

City Council
January 4, 2017
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, Casady, and Halder. Absent: Hartkopf and Brink.

Hayes moved, Halder seconded, to approve the agenda as posted. All in favor.

Jimerson moved, Halder seconded, to approve the consent agenda which included: minutes of the December 21, 2016 Council Meeting and a Tax Abatement Application for 1103 Southwest 7th Street. All in favor.

Mayor Jones administered the oath of office to newly appointed Police Chief David Erickson and newly hired Police Officer Cameron Ward.

Mayor Jones opened the public hearing as officially published regarding a proposed development agreement with Whitney Group LLC. Said agreement pertains to renovating the property at 222 Chestnut Street to include commercial business on the ground floor and residential living quarters on the remaining floors. No written comments were received. Pat McCurdy, Chairman of the Housing Committee for the Cass/Atlantic Development Corporation, spoke in favor of the agreement.

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

Casady moved, Halder seconded, to adopt resolution #2-17 entitled, **“RESOLUTION APPROVING THE URBAN RENEWAL JOINT AGREEMENT WITH CASS COUNTY REGARDING THE TAX INCREMENT FINANCING OF THE ELITE OCTANE, LLC ETHANOL PLANT PROJECT.”** All in favor.

Parks and Recreation Director Seth Staashelm addressed the Council regarding the Schildberg Campground Improvements Project estimated to cost \$637,998.75. In March of 2016, a Vision Iowa Grant Application was submitted to help fund the project and now the State is recommending that the application be resubmitted since the program has been changed to the Enhance Iowa Community Attraction and Tourist Grant Program.

Somers moved, Casady seconded, to adopt resolution #3-17 entitled, **“RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE USE OF CITY FUNDS FOR MATCHING FUNDS FOR ENHANCE IOWA COMMUNITY ATTRACTION & TOURISM GRANT.”** All in favor.

Mayor Jones read a proclamation declaring January 23-29, 2017 as National Drug & Alcohol Facts Week.

Somers moved, Jimerson seconded, to adopt resolution #4-2017 entitled, **“RESOLUTION SETTING THE SALARY FOR AN APPOINTED OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE OF THE CITY OF ATLANTIC, IOWA EFFECTIVE JANUARY 9, 2017.”** All in favor.

City Administrator John Lund reported on the following: FY18 budget preparation, Development Agreement with Whitney Group LLC, Personnel Policy, and the Zoning Ordinance update.

Mayor Jones thanked all those involved with the City's Christmas lighting and reminded residents to promptly shovel their sidewalks after a snow event.

Council Committee reports were as follows: Somers-Personnel & Finance.

Casady moved, Halder seconded, to approve the bills totaling \$79,375.57. All in favor.

Jimerson moved, Casady seconded, to adjourn at 6:00 p.m. All in favor.

David R. Jones
Mayor

ATTEST: Deb Wheatley Field
City Clerk