March 6th, 2017 Atkins, Iowa

Council met in regular session. Members present were: Mayor Kevin Korsmo, Diane Herman, Rodney Haerther, Nathan Shepard and Frank King. Absent: Tim Harbach. Mayor Korsmo called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. Also, present: Amber Bell City Clerk, DaShawn Wilson Deputy Clerk, Todd Damon and Jarrod Tomlinson from Atkins Public Works, Devin Kelly city Attorney, and Doug Anderson from EMC Insurance.

Herman made a motion to approve the consent agenda including the Minutes of February 20th, 2017 and list of bills for approval, pending a correction to the attendance on the February 20, 2017 minutes to reflect that Kevin Korsmo was absent. The motion was seconded by Haerther. Ayes: Herman, Shepard, King and Haerther. Nay: None. Motion carried.

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| **Bills Approved March 6th 2017** |
| Amber Bell | Wages |  $ 1,629.52  |
| Todd Damon | Wages |  $ 1,335.66  |
| Jarod Tomlinson | Wages |  $ 1,201.74  |
| Da Shawn Wilson | Wages |  $ 867.40  |
| Amber Bell | Health Insurance |  $ 305.85  |
| Alliant Energy | Street Lights |  $ 1,759.86  |
| A Tech, Inc | Fire Department |  $ 60.00  |
| Alliant Energy | Utility Bills Fire Department |  $ 117.69  |
| Alliant Energy | Utility Bills |  $ 70.24  |
| Allen, Vernon & Hoskins | Legal Advice |  $ 1,164.72  |
| Atkins Telephone | Fire Department |  $ 176.70  |
| Atkins Telephone | City Hall and City |  $ 285.92  |
| Atkins Lumber | Park Supplies |  $ 92.33  |
| Atkins Lumber | Fire Department |  $ 171.95  |
| Benton County Auditor | Law Enforcement Wages |  $ 5,499.00  |
| Benton County Solid Waste Commission | Gate Fees for Landfill |  $ 794.50  |
| Benton County Solid Waste Commission | Quarterly Fees |  $ 13,777.50  |
| Creative Technology | El Dorado Billing Support |  $ 695.00  |
| Federal Tax Deposit | Payroll Taxes |  $ 3,562.43  |
| Ken way | Water Main Break Repair |  $ 4,740.24  |
| Linn County Rural Electric Coop | Sewer Utilities |  $ 1,230.44  |
| Poweshiek Water Association | Sewer Utilities |  $ 41.25  |
| The Depot Express | Fuel Roads/parks/Fire Department |  $ 372.72  |
| **Library** |   |   |
| Cathy Becker | Wages |  $ 1,086.13  |
| Vicki Meyers | Wages |  $ 141.77  |
| Atkins Telephone | Telephone Expense |  $ 65.23  |
| Micro Marketing | Audio Video |  $ 35.00  |
| D P Properties | Cleaning Services |  $ 240.00  |

The council discussed a new quote for the city of Atkins on insurance coverage. Some of the things discussed were deductibles, coverage values, premiums, and finding other ways to reduce the insurance bill for the city. Anderson stated that he will also attend the next council meeting to further discuss a new quote that he is working on.

The council reviewed that current contract with the city attorney. This contract is up for renewal. The council would like to gather more quotes from other attorneys in the area to compare with the current contract. Once the city reviews other options in the area the council will decide whether to renew this contract.

The council discussed the plan for going through Codification. The council will review the first few chapters first and discuss any ordinance changes they would like to make. The changes would be made by writing a new ordinance and following the process of adopting it into city code. No specific changes were discussed.

The meeting was opened for other business. The city has gotten many complaints of dogs pooping on city streets, and trails. We put a reminder in our newsletter that it is against city ordinance to not clean up after your pet. It is also common curtesy for your neighbors to keep the streets and trails clean for everyone’s use.

King made a motion to adjourn the meeting and this was seconded by Shepard. Ayes: Herman, King, Shepard and Haerther. Nay: None. Motion carried. The next regular council meeting will be on Monday, March 20th, 2017 at City Hall, 480 3rd Avenue, starting at 7:30 PM.

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Mayor Kevin Korsmo

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Amber Bell, City Clerk/ Treasurer

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