

City Council
December 20, 2017
5:30 p.m.

The Atlantic City Council met in regular session in the Council Chambers at City Hall with Mayor Pro Tem Somers presiding. Council Members present were: Jimerson, Somers, Hartkopf, Casady, Halder, and Brink. Absent: Hayes.

Motion by Hartkopf; second by Halder to approve the agenda as posted. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Jimerson; second by Hartkopf to approve the consent agenda which included the following: minutes of the December 6, 2017 Council Meeting; Garbage Hauler Permit for Green RU, LLC. All ayes. Motion carried.

Atlantic High School Cross Country State Qualifiers were recognized for their accomplishments this fall.

Council discussed with Dave Sturm of Snyder & Associates details of the engineering agreement for the Community Beautification Project.

Motion by Halder; second by Brink to not approve engineering agreement with Snyder & Associates for the Community Beautification Project. Following discussion, Halder rescinded his motion. Approval died for lack of motion.

Motion by Brink; second by Hartkopf to award contract to Howrey Construction for \$98,350.50 for the AMU Wellfield Trail Head Project. Ayes: Somers, Hartkopf, Halder, Brink. Nays: Jimerson, Casady. Motion carried.

At 5:45 p.m., Mayor Pro Tem Somers opened the public hearing for the Amendment and Extension of the Urban Revitalization Plan. No comments were received. Motion by Jimerson; second by Halder to close the public hearing at 5:46 p.m.

Motion by Jimerson; second by Hartkopf to approve Resolution #39-17 "APPROVING THE AMENDMENT AND EXTENSION OF THE URBAN REVITALIZATION PLAN." Ayes: Jimerson, Somers, Hartkopf, Casady, Halder, Brink. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Jimerson; second by Halder to approve second reading of Ordinance 971 "AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE CITY OF ATLANTIC, IOWA BY AMENDING SECTION 69.08 OF CHAPTER 69 ENTITLED 'NO PARKING ZONES'." Ayes: Jimerson, Somers, Hartkopf, Casady, Halder, Brink. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Council Member Halder introduced Michelle Andersen, Library Director, and publicly thanked Pat McCurdy for providing interim housing.

Sturm discussed issues with the proposed Palm Street turnaround. Consensus of the council was to continue with project and discuss easements with property owners on the west and south sides.

Mayor Jones was present at 6:02 p.m.

City Clerk Barrick administered the Oath of Office to Mayor Jones.

Mayor Jones administered the Oath of Office to Council Members Somers, Casady, and Brink.

City Administrator Lund reported:

- City Hall had been quiet
- Valuations came in – city showed weak growth; however he saw no need for adjusting tax levies and felt that long-term, the city should be fine
- Gave a preview of projects for 2018:
 - Storm water fees/Bull Creek
 - Sidewalk program
 - Personnel policy changes
 - Rental Inspection Ordinance
 - Continue to progress with comp plan
 - Infill Housing Opportunity
- City Hall lock situation needs further discussion
- John Danos willing to facilitate landfill fees meeting with cities/county

Mayor Jones reported that winter weather is coming and please travel safely. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Council Committee reports were as follows:

Jimerson/Somers – Cass County Public Safety

Hartkopf – Boost for Families

Halder- Library

Brink- Chamber, AMU

Motion by Casady; second by Halder to approve the bills totaling \$53,376.83. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Somers; second by Jimerson to approve November financial reports. All ayes. Motion carried.

Mayor Jones announced that he would be revising committees and to let him know of any requested changes.

Motion by Jimerson; second by Halder to adjourn at 6:25 p.m. All ayes. Motion carried.

David Jones, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Barb Barrick
City Clerk