

City Council
February 17, 2021
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: Behrens, Somers, McCurdy, Hartkopf, (via phone), Casady, Garrett, and Brink. Absent: None.

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

Council recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Casady; second by Brink to approve the consent agenda as follows: Minutes of the February 3, 2021 City Council meeting; Class B Beer Permit with Sunday Sales & Change of Ownership for Dollar General; and bills totaling \$57,505.87. All ayes. Motion carried.

At 5:31p.m., Mayor Jones opened the public hearing for amending the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Atlantic, Iowa, by Changing Certain Real Property from C-1 (Highway Commercial) to I-1 (Light Industrial) and Changing the Official Zoning Map to Reflect this Change. No comments were received by the Clerk's office. Rick Mendenhall was present to discuss how the rezoning would affect his business. Motion by Brink; second by McCurdy to close the public hearing at 5:34 p.m. All ayes. Motion carried.

Brink made the motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance #1006 "AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ATLANTIC, IOWA, BY CHANGING CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY FROM C-1 (HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL) TO I-1 (LIGHT INDUSTRIAL) AND CHANGING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP TO REFLECT THIS CHANGE", then rescinded his motion. Ordinance #1006 died for lack of a motion.

Motion by McCurdy; second by Behrens to approve Resolution #05-21 "TO FIX A DATE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR FY 2022 MAXIMUM PROPERTY TAX DOLLARS FOR CERTAIN LEVIES." Ayes: McCurdy, Hartkopf, Casady, Garrett, Brink, Behrens, Somers. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Casady; second by Garrett to approve Resolution #06-21 "SETTING THE DATE FOR PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSAL TO ENTER INTO GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING LOAN AGREEMENT AND TO BORROW MONEY THEREUNDER." Ayes: Casady, Garrett, Brink, Behrens, Somers, McCurdy, Hartkopf. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Casady; second by Hartkopf to approve Resolution #07-21 "SETTTING THE DATE FOR PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSAL TO ENTER INTO GENERAL OBLIGATION SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT LOAN AGREEMENT AND TO BORROW MONEY THEREUNDER IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$90,000." Ayes: Casady, Garrett, Brink, Behrens, Somers, McCurdy, Hartkopf. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Somers; second by Garrett to approve Change Order #6 for the Atlantic Downtown Revitalization Project. All ayes. Motion carried.

City Administrator Lund presented the FY22 Budget and timeline for approval. Highlights include long-term numbers are looking better than before; animal shelter addition is included in budget; some items were not included because priorities need to be set; significant levy drop projected in 10 years; sewer rates need to increase; need to make decisions for storm water utility fund.

Mayor Jones advised that he had met in person with State Representative Tom Moore to discuss housing; attended League of Cities Board meeting and Mayor's meeting in which he spoke with US Representative Cindy Axne regarding infrastructure. He also advised that redistricting is due in September, however, Census figures will not be released until October, therefore he believes that the redistricting will be delayed. Mayor Jones also addressed the issue of a letter from a resident requesting that the city pay the invoice for a sewer clean out; he stated that the city will not be paying the bill. Mayor Jones announced that snow has stopped for the time being, but residents need to keep their walks shoveled following snow events; they also need to move their cars off the street during snow removal operations. He requested that the Clerk's office send out reminders to those that have downtown parking permits to remember to move their cars during snow removal operations and to continue to send reminders each fall.

City Council Reports: Brink – CADCO, Park & Rec; Garrett- Chamber, Planning & Zoning; Casady- CPC, Library, AMU; Hartkopf – Airport.

Council Member Casady gave kudos to the YMCA for their after-school programs, noting that he was amazed at the number of children using the facility after school.

Council Member Behrens asked about the Fire Department snow removal issue and was told that Street Superintendent Knudsen and Fire Chief Cappel had it worked out.

Motion by Behrens; second by McCurdy to adjourn at 6:29 p.m. All ayes. Motion carried.

David R. Jones, Mayor

ATTEST: _____

Barb Barrick, City Clerk