

City Council
July 1, 2020
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: Somers, McCurdy, Casady, Garrett, and Brink. Absent: Behrens and Hartkopf, who joined the meeting later.

Mayor Jones requested the following amendments to the agenda: Recognition of Chris Dvorak and Swearing in of Sergeant Ward. Motion by Casady; second by McCurdy to approve agenda as amended. All ayes. Motion carried.

Council recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Casady; second by Brink to approve the consent agenda which included the following: Minutes of the June 17, 2020 City Council meeting; and bills totaling \$725,723.84. All ayes. Motion carried.

Council recognized Christa Wiskus for 20 years of service to the Atlantic Public Library.

Council recognized Chris Dvork for 30 years of service to the Atlantic Police Department.

Police Chief Erickson announced the promotion of Officer Cameron Ward to the rank of Sergeant. Mayor Jones swore in Sergeant Ward, and Sergeant Ward's father, Officer Tony Ward of the Omaha Police Department, pinned on Ward's badge.

Motion by Brink; second by McCurdy to remove tabled item (Fireside request) request from prior agenda. All ayes. Motion carried. Mark Foegen was present to answer council's questions. Motion by McCurdy second by Casady to approve Fireside request to close alley behind Fireside Lounge to 7th Street for a street dance on July 11, 2020 from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Somers; second by Garrett to approve the third reading of Ordinance #989 "AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ATLANTIC, IOWA, BY AMENDING SECTION 55.11 THEREIN." Ayes: Somers, McCurdy, Casady, Garrett, and Brink. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by McCurdy; second by Brink to approve the second reading of Ordinance #990 "AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ATLANTIC, IOWA, BY AMENDING MINORS, SECTION 46.02 OF THE CITY CODE." Ayes: McCurdy, Casady, Garrett, Brink, Somers. Nays: None. Motion carried

Motion by Brink; second by Garrett to approve the second reading of Ordinance #991 "PROVIDING FOR THE DIVISION OF TAXES LEVIED ON TAXABLE PROPERTY IN THE JUNE 2020 ADDITION TO THE NORTH URBAN RENEWAL DISTRICT, PURSUANT

TO SECTION 403.19 OF THE CODE OF IOWA.” Ayes: Brink, Somers, Casady, Garrett.
Nays: None. Abstain: McCurdy. Motion carried.

At 5:40 p.m., Mayor Jones called for a recess due to technical difficulties. Meeting reconvened at 5:53 p.m.

Motion by McCurdy; second by Brink to approve the first reading of Ordinance #993
“AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 125, LICENSING OF TREE TRIMMERS.” Ayes: McCurdy, Casady, Garrett, Brink, Somers. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Council Member Linda Hartkopf joined the meeting electronically at 5:55 p.m.

Motion by Garrett; second by Hartkopf to approve the first reading of Ordinance #994
“AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 122 ‘PEDDLERS, SOLICITORS AND TRANSIENT MERCHANTS.’” Ayes: Garrett, Brink, Somers, McCurdy, Hartkopf, Casady. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Brink; second by Casady to approve the first reading of Ordinance #995
“ADOPTING CHAPTER 129 TO THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, ‘DOING BUSINESS WITH THE CITY.’” Ayes: Brink, Somers, McCurdy, Hartkopf, Casady, Garrett. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by McCurdy; second by Hartkopf to approve the first reading of Ordinance #996
“AMENDING SECTION 69.10 ENTITLED ‘TRUCK AND LARGE VEHICLE PARKING’.” Ayes: McCurdy, Hartkopf, Casady, Garrett, Brink, Somers. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Casady; second by McCurdy to approve supplemental engineering agreement with Snyder & Associates for the 2020 AGCC/Palm Street drainage review. All ayes. Motion carried.

At 6:03 p.m., Mayor Jones opened the public hearing on a Development agreement with the Whitney Group LLC, authorizing annual appropriation tax increment payments and pledging certain tax increment revenues to the payment of the agreement. No comments were received. Motion by Brink; second by Garrett to close the public hearing at 6:04 p.m. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Somers; second by Hartkopf to approve Resolution #34-20 “APPROVING DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WITH WHITNEY GROUP LLC , AUTHORIZING ANNUAL APPROPRIATION TAX INCREMENT PAYMENTS AND PLEDGINING CERTAIN TAX INCREMENT REVENUES TO THE PAYMENT OF THE AGREEMENT.” Ayes: Somers, Hartkopf, Casady, Garrett, Brink. Nays: None. Abstain: McCurdy. Motion carried.

Motion by Brink; second by Garrett to re-appoint Alexis Fleener to the Community Promotion Commission. All ayes. Motion carried.

City Administrator Lund reported: FY2020 is complete and he is beginning to review the actual figures; will begin working on the FY2022 budget soon; Road Use Tax received in June was 42.8% lower than funds received in June 2019; looking closely at the Storm Water utility; Planning and Zoning is reviewing ordinances as well as three new site plans.

Mayor Jones asked Lund to look into seeing if the State would release how much Local Option Sales Tax was from internet sales.

Mayor Jones reminded everyone about the fireworks to be held July 3rd and stressed that viewers needed to clean up after themselves so that the fireworks show will not be put in jeopardy. He also reminded those discharging fireworks to be courteous to their neighbors. Mayor Jones also commended the retiring unsung hero that has been providing treats to the Police Department on a regular basis.

City Council Reports: Garrett- Safety; Somers – Cass County Public Safety; McCurdy – CADCO Site & New Business; Hartkopf – YMCA.

Council Member Casady praised the newsletter received from the Airport, noting that the Drag Races were still being held, and that air traffic was increasing.

Motion by Hartkopf; second by McCurdy to adjourn at 6:23 p.m. All ayes. Motion carried.

David R. Jones, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Barb Barrick, City Clerk