

Minutes of Atkins City Council Meeting

May 4th, 2020 Atkins, Iowa

Council met in Regular session. Members present by roll call via teleconference due to COVID -19 response were Heather Rinderknecht, Nathan Shepard, Lana Robison, Robert Spading and Joey Svejda. Absent: None. Also, present in person: Mayor Bruce Visser and Amber Bell City Clerk. Nick Eisenbacher from Snyder & Associates, Wes Howard from Cedar Ridge Homes, Todd Damon from Atkins Public Works, Molly Stark, Mike Palumbo, Andrew Burkart, Derek Schroder, Christopher Yeater, Maria Olson and Pastor Doug Woltemath were also called on the teleconference. Mayor Bruce Visser called the meeting to order at 7:09 pm.

Spading made a motion to approve the consent agenda for May 4th, 2020 Including: City Council Minutes April 20th, 2020. With the correction of a statement made by Shepard. The Minutes should have reflected that in Shepard's opinion the actions of the Mayor were unconstitutional when he issued the Emergency Proclamation for the City of Atkins. List of Bills for Approval.

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

Bills for approval May 4th, 2020		
Amber Bell	Wages 4/12/2020 to 4/25/2020	\$ 1,852.27
Cathy Becker	Wages 4/12/2020 to 4/25/2020	\$ 1,225.95
Todd Damon	Wages 4/12/2020 to 4/25/2020	\$ 1,938.29
Jarrold Tomlinson	Wages 4/12/2020 to 4/25/2020	\$ 1,326.35
Jarrold Tomlinson	80 Hours Comp Time	\$ 1,497.07
Jarrold Tomlinson	Tuition Reimbursement	\$ 511.00
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Vicky Myers	Wages 4/12/2020 to 4/25/2020	\$ 183.47
Michael Jennings	Wages 4/12/2020 to 4/25/2020	\$ 74.49
Richard Lange	Wages 4/12/2020 to 4/25/2020	\$ 36.07
Access Systems	Copier Leasing	\$ 413.09
Access Systems	It Services	\$ 514.37
Alliant Energy	WWTP	\$ 4,130.90
Alliant Energy	Streetlights	\$ 2,483.17
Alliant Energy	Water Department	\$ 89.73
Alliant Energy	Library	\$ 400.96
Alliant Energy	Park Pavilion	\$ 68.45
Alliant Energy	Water Department	\$ 3,854.96
Alliant Energy	City Hall	\$ 76.37
Alliant Energy	WWTP	\$ 2,722.00
Alliant Energy	Fire Department	\$ 173.30
Atkins Lumber	Fire Department	\$ 61.33
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Altorfer Inc	Water Generator Maintenance	\$ 1,823.00
Altorfer Inc	Wastewater Generator Maintenance	\$ 1,496.00

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Atkins Telephone	Fire Department	\$ 151.33
Atkins Telephone	Telephone Expense	\$ 494.66
Chem-Sult	Water Treatment	\$ 3,051.08
CRC Trenching Co	Hydro Vacuum Excavation	\$ 750.00
D P Properties	Library Cleaning	\$ 254.00
EFTPS	Federal Tax Deposit	\$ 1,912.80
G & H Electric	Worked on Well Motor	\$ 175.00
Gazette Communications	Publishing Expense	\$ 20.88
Gardner Media LLC	Office Supplies	\$ 69.09
Gardner Media LLC	Office Supplies	\$ 69.95
Grainger	Roads Shop Cleaner	\$ 61.45
Gazette Communications	Publishing Expense	\$ 30.79
IPERS	April Employee Pension	\$ 3,282.42
Hach Company	Water Treatment	\$ 397.47
Hach Company	Water Treatment	\$ 361.86
Julene Udell	Park Rental Refund	\$ 55.00
Kenway	Excavating for Well Casing	\$ 6,092.72
Menards	WWTP	\$ 13.98
Menards	Roads Department	\$ 119.00
Menards	Water and Roads Departments	\$ 48.14
Menards	Water Department	\$ 5.99
Menards	Roads Department	\$ 67.11
Midwest Computer Brokers, Inc	Cleaning out Shop	\$ 93.75
MidAmerican	WWTP	\$ 33.17
Poweshiek Water Association	WWTP Water	\$ 79.50
Star Equipment	Roads Department	\$ 12.49
Star Equipment	Roads Department	\$ 1,580.00
USA Bluebook	Water Department	\$ 81.84
Vessco, Inc	Water Department	\$ 938.95
Waste Management	Garbage Collection	\$ 11,509.13
Amber Bell	Health Insurance	\$ 377.47
Total		\$ 61,331.10
	Received	Distributed
General	\$ 235,647.23	\$ 23,199.30
Road Use Tax	\$ -	\$ 3,361.98
Employee Benefit	\$ 15,461.66	\$ 1,121.46
TIF	\$ 155,479.89	
Local Option Sales Tax	\$ -	\$ 1,039.00
Water	\$ 13,943.94	\$ 9,020.40
Sewer	\$ 31,448.57	\$ 11,264.18
Total	\$ 451,981.29	\$ 49,006.32

The Council held a discussion on pedestrians crossing 33rd Ave. Some items discussed were signage, speed limits, alternative routes, and traffic studies. Shepard made a motion to form a traffic committee to research information on addressing this intersection and other traffic related concerns. The motion was seconded by Spading. Ayes: Svejda, Rinderknecht, Spading, Robison, and Shepard. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Rinderknecht made a motion to approve using the King style of lighting in the new Stoneridge Addition. Svejda seconded the Motion. Ayes: Svejda, Rinderknecht, Spading, Robison, and Shepard. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Spading made a motion to approve the Notice of Public Hearing to be published. Rinderknecht seconded the motion. Ayes: Svejda, Rinderknecht, Spading, Robison, and Shepard. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried. The reason for the budget amendment is because the City of Atkins had to do extensive work on Well #2 that was not previously budgeted for.

The Council discussed the issue of burning in the City of Atkins. The Council discussed some on the pro and cons of allowing burning in the City. The Council did not vote on this subject. No action was taken.

Svejda made a motion to renew a lease with St. Stephens Lutheran Church. This lease allows the City to use the baseball field in return for the City paying for the Mowing of only the baseball field. Robison seconded the motion. Ayes: Svejda, Rinderknecht, Spading, Robison, and Shepard. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

The Council had a discussion on the City Solid Waste and Recycling contract with Waste Management. No action was taken, and no vote held for this item. The Council asked for a representative from Waste Management talk with the Council.

Svejda made a motion to approve to adopt Resolution #778 Street Maintenance 2020 Contract with LL Pelling for \$48,798.65. Spading seconded the motion. Ayes: Svejda, Rinderknecht, Spading, Robison, and Shepard. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Shepard made a motion to approve the purchase of a Signpost Driver Equipment for Public Works with a do not exceed amount of \$4,500.00. Spading seconded the motion. Ayes: Svejda, Rinderknecht, Spading, Robison, and Shepard. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

The Council discussed the City of Atkins City Administrator possible position and consider a part time City Administrator. No action was taken, and no vote held for this item.

Damon gave the Council an update on Public Works items.

The next Regular Council Meeting date for Monday, May 18th, 2020 at 7:00PM at Atkins City Hall, 480 3rd Ave, Atkins. The meeting on May 18th, 2020 will also have a Public Hearing to consider an Amendment to the FY2019-2020 City Budget. Due to the declared State of Emergency the Council meeting will be conducted using teleconference. The Next Meeting Agenda will include instructions to access the system.

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

City Clerk: Amber Bell

Mayor: Bruce Visser