

Council met in regular session. Members present were: Tim Harbach, Kevin Korsmo, Diane Herman, Nathan Shepard, Rodney Haerther and Mayor Becker. Absent: None. Mayor Becker called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. Also present: Amber Bell, City Clerk/Treasurer, Deputy Clerk DaShawn Wilson, resident Kirk Droper, resident Dick Lange, resident Pamela Duball, Nick Eisenbacher and Kelli Scott from Snyder & Associates, Cathy Becker Atkins Library Director, Mike Jennings Atkins Public Works Director and Mark Reinders from MidAmerican Energy.

Korsmo made a motion, and was seconded by Harbach, to approve the Consent Agenda which consisted of the minutes from December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2015. The Consent Agenda also includes a list of bills for approval. Ayes: Harbach, Korsmo, Herman, Shepard and Haerther. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Amber Bell	Wages (through December 12th, 2015)	\$ 1,948.68
Mike Jennings	Wages (through December 12th, 2015)	\$ 1,919.89
Todd Damon	Wages (through December 12th, 2015)	\$ 1,606.16
Da Shawn Wilson	Wages (through December 12th, 2015)	\$ 1,060.33
David Becker	Wages	\$ 676.56
Weston Bishop	Wages	\$ 150.00
Timothy Harbach	Wages	\$ 300.00
Diane Herman	Wages	\$ 250.00
Kevin Korsmo	Wages	\$ 300.00
Rodney Haerther	Wages	\$ 100.00
Atkins Automotive	Park Supplies	\$ 126.82
Benton County Auditor	Election Expenses	\$ 1,492.42
ECICOG	Compressive Plan Renewal	\$ 1,155.00
Harn RO	Water Treatment	\$ 1,880.00
Iowa One Call	Location Services	\$ 53.20
IPERS	November-15	\$ 2,652.73
Marengo Publishing Coop	Publishing Expense	\$ 199.38
Snyder Associates	WWTP	\$ 31,650.00
Staples	Office Supplies	\$ 194.49
The Northway Corporation	Repaired Vertical Turbine Booster Pump	\$ 5,321.35
Van Meter	Water Plant Supplies	\$ 100.91
Vessco, Inc.	Water Plant Supplies	\$ 74.45
Wellmark	Health Insurance	\$ 1,429.28
<b>Library</b>		
Cathy Becker	Wages (through December 12th, 2015)	\$ 1,465.76
Vicky Myers	Wages (through December 12th, 2015)	\$ 240.82
D.P. Properties	Cleaning Service	\$ 240.00
Staples	Office Supplies	\$ 29.75
Wellmark	Health Insurance	\$ 922.41

The council discussed the final pay request for Schrader Excavating & Grading Co. Per Scott the Parkridge sidewalk project is 100% complete per the contract. The council discussed some issues with some ponding of water on Parkridge. This is because when the road was originally laid it was not designed to have a curb. A curb was added to address other issues. Scott discussed several solutions for this issue. It was determined that the contract has been completed a Motion was made by Harbach that was seconded by Korsmo to release the final payment. Ayes: Harbach, Korsmo, Herman, Shepard and Haerther. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The council discussed the engineers report from Scott. Scott talked to the council about adding a disincentive program to the Waste Water Treatment Plant contract. Scott stated that this has worked well with other projects of this size. Scott will do some more research on this. Scott also talked to the council about replacing a sewer line along Railroad St. There are several intersections that routinely need to be pumped in heavy rain. The clean water sewer pipe needs to be replaced with a larger size. Scott stated that we can add this to the Waste Water Treatment Plant SRF loan. This can be added as a bid alternative so contractors can decide if they want to take on both projects when submitting their bids.

Bell gave the council an update on what the attorneys are working on for Early Beginning's Daycare.

Becker opened the public hearing portion of the meeting. A public hearing was held to renew the MidAmerican contract with the city. Bell stated that no verbal or written comments had been received on this matter. Becker asked the public if there were any comments. Harbach made a motion to approve renewing the contract with MidAmerican. This motion was seconded by Herman. Ayes: Harbach, Korsmo, Herman, Shepard and Haerther. Nay: None. Motion carried. Korsmo made a motion to wave the second reading and approve the third reading. This motion was seconded by Harbach. Ayes: Harbach, Korsmo, Herman, Shepard and Haerther. Nay: None. A roll call was done to approve this as well. Harbach: Aye, Korsmo: Aye, Shepard: Aye, Herman: Aye and Haerther: Aye.

The council reviewed the quote for LL Pelling and compared it to last year. The quotes were very comparable. Harbach made a motion to accept the materials quote from LL Pelling. This was seconded by Herman. Ayes: Harbach, Korsmo, Herman and Shepard. Nay: None. Haerther abstained from the vote. Motion carried.

The council continued discussions about the new position for the library. The library is looking at creating a position that may expand to include other programs in the future. Currently the position would primarily focus on the Summer Reading Program. The council wanted more details about the funding of a position and where it would fit in the library budget. The council also asked for a more detailed job description on what programs this position may encompass in the future. Herman motioned to table the discussion and this was seconded by Harbach. Ayes: Harbach, Korsmo, Herman, Shepard and Haerther. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The liquor license for the AH Schueler Post 217 is up for renewal. Korsmo made the motion to approve this liquor license and this was seconded by Herman. Ayes: Harbach, Korsmo, Herman, Shepard and Haerther. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The meeting was opened up for other business. Korsmo mentioned that city hall only has one phone line coming in, and that at times it can be difficult to get through. The city clerk will research getting a second line for city hall or the options for utilizing the fax line. Also it would be helpful if it would let you leave a message is the phone line is in use. Korsmo also stated that the ACC Christmas party went very well and wanted to thank everyone that came out. He also thanked all the donors that helped. Korsmo brought up a concern about some residents dumping their sump pump water into the streets. This then freezes and can create ice patches. The city clerk will look into our ordinance on this matter.

Korsmo made a motion to adjourn the meeting and this was seconded by Harbach. Ayes: Harbach, Korsmo, Herman, Shepard and Haerther. Nay: None. Motion carried. The next regular council meeting will be on Monday, January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016 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