

Minutes of Atkins City Council Meeting

February 17th, 2020 Atkins, Iowa

Council met in Regular session. Members present by roll call were Robert Spading, Lana Robison, Nathan Shepard and Joey Svejda. Heather was out of town on business and joined on speaker phone. Absent: None. Mayor Bruce Visser called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Also, present: Amber Bell City Clerk, Dan Rammelsberg from Atkins Fire Department, Todd Damon from Atkins Public Works, Nick Eisenbacher from Snyder & Associates, Wes Howard from Cedar Ridge Developing, Shawn Steffen, Brad Bergeson, Michelle Pugh, Aaron Pugh, Mike Palumbo, Beverly Hayden and Kyle & Mandi Leaven.

Spading made a motion to approve the consent agenda for February 17th, 2020 Including: City Council Minutes of Special Meeting February 13th, 2020.

Receive and file Engineers Report dated February 17th, 2020.

List of Bills for Approval.

Robison seconded to the motion. Ayes: Svejda, Rinderknecht (via Speakerphone), Spading, Shepard and Robison. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Bills for approval February 17th, 2019		
Cathy Becker	Wages 2/3/2020 to 2/15/2020	\$ 1,250.35
Amber Bell	Wages 2/3/2020 to 2/15/2020	\$ 1,852.27
Jim Crawford	Wages 2/3/2020 to 2/15/2020	\$ 102.20
Todd Damon	Wages 2/3/2020 to 2/15/2020	\$ 1,938.29
Vicky Myers	Wages 2/3/2020 to 2/15/2020	\$ 177.04
Jarrold Tomlinson	Wages 2/3/2020 to 2/15/2020	\$ 1,326.35
American Water Works Association	Water Works Operators Meeting	\$ 50.00
Benton County Auditor	Law Enforcement Wages for 1st Quarter	\$ 5,850.00
Benton County Engineer	Salt/Sand	\$ 1,340.65
Benton County Solid Waste	Per Capita Landfill Fee	\$ 10,855.00
Chem-Sult	Water Treatment	\$ 10,546.80
CHASE Card	Microsoft 360	\$ 37.50
CHASE Card	Postage	\$ 220.46
CHASE Card	Fleet Farm	\$ 198.08
CHASE Card	Harbor Freight Tools	\$ 96.93
CHASE Card	Violation Letter Postage	\$ 556.24
CHASE Card	Cleaning and Bathroom Supplies	\$ 336.87
CHASE Card	Game time Playground repairs	\$ 497.67
CHASE Card	Target Library Supplies	\$ 42.80
CHASE Card	Books	\$ 595.60
D P Properties	Library Cleaning	\$ 254.00
EFTPS	Federal Tax Deposit	\$ 1,761.06
Future Line Truck Equipment	Snow Roads Equipment	\$ 203.35

Gazette Communications	Publishing Expenses	\$ 109.08
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Iowa Association of Municipal Utilities	Water Member Annual Dues	\$ 703.00
ION Environmental Solutions	Water Department Testing	\$ 1,141.50
IPERS	Employee Pension for January 2020	\$ 3,319.54
John Deere Financial	Roads Department	\$ 141.62
Martin Equipment	Roads Department	\$ 249.44
Menards	Roads Department	\$ 103.14
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Menards	Roads Department	\$ 34.47
Our Town Publications	Newsletter	\$ 40.20
Office of Auditor of State	Annual Audit Fees	\$ 10,217.77
Per Mar Security	Security Services	\$ 153.00
Wellmark	Health Insurance	\$ 3,248.32
	Received	Distributed
General	\$ 20,658.83	\$ 36,791.92
Road Use Tax	\$ -	\$ 5,903.64
Employee Benefit	\$ 138.15	\$ 2,436.32
TIF	\$ -	
Local Option Sales Tax	\$ -	
Water	\$ 18,794.73	\$ 88,220.32
Sewer	\$ 43,356.08	\$ 9,302.42
Total	\$ 82,947.79	\$ 142,654.62

The Council had a discussion with Dan Rammelsberg about an agreement between the City of Atkins and the Linn-Benton Fire District. They discussed a meeting to get a quote for a Fire Apparatus- Pumper Truck purchase. The council also was updated by Mayor Visser on an upcoming meeting to learn more about a City Administrator position. The Council will meet on March 10th at 6:00pm for a work session to discuss the City Administrator position.

Robison made a motion to proceed with having the City Attorney review and Economic Development proposal. The motion also allows to the city to gather more information on TIF funding. Spading seconded the motion. Ayes: Svejda, Rinderknecht (via Speakerphone), Spading, Shepard and Robison. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Robison made a motion to open a Public Hearing concerning the Proposed the Proposed Property Tax Levy, Fiscal Year July 1, 2020 – June 2021 (FY21) for The City of Atkins. Spading Seconded the Motion. Ayes: Svejda, Rinderknecht (via Speakerphone), Spading, Shepard and Robison. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

No written comments were received by the City of Atkins. Oral comments were accepted by the City Council. Spading made a motion to close the Public Hearing. Svejda seconded the

motion. Ayes: Svejda, Rinderknecht (via Speakerphone), Spading, Shepard and Robison. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Spading made a motion to adopt Resolution 771 Approval of Maximum Property Tax Levy, Fiscal Year July 1st, 2020 – June 30th, 2021 (FY21) For the City of Atkins, Iowa. Svejda seconded the motion. Ayes: Svejda, Rinderknecht (via Speakerphone), Spading, Shepard and Robison. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

The Council had a discussion on the future of the Public Warning Siren Program. The Diane Arnold Energy Center will be closing and will not longer run the Public Warning Siren Program. The Council discussed information about plans Benton County is making about the program. Shepard made a motion to table any action on the Public Warning Siren Program until we have more information. The motion to table was seconded by Robison. Ayes: Svejda, Rinderknecht (via Speakerphone), Spading, Shepard and Robison. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

The Council discussed the City of Atkins Budget FY21. Shepard made a motion to approve the Proposed City Budget, Fiscal Year July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021 (FY21). This motion included Decreasing the Atkins Public Library budget by \$6,200.00 and Increasing the Atkins Fire Department Budget by \$6,200.00. Robison seconded the motion. Ayes: Rinderknecht (via Speakerphone), Spading, Shepard and Robison. Nay: Svejda. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Shepard made a motion to set the Public Hearing to consider a resolution to adopt the City Budget, Fiscal Year July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021 (FY21) for the City of Atkins, Iowa. The date will be Monday, March 2nd, 2020 at 7:30pm at Atkins City Hall at 480 Third Avenue, Atkins, Iowa. Spading seconded the motion. Ayes: Svejda, Rinderknecht (via Speakerphone), Spading, Shepard and Robison. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

The Council discussed updated for Well#2 with Atkins Public Works. The Council opened the meeting for public comments.

The next Regular Council Meeting date for Monday, March 2nd, 2020 at 7:00PM at Atkins City Hall, 480 3rd Ave, Atkins.

Spading made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Robison seconded to the motion. Ayes: Svejda, Rinderknecht (via Speakerphone), Spading, Shepard and Robison. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

City Clerk: Amber Bell

Mayor: Bruce Visser

