City Council November 19, 2014 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, Hayes, Hartkopf, Stuart, Halder, and Cord. Absent: none.

Hartkopf moved, Jimerson seconded, to approve the agenda as posted. All in favor.

Jimerson moved, Hayes seconded, to approve the consent agenda which includes: minutes of the November 5, 2014 Council Meeting and Tax Abatement application for 1405 East 19th Street. All in favor.

Somers moved, Cord seconded, to approve a request from the Chamber of Commerce to close Chestnut Street between Sixth and Seventh Streets from 4:00 p.m., November 20, 2014 to 9:00 a.m., November 21, 2014 for the Annual Christmas Grand Lighting at the City Park. All in favor.

Somers moved, Hartkopf seconded, to approve Change Order #1 for \$3,900.00 for the 2014 Highway 6 Reconstruction Project. Passed on a 6-1 vote with Jimerson voting against.

Tim Teig of Snyder and Associates, Inc. briefly reviewed the 2015 Street Improvement Project, which is estimated to cost \$950,000.

Halder moved, Jimerson seconded, to approve an Engineering Contract with Snyder and Associates, Inc. for \$127,750.00 for the 2015 Street Improvement Project. All in favor.

Teig then reported on the 2015 Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project, which involves the relining of over 5,300 feet of sanitary sewer lines.

Jimerson moved, Hayes seconded, to approve an Engineering Contract with Snyder and Associates, Inc. for \$21,850.00 for the 2015 Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project. All in favor.

There was some discussion on amending the Personnel Policy to allow employees to voluntarily donate a portion of their accrued sick leave hours to assist other employees in need.

Council Member Somers said that she is in favor of the policy, but felt the policy could use some tweaking. But because Police Chief Steve Green said he has a new employee who could benefit from the policy immediately, it was agreed that it could be amended at a later time.

Jimerson moved, Hartkopf seconded, to adopt resolution #21-14 entitled, RESOLUTION AMENDING SERIES 400 OF THE CITY'S PERSONNEL "POLICY MANUAL." All in favor.

Somers moved, Jimerson seconded, to adopt resolution #22-14 entitled, "RESO-LUTION AUTHORIZING THE FOLLOWING INSTITUTIONS AS DEPOSITORIES FOR PUBLIC FUNDS FOR THE CITY OF ATLANTIC." All in favor.

City Clerk Deb Wheatley Field explained the Urban Renewal Report, which is required to be filed with the State before December 1.

Somers moved, Hayes seconded, to approve the FY14 Urban Renewal Report. All in favor.

City Administrator John Lund reported on a number of items including: update on the FY16 budget process, upcoming union negotiations, discussion with school officials regarding the traffic flow problem on East 14th Street, a recent Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting, and debris removal at Seventh & Linn Streets.

The Mayor noted that a public informational meeting will be held December 2, from 4:00-6:00 at the Iowa DOT District 4 Office, 2210 East Seventh Street, regarding the reconstruction of Highway 6 between Olive and Plum Streets.

Council Committee Reports were given as follows: Somers-Personnel & Finance and City Hall Task Force; Hayes-Parks and Recreation; Stuart-Community Promotion Commission, Halder-Library and Cass Atlantic Development; Cord-Chamber of Commerce; and Jimerson-Public Safety.

Jimerson moved, Hartkopf seconded, to approve the bills totaling \$171.703.40. All in favor.

Somers moved, Halder seconded, to approve the Clerk, Treasurer, Budget, General Ledger, Revenue, Airport, Volunteer Fire Department, and Storm Water Utility reports for October. All in favor.

Jimerson moved, Halder seconded, to adjourn at 6:14 p.m. All in favor.

David R. Jones Mayor

Attest: Deb Wheatley Field

City Clerk