

City Council
September 7, 2016
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, Casady, and Halder. Absent: none.

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

Jimerson moved, Hayes seconded, to appoint Gerald Brink to the vacant Council at Large seat. All in favor.

Brink was then given the oath of office by Mayor Jones and seated at the Council table.

Jimerson moved, Hayes seconded, to approve the consent agenda which included: minutes of the August 17, 2016 Council Meeting, a Tree Trimmer's Permit for Creative Landscaping, and a Class C Liquor License transfer for Rumors Lounge. All in favor.

Mayor Jones read proclamations for Constitution Week, Library Card Sign-Up Month and YMCA Appreciation Month.

Dave Sturm of Snyder and Associates, Inc. reported that the Connector Trail and Pedestrian Bridge Project has been completed and he recommended that it be accepted.

Jimerson moved, Hartkopf seconded, to adopt resolution #29-16 entitled, "**RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE WORK.**" All in favor.

Mayor Jones opened the public hearing as officially published regarding the plans, specifications, and form of contract for the Bull Creek Culvert Replacement Project." No written or oral objections were filed.

Jimerson moved, Halder seconded, to close the public hearing. All in favor.

Jimerson moved, Hayes seconded, to adopt resolution #30-16 entitled, "**RESOLUTION APPROVING PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND FORM OF CONTRACT.**" All in favor.

Dave Sturm of Snyder and Associates, Inc. then distributed the results of the bid opening for said project, which was held earlier in the day. He recommended that the lowest bid of \$163,000.32 from Crain Construction of Clarinda, Iowa be accepted.

Hayes moved, Hartkopf seconded, to adopt resolution #31-16 entitled, "**RESOLUTION MAKING AWARD OF CONTRACT.**" All in favor.

Jimerson moved, Hartkopf seconded, to close streets, as requested, for the Atlantic High School Homecoming Parade on September 9, 2016. All in favor.

Council Member Jimerson reported on the Community Protection Committee's recent meeting to discuss an issue of a resident owning a potbellied pig. Council approval is needed for the owner to keep the animal.

Jimerson moved, Somers seconded, to allow Chris and Darci Coatney to keep their potbellied pig.

The Coatneys addressed the Council as to why they should be able to keep the pig, while next door neighbor Rebecca Sponsler explained why she didn't want a pig living next door to her.

Considerable discussion was held with most of the Council Members acknowledging that a residential area is not the place for a pig.

The vote was taken and failed 1-6 with Somers, Hayes, Hartkopf, Casady, Halder and Brink voting against.

City Administrator John Lund reported on several items including: a meeting with the Fire Chief to prioritize the electrical work for the second floor of City Hall, update on the Zoning Ordinance, an issue with fallen trees not being removed by property owners, and an update on the street projects.

Council Committee reports were as follows: Hayes-Cass County Environmental Agency, Jimerson-Fire Department, and Hartkopf-Cable TV.

Hayes moved, Halder seconded, to approve the bills totaling \$471,334.25. All in favor.

Library Director Natalie Struecker reported a couple of items.

Jimerson moved, Halder seconded, to adjourn at 6:18 p.m. All in favor.

David R. Jones
Mayor

ATTEST: Deb Wheatley Field
City Clerk