

City Council
August 21, 2019
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, McCurdy, Hartkopf, Casady, Halder, and Brink. Absent: None.

Mayor Pro Tem Somers requested to amend the agenda by adding a request from the Police Department to close streets on August 25th for the First Responders Family Night Out.

Motion by Hartkopf; second by McCurdy to approve the agenda as amended. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Casady; second by Hartkopf to approve the consent agenda which included the following: Minutes of the August 7, 2019 City Council Meeting, Special Class C Beer Permit with Sunday Sales for Heritage House; Class C Liquor License with Outdoor Service & Sunday Sales for Fireside Lounge; Class E Liquor License with Sunday Sales, Carryout Beer & Carryout Wine for Hy-Vee Wine & Spirits; Tree Trimmer Permit for Dimig Handyman Service; July Financial Reports; and bills totaling \$136,881.10. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Jimerson; second by Brink to approve the closure selected streets during the afternoon of October 11, 2019 for the Atlantic Community School District Homecoming parade. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Brink; second by Jimerson to close the 600 block of Chestnut Street and the 10 Block of West 6th Street from 3:15 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. for the First Responders Family Night Out on August 25th. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by McCurdy; second by Jimerson to approve Resolution #35-19 "APPROVING THE VETERAN'S NEW HOUSING FORGIVABLE LOAN PROGRAM POLICY." Discussion followed regarding amending the policy to allow for two of the six loans to be granted to current Atlantic residents. McCurdy rescinded his motion and Jimerson rescinded his second. Motion by Hartkopf; second by McCurdy to amend the policy to allow for two loans to be granted to current Atlantic residents. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion McCurdy; second by Hartkopf to approve Resolution #35-19 "APPROVING THE VETERAN'S NEW HOUSING FORGIVABLE LOAN PROGRAM POLICY." Ayes: McCurdy, Hartkopf, Casady, Halder, Brink, Jimerson, Somers. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Brink; second by Halder to approve Resolution #36-19 "AMENDING THE CITY FINANCIAL POLICY TO ADD SECTION 204 FEDERAL PROCUREMENT POLICY." Ayes: Brink, Jimerson, Somers, McCurdy, Hartkopf, Casady, Halder. Nays: None. Motion carried.

City Administrator Lund reported:

- More progress on ideas for housing rehab and economic development will be discussed at Community Development meeting following first council meeting in September.
- Park Board hired Bryant Rasmussen as Park Director; Personnel & Finance will need to review the proposed salary as well as a request for shared Clerk services from the City of Marne. Meeting set for Wednesday, August 28th at 5:30.
- Local Option Sales Tax estimates for FY20 were received and they are very close to what was predicted; therefore the conservative budget adopted will remain in place; he will be working on a report for the Council.

Mayor Pro Tem Somers reported that she, Administrator Lund, and Administrative Assistant Martin had met with Five Q regarding the new city logo. Starting concepts had been presented, and were well received.

City Council Reports: McCurdy- Park and Rec; Hartkopf- Airport; Halder- Library; Brink – Chamber, Safety, Planning & Zoning, AMU.

Council Member Casady thanked the Atlantic Fest Committee for a job well done. He also mentioned the Council Bluffs splash pad.

Council Member McCurdy advised that there are currently three new houses under construction in Atlantic; with two more that will be starting soon.

Council Member Hartkopf related that a citizen had let her know that he was very pleased with the Palm Street improvements.

Council Member Halder reported that he had received many positive comments about RAGBRAI and AtlanticFest. He thanked the sponsors of both events as well as the local businesses that chose to stay open during the events.

Council Member Jimerson addressed the rumors about Scooter's Coffee. The city does not pick and choose which businesses come to town; they encourage all businesses. The issue is with the traffic and is in the hands of the DOT, not the city.

Grace Garrett thanked Council Member Jimerson for clarifying the Scooter's issues and addressing the rumors.

Motion by Jimerson; second by McCurdy to adjourn at 6:03 p.m. All ayes. Motion carried.

Kathy Somers, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST: _____

Barb Barrick, City Clerk

