

January 4th, 2015

Atkins, Iowa

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, resident Corey Sorum, resident Dave Duball, Cathy Becker Atkins Library Director and Mike Jennings Atkins Public Works Director.

Korsmo made a motion, and was seconded by Herman, to approve the Consent Agenda which consisted of the minutes from December 21st, 2015. The Consent Agenda also includes a list of bills for approval. Ayes: Harbach, Korsmo, Herman, Shepard and Haerther. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Bills Approved January 4th, 2016		
Amber Bell	Wages (through December 26th, 2015)	\$ 2,041.48
Mike Jennings	Wages (through December 26th, 2015)	\$ 1,618.49
Todd Damon	Wages (through December 26th, 2015)	\$ 1,264.76
Da Shawn Wilson	Wages (through December 26th, 2015)	\$ 737.43
Amber Bell	Health Insurance	\$ 267.10
Mike Jennings	Health Insurance	\$ 173.40
Affinity Care	League of Cities Dues	\$ 16.80
Alliant Energy	Fire Department	\$ 209.95
Alliant Energy	City Utilities	\$ 5,616.82
Atkins Lumber	Fork Lift Rental	\$ 60.00
Atkins Lumber	Park Pavilion Plexy Glass	\$ 214.00
Atkins Lumber	City Supplies	\$ 34.09
Atkins Telephone	Fire Department	\$ 133.38
Atkins Telephone	City Telephone Expense	\$ 275.46
Benton County Solid Waste	Landfill Fees	\$ 838.75
Furler	Water Treatment	\$ 435.00
IRS	Sales Tax	\$ 911.90
Hawkins	Water Treatment	\$ 1,659.03
Marco	Printing Expenses	\$ 100.88
MetLife	Group Insurance	\$ 408.96
Schimberg Co.	Water Treatment	\$ 690.57
Snyder & Associates	General Engineering	\$ 369.00
US Cellular	Telephone Expense	\$ 135.45
Waste Management	Garage Collection	\$ 372.88
Wellmark	Health Insurance	\$ 1,429.28
Library		
Cathy Becker	Wages (through December 26th, 2015)	\$ 1,076.20
Vicky Myers	Wages (through December 26th, 2015)	\$ 177.10
Alliant Energy	Library	\$ 496.24
Atkins Telephone	Library	\$ 66.88
DP Properties	Janitor Services	\$ 240.00

The council discussed the new position for the Library. Becker shared with the council the new programs this position will be able to provide. The library budget was discussed in reference to the added position. The council reviewed the job description and the advertising for the position. After the review of the position the council is in support of adding a part time Program Director to the Library Staff. Becker will proceed with advertising for the position.

The council discussed the wireless internet usage after hours in the library. Quite often residents will come and use the internet in the parking lot or near the building after the library has closed. This has created some security concerns. The council advised the library to shut off the wireless internet when the library closes. The council also discussed replacing or adding some of equipment in the library, and working this into the library budget as well.

The council opened the discussion for other business. Some of the challenges with the most recent snow and ice storm was discussed. The council advised on some reminders that can added to the next newsletter about winter weather. Becker brought up some changes with recycling that some other cities are experiencing. Current none of these are effecting Atkins in any way, but he wanted the council to be aware.

Harbach made a motion to adjourn the meeting and this was seconded by Korsmo. Ayes: Harbach, Korsmo, Herman, Shepard and Haerther. Nay: None. Motion carried. The next regular council meeting will be on Monday, January 18th, 2016 at City Hall, 480 3rd Avenue, starting at 7:30 PM.

Mayor David Becker

ATTEST: _____
Amber Bell,
City Clerk/ Treasurer