

City Council
May 17, 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, Hartkopf, Casady, Halder, and Brink. Absent: none.

Hayes moved, Halder seconded to approve the agenda as posted. All ayes. Motion carried.

Somers moved, Jimerson seconded to approve the consent agenda which included the following: minutes of the May 3, 2017 Council Meeting, Class C Liquor License for The Venue, Class E Liquor Permit for After Five Somewhere. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Somers; second by Brink to approve contract with See Click Fix. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Somers, second by Halder to set the date for the public hearing on June 3, 2017 to amend the FY2017 budget. All ayes. Motion carried.

Halder moved, Brink seconded to adopt Resolution #18-17 **AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING A LOAN AGREEMENT, PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF A \$360,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION EQUIPMENT ACQUISITION NOTE AND PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY OF TAXES TO PAY THE SAME.** Ayes: Halder, Brink, Jimerson, Somers, Hayes, Hartkopf, Casady. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Council Member Jimerson reported the Community Protection Committee's recommendation to allow chickens within the city limits. Discussion followed. Motion by Halder, second by Jimerson to not amend the current city ordinance to allow chickens in the city limits. Ayes: Halder, Brink, Jimerson, Somers, Hartkopf, Casady. Nays: Hayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Brink, second by Casady to deny exemption for Jillian Scarf to keep chickens. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Brink, second by Jimerson to approve first reading of Ordinance No. 967 **"AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ATLANTIC, IOWA, BY AMENDING SECTION 41.13 OF CHAPTER 90 ENTITLED 'FIREWORKS'."** Discussion followed regarding ignition days and hours, adding a buffer zone to schools, assisted care facilities, and hospitals, and insurance requirements. Motion by Jimerson, second by Somers to approve first reading as amended. Ayes: Jimerson, Somers, Hayes, Hartkopf, Casady, Halder, Brink. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Jimerson; second by Brink to suspend the rules and proceed with second reading. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Jimerson, second by Hartkopf to approve second reading of Ordinance No. 967,
Ayes: Jimerson, Somers, Hayes, Hartkopf, Casady, Halder, Brink. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Jimerson; second by Hartkopf to suspend the rules and proceed with the third and final reading of ordinance. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Jimerson; second by Brink to approve third and final reading of Ordinance No. 967,
Ayes: Jimerson, Somers, Hayes, Hartkopf, Casady, Halder, Brink. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Somers; second by Hayes to approve the contract with McCarthy Trenching, LLC for \$27,100 for the 2017 Storm Sewer Projects. Discussion of bid amounts followed. Ayes: Somers, Hartkopf, Brink. Nays: Hayes, Casady, Halder, Jimerson. Motion failed. Motion by Jimerson; second by Casady to approve contract with Stamp Construction for \$27,135 for the 2017 Storm Sewer Projects. Ayes: Jimerson, Hayes, Hartkopf, Casady, Halder, Brink. Nays: Somers. Motion carried.

Airport Director Barry Reid gave a presentation and update of activities at the airport.

City Administrator Lund reported on the following:

- Beautification Committee recommended the following priorities
 - Replace faded/vandalized damaged signage
 - Determine new city logo; update banners, wayfinding signs, light poles
 - New Entranceway sign at Olive/7th Street.
- Attended Labor Law Conference in Omaha with Council Member Somers and City Clerk Barrick
- Airport Commission approved the 5-year Capital Improvements Plan
- Worked with City Attorney Bosworth writing the fireworks ordinance
- Working on Standard & Poor's assessment to improve city's bond rating
- Worked with Council Member Jimerson to resolve issues at 107 East 8th Street
- Participating in City Wide Clean Up Days meetings
- Advising employees of new health insurance policy to go into effect July 1st

Mayor Jones announced that City Wide Clean Up Days will be held June 7th/8th/9th. Items should be on the curb early in the morning. The city will not pick up TV's, computers, or household trash. He suggested that citizens extend an olive branch to their neighbors and ask if they need help cleaning up.

Mayor Jones also reminded citizens to keep their grass mowed; it is easier to hire someone to cut the grass than to have the city do it.

Council Committee reports were as follows:

Hayes – Community Protection

Hartkopf - Airport

Casady-CPC

Halder – Library, CADCO

Brink – AMU, Chamber, Community Protection

Jimerson – Community Protection, Cass County Public Safety

Casady moved, Brink seconded to approve the bills totaling \$100,998.57. Ayes: Casady, Halder, Brink, Jimerson, Hayes, Hartkopf. Nays: None. Abstain: Somers. Motion carried.

Motion by Jimerson; second by Hart to approve the financial reports for April. All ayes.

Roger Carter asked the Council to consider changing the Handicap Entrance sign on City Hall's back door to "Accessible Entrance."

Steve Brunin advised the council that he feels he is a local business owner, not a transient merchant, and feels that the \$750 fee he was charged was unfair. He asked the council to consider re-writing the ordinance. Mayor Jones asked the Personnel and Finance Committee to discuss the issue at its next meeting.

Library Director Natalie Struecker gave an update of library activities.

City Clerk Barrick announced that the Sesquicentennial slogan is "Yesterday – Today – Tomorrow; Celebrate 150 Atlantic". Suggestions for the logo would be taken until May 31st.

Motion by Jimerson; second by Halder to adjourn at 6:53 p.m. All ayes. Motion carried.

David Jones, Mayor

ATTEST: _____

Barb Barrick
City Clerk