

May 16th, 2016 Atkins, Iowa

Council met in regular session. Members present were: Mayor Becker, Tim Harbach, Kevin Korsmo, Diane Herman, Nathan Shepard, and Rodney Haerther. Absent: None. Mayor Becker called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. Also present: Amber Bell City Clerk, Mike Jennings Public Works Director, Todd Damon Public Works, Nick Eisenbacher from Snyder and Associates, resident Dick Lange, Cathy Becker Atkins Public Library.

<b>Bills Approved May 16th, 2016</b>		
Amber Bell	Wages (through April 16th, 2016)	\$ 1,579.28
Mike Jennings	Wages (through April 16th, 2016)	\$ 1,618.49
Todd Damon	Wages (through April 16th, 2016)	\$ 1,623.91
Da Shawn Wilson	Wages (through April 16th, 2016)	\$ 990.75
Allen, Vernon & Hoskins, PLC	Legal Advice	\$ 13.91
Alliant Energy	Utilities	\$ 2,988.75
Alliant Energy	Utilities Fire Department	\$ 100.09
Atkins Automotive	City Truck repair	\$ 424.94
Chase	Flags	\$ 374.00
Chase	Water Bill Postage	\$ 234.85
Copier Support Systems	Toner for Printers	\$ 542.82
Iowa Association of Municipal Utilities	Water Member Dues	\$ 562.14
Keystone	Water Testing	\$ 517.85
Linn County Rural Electric Coop	Utilities	\$ 675.70
Mid-American	Fire Department	\$ 39.00
Mid-American	City Utilities	\$ 254.31
Staples	Office and Cleaning Supplies	\$ 118.05
Storey Kenworthy	Check Stock	\$ 298.10
U.S Cellular	Telephone Expense	\$ 138.09
Van Meter	Fire Department	\$ 347.68
Waste Management	Garbage Collection	\$ 8,850.80
<b>Library</b>		
Cathy Becker	Wages (through April 16th, 2016)	\$ 1,037.04
Vicky Myers	Wages (through April 16th, 2016)	\$ 163.47
Alliant Energy	Utilities	\$ 409.50
Chase	Books	\$ 377.13
Chase	Summer Reading Supplies	\$ 79.95
Chase	Postage	\$ 66.18
Jones Library Sales	Shelf for Library	\$ 3,042.00
Mid-American	Utilities	\$ 70.42
Penworthy	Books	95.88

Becker opened the meeting and Korsmo made a motion to approve the consent agenda including the Minutes from the May 2<sup>nd</sup> Council meeting and the list of bills for approval. The motion was seconded by Harbach. Ayes: Harbach, Herman, Shepard, Haerther and Korsmo. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The council reviewed the engineers report with the city engineer. The council discussed the utility easements that are needed for the Waste Water Treatment Plant. The location size and timing of each of the easements were discussed.

The Council also discussed the approving the Preliminary Plat for the Ridgeview 6<sup>th</sup> Addition. The drainage and water issues were discussed at length with the city engineer. A long discussion took place that laid out how to enforce the plat and plans. They discussed who over saw witch stages of the building and who was accountable for making sure all grading and drainage is done correctly. Harbach made a motion to approve the Preliminary Plat for the Ridgeview 6<sup>th</sup> Addition. The motion was seconded by Herman. Ayes: Harbach, Herman, Shepard, Haerther and Korsmo. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Bell presented a plan to be able to pay off a bond early to free up some general obligation debt. The city would like to decrease the debt as much as possible before the financing closes on the Waste Water Treatment Plant. The council gave the approval for Bell to prepare a budget amendment to account for this. This will be presented at a later meeting.

The council discussed how much to take out on a general obligation bond to partially finance the Waste Water Treatment Plant. The council could approve up to \$2,000,000.00 for the general obligation bond. A motion was made to take out a \$1,750,000.00 general obligation bond by Harbach. The motion was seconded by Herman. Ayes: Harbach, Herman, Shepard, and Korsmo. Nay: Haerther. Motion carried.

The council reviewed a quote from Starnik Systems, Inc. The quote is on an upgrade to the water billing system to be able to accept credit cards and have an online bill pay option available to residents. This also includes a new accounting system that would replace the existing system. The cost for this is \$3,000.00 for the first year including installation, then an annual fee ongoing after that. The annual fee will be less than the existing annual fees that we are currently paying.

The council discussed the goal cart permits and how many residents were not registered or were registering late. A motion was made by Korsmo to send another round of letters to those who have not registered there golf carts. The motion was seconded by Harbach. Ayes: Harbach, Herman, Shepard, Haerther and Korsmo. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The council also discussed other repairs and updates that need to be done at the city park. Jennings will get some quotes of repairing or replacing the brick work on the bell in the park. He will also be getting some quotes on trimming up some of the trees in the park. Bell is working on getting quotes of painting the gazebo area and making minor updates to it.

Becker opened the meeting to other business. Resident Dick Lange asked the council if the city would be willing to help run sewer and water services to the kitchen and future restrooms at the soccer fields. The council would like more information and pricing before anything is voted on.

Korsmo made a motion to adjourn the meeting and this was seconded by Harbach. Ayes: Harbach, Herman, Shepard and Haerther. Nay: None. Motion carried. The next regular council meeting will be on Monday, June 6th, 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



