

City Council
June 5, 2019
5:30 p.m.

The Atlantic City Council met in regular session in the Council Chambers at City Hall with Mayor Jones presiding. Council members present were: Jimerson, Somers, Hartkopf, Casady, Halder, and Brink. Absent: None. Also present was student representative Sarah Schorle.

Mayor Jones requested that Ordinance #984 be moved to follow recognition of the boys' golf team.

Motion by Hartkopf; second by Jimerson to approve the agenda as amended. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Casady; second by Brink to approve the consent agenda which included the following: Minutes of the May 15, 2019 City Council Meeting, Class E Liquor License with Sunday Sales for After 5 Somewhere; Class B Beer Permit with Outdoor Service for Atlantic Area Chamber of Commerce; Cigarette Permits for : Casey's General Stores at 911 SW 7th St., 1408 East 7th St., and 701 Poplar, Fareway, Fog Zone, Hy-Vee Food Stores, Hy-vee Wine & Spirits, Murphy USA, Olive Street Station, Olsen's BP, and Wal Mart Supercenter; and bills totaling \$95,923.04. All ayes. Motion carried.

Mayor Jones introduced Justin Sonntag, who was present to earn his merit badge for Eagle Scout rank.

Motion by Brink; second by Jimerson to appoint Pat McCurdy to the vacant Third Ward Council Seat. All ayes. Motion carried.

Mayor Jones administered the Oath of Office to Pat McCurdy.

Mayor Jones and the City Council recognized the Atlantic Boys' Golf Team for an outstanding season.

Motion by Somers; second by Mc Curdy to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 984 "AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES FO THE CITY OF ATLANTIC, IOWA BY ELIMINATING CHANGES MADE UNDER ORDINANCE 968 AND AMENDING SECTION 41.13 OF CHAPTER 41 ENTITLED 'FIREWORKS'." Following discussion, Somers and McCurdy rescinded their motion and second. Motion by Jimerson; second by Somers to amend the existing language in Ordinance No. 984 to July 3rd, 4th, and 5th as dates allowed for fireworks discharge. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Brink; second by Jimerson to approve the first reading as amended of Ordinance No. 984 "AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES FO THE CITY OF ATLANTIC, IOWA BY ELIMINATING CHANGES MADE UNDER ORDINANCE 968 AND AMENDING SECTION 41.13 OF CHAPTER 41 ENTITLED 'FIREWORKS'." Ayes: Brink, Jimerson, Somers, McCurdy, Hartkopf, Casady, Halder. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Hartkopf; second by Brink to approve the updated City Attorney retainer agreement with Otto, Lawrence & Wiederstein. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Brink; second by Jimerson to close 6th Street from Chestnut Street west to the east side of the alley between Chestnut and Poplar every Thursday evening from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. beginning June 6, 2019 and ending September 26, 2019 for Produce in the Park. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Jimerson; second by McCurdy to approve Resolution #26-19 “ACCEPTING THE WORK FOR THE 2018 STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT.” Ayes: Jimerson, Somers, McCurdy, Hartkopf, Casady, Halder, Brink. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Somers; second by McCurdy to approve Resolution #27-19 “APPOINTING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR AS THE OFFICIAL CITY OF ATLANTIC TITLE VI COMPLIANCE OFFICER.” Ayes: Somers, McCurdy, Hartkopf, Casady, Halder, Brink, Jimerson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Mayor and City Council reviewed the bids for the purchase of the Atlantic Senior Center.

Motion by Hartkopf; second by Jimerson to accept the bid from the Elks’ Lodge in the amount of \$55,445 for purchase of the Senior Center. Ayes: Jimerson, Somers, McCurdy, Hartkopf, Casady, Halder. Nays: Brink. Motion carried.

Motion by Brink; second by Halder to approve the second reading of Ordinance No. 983 “AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ATLANTIC, IOWA, BY ADDING NEW CHAPTER 168 ENTITLED ‘HUMAN HABITATION OF VEHICLES PROHIBITED.’” Ayes: Brink, Jimerson, Somers, McCurdy, Hartkopf, Casady, Halder. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Brink; second by Hartkopf to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 985 “AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ATLANTIC, IOWA, BY AMENDING SECTION 136.18 OF CHAPTER 136 ENTITLED ‘SIDEWALK REGULATIONS’.” Ayes: Brink, Jimerson, Somers, McCurdy, Hartkopf, Casady, Halder. Motion carried.

Motion by McCurdy; second by Hartkopf to appoint Doug Bierbaum to the Planning & Zoning Commission. All ayes. Motion carried.

City Administrator Lund reported:

- Spoke with John Danos regarding the Veteran’s Housing Incentive program; moving forward
- Code Enforcement and Park & Rec are working diligently to make the City look nice; weather has been hampering their efforts
- Need to jumpstart working on the FY2021 budget

Mayor Jones reported:

- City is NOT having a city-wide clean up this year; property owners need to clean up their properties including keeping grass mowed
- Looking for 10-14 people to form a Housing Task Force; would like 2 people from Council to serve. Brink and McCurdy volunteered.
- Reminded citizens to not mow grass into the street

City Council Reports:

Brink- Community Protection, Safety; Hartkopf – YMCA; Somers – Cass County Public Safety, Landfill, Personnel & Finance; Jimerson – Park & Rec, Fire

Student Representative Report: State golf; three students to High School Musical Theater awards; three students to National Speech & Debate; softball and baseball; dance recitals.

Council Member Casady reported that he had moved several signs in the right of way. He further mentioned that on a recent trip, he had noticed signs highlighting town activities at interstate exits.

Council Member Brink voiced concerns about recent statistics showing that Atlantic has had an 11% drop in population since the last census.

Mayor Jones reported that asphalt will be delivered in the near future and potholes will be getting fixed.

Motion by Jimerson; second by Halder to adjourn at 6:41 p.m. All ayes. Motion carried.

David Jones, Mayor

ATTEST: _____

Barb Barrick, City Clerk