 50.00
Computer Brokers Midwest Electronic	Garbage Cleanup Days Recycle Fee	\$ 195.00
ECICOG	Comp Plan Update	\$ 1,078.00
Fire Service Training Bureau	Fire Department	\$ 50.00
Garbage Tag Reimbursement	Garbage Tag Reimbursement	\$ 8.40
Hawkins	Water Treatment	\$ 1,838.03
Heinman	Fire Department	\$ 37.36
Iowa DNR	Application fee for WWTP	\$ 100.00
Iowa One Call	Location Services	\$ 42.40
John Deere Financial	Park Supplies	\$ 12.76
Keystone	Water Treatment	\$ 358.92
Kirkwood Community College	Todd Damon Training	\$ 125.00
Linn County Rural Electric Cooperative	Utilities	\$ 648.77
Menards	Park Supplies	\$ 15.95
MidAmerican Energy	Utilities	\$ 76.73
Ralston Construction	Concrete Replacement	\$ 5,000.00
Staples	Office Supplies	\$ 156.50
The Depot Express	Fire Department	\$ 150.82
The Depot Express	Parks/Water/Sewer	\$ 179.77
TrueGreen	Lawn Care Water Plant	\$ 120.00
TrueGreen	Lawn Care Soccer Fields	\$ 1,210.00
TrueGreen	Lawn Care City Park	\$ 187.50
U.S. Cellular	Utilities	\$ 190.37
Van Meter	Fire Department	\$ 36.63
Waste Management	Garbage Collection	\$ 8,778.20
Waste Management	Cleanup Up Day Garbage bins	\$ 938.88

WellMark	Health Insurance	\$ 2,351.69
<b>Library</b>		
Cathy Becker	Wages (through November 14th, 2015)	\$ 1,037.04
Vicky Myers	Wages (through November 14th, 2015)	\$ 118.49
Chase	Books	\$ 475.66
Chase	Postage	\$ 4.03
DP Properties	Janitorial Services through 10/5/2015	\$ 240.00
Kids Reference Company	Books	\$ 83.98
MidAmerican Energy	Utilities	\$ 22.06
Michael Frederick	Books	\$ 70.00
MicroMarketing	Books	\$ 47.00
The Penworthy Company	Books	\$ 79.33
TrueGreen	Lawn Care	\$ 312.50

Scott updated the council on the Engineers Report. Scott let the council know that the design plans for the Waste Water Treatment Plant are continuing. Scott submitted 60% plans to the DNR. The DNR came back requesting some minor changes with sludge removal. Scott is working with the DNR on this and the plan should be approved. Scott let the council know that they are expecting bid letting to happen in February or March. Construction is expected to start in the spring.

Harbach brought up that the water is not draining well enough on Parkridge rd. Scott will look into the drainage over the next couple of days. She will work with Schrader to determine if any more work needs to be done on this.

The council opened the discussion about the Early Beginnings Daycare. Stark and Hepker updated the council on some of the things their attorneys are working on. Once these are completed then the grading can be done on the easement behind the daycare. The City Clerk will also work with the attorneys to ensure these items get completed in a timely fashion.

A presentation was given to the council by Karee Dietrich. The presentation was about adding a garden at Atkins Elementary School. The garden would be used to teach the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade kids about healthy eating. The Harbach made a motion to support the idea and concept of the garden, and to add this topic to the next agenda. The motion was seconded by Korsmo. Ayes: Harbach, Herman, Bishop and Korsmo. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The council opened discussion for other business. A discussion was brought up about the city election. Benton County changed the election results from unofficial to official on Friday the 13<sup>th</sup>. On the same day the city clerk received a letter with the election results. There was some concern over the elected council members not being contacted by the county. The new city council will be Dave Becker (Mayor), Kevin Korsmo, Tim Harbach, Diane Herman, Nathan Shepard and Rodney Haerther.

Bishop brought up some concerns about the library and the library budget. This will be added to the agenda for next council meeting. Some questions were brought up about snow removal along the sidewalks. The sidewalk running along Parkridge by the soccer fields was difficult to maintain. The snowmobile routes were changed to help address this. This is a difficult part to maintain because of the drifting snow.

On motion by Harbach, second by Korsmo, council voted to adjourn. Ayes: Harbach, Herman, Bishop and Korsmo. Nay: None. Motion carried. The next regular council meeting will be on Monday, December 7th, 2015 at City Hall, 480 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, starting at 7:30 PM.

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Mayor David Becker

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Amber Bell,  
City Clerk/ Treasurer