

September 11, 2007

The Afton City Council met in regular session at 6:33 PM September 11, 2007. Mayor Michelle Burger presided with Council members Cindy Williams, Dave Cunningham, Ann Tunnickliff, Sherry Parrott, and Jeff Burger present.

Tunnickliff moved to approve the agenda and Parrott seconded the motion. With Roll call votes of all ayes, the motion carried. Tunnickliff moved to approve the consent agenda which consisted of the minutes of August 7, 2007 meeting, the report of the City Clerk/Treasurer, Joy Group, Director of Afton Housing, Afton Police Chief, and the following bills. Williams seconded the motion. With roll call votes of all ayes, the motion carried.

Employees	Gen/RU/Sr/Elec-Payroll	3,658.88
Employee Benefit Sys.	T&A/Elec-Self Fund Adm	28.00
Hahn Roofing	Mtr Dep-Refund after Final	88.23
Intl Union	T&A-Union Dues	63.50
IA Telecom	Gen-Phone & Internet	259.52
Midwest Radar	Gen-Calibrate Radar Gun	25.00
Nishna Valley Credit	T&A-Payroll W/H	200.00
Postmaster	Elec-Stamps	205.00
SW IA REC	Rec/Sr-Electricity	127.22
Utility Fund	Mtr Dep-four Final Bills	420.91
Walmart	Gen-Office/Park Supplies	49.54
Wellmark BC/BS	T&A/Elec/Gen-Health Ins	3,196.25
Employees	Gen/RU/Sr/Elec-Payroll	3,572.77
941 Payment	Gen/RU/Sr/Elec-Payroll Taxes	2,834.02
IPERS	Gen/RU/Sr/Elec-Retirement	1,146.38
Treas. St. of IA	Gen/RU/Sr/Elec-Payroll Taxes	471.12
Jack Rusk	Elec-AC Rebate	200.00
Janice Sutton	Elec-AC Rebate	200.00
Richard Stream	Sr-Mileage Reimb.	143.56
US Life Ins Co	T&A-Life Ins.	312.90
Utility Fund	Mtr Dep-Dunkerson Final Bill	34.00
Afton Star Enterprise	Gen/Rec-Publications & Ads	160.89
Casey's Gen Store	Gen/RU-Gas & Supplies	168.55
Cat Service	Gen-Repairs to Maintainer	260.00
Countryside Products	Gen-Propane for Cemetery	458.85
Creston Tire Svc.	RU-Tires for Plow Truck	936.83
DSW	Sr-Chemicals	821.03
Farmers Coop	Gen/RU-Gas & Supplies	437.61
G&G Asphalt Co.	RU-Street Repairs	41,382.00
Green Valley AEA	Gen/Elec-Paper	30.00
Hopkins Sporting	Rec-Football Supplies	237.74
Hydro Klean	Sr-Repairs to Sewer Machine	1,506.39
Iowa Utilities Board	Elec-08 1 st Qtr Assessment	107.00
James Law Office	Gen-Legal Fees	1,618.70
Kum & Go	Gen-Partial Refund/Beer License	75.00
Lois Hardisty	Elec-AC Rebate	200.00
MidAmerican Energy	Sr-Gas for Shop	10.00
Mikes Services	Gen-Mowing Trail & Rec	625.00
RPGI	Elec-Purchase Electricity	61,405.95
Secretary of State	Gen-Renew Notary Public	30.00

Teledyne Isco, Inc.	Sr-Flow Mtr + 2 Solar Panels	5,158.26
Terrinda McIntire	Gen-Cemetery Contract	2,350.00
Treas. St. of IA	Sr/Elec-Sales Tax	2,237.67
Ziegler Inc.	RU-Parts for Maintainer	125.39
Mayor	Gen-Qtrly Payroll	461.75
Employees	Gen/RU/Sr/Elec-Payroll	3,509.28
Barb Wittstock	Rec-Concession/Gate Money	300.00
Barker Implement	RU-Mower Repairs	191.54
Brown Power & Control	Elec-Labor & Parts	8,917.79
Employee Benefit Systems	T&A/Sr-Self Fund Adm	28.00
IMFOA	Gen-Fall Conference	75.00
Intl Union	T&A-Union Dues	63.50
Iowa Telecom	Gen-Phone & Internet	259.10
Nishna Valley Credit	T&A-Payroll W/H	200.00
Quill	Gen/Sr/Elec-Envelopes	239.97
Ripperger Auto Repair	RU/Sr-Batteries for Tractor	213.89
US Postal Svc	Gen/Sr/Elec-Stamped Envelopes	468.60
Waste Management	Gen-Garbage Fees & Stickers	<u>3,764.99</u>
	TOTAL \$	156,273.07

General Fund	\$ 11,054.72	Employee Benefit	\$ 7,168.22
Road Use	43,161.18	Recreation Fund	679.96
Sewer Fund	8,125.78	Electric Fund	74,337.39
Meter Deposit	543.14	Payroll	<u>11,202.68</u>
		TOTAL	\$ 156,273.07

RECEIPTS:

General	\$ 6,461.74	Road Use	\$ 6,713.81
LOST	7,137.69	Walking Trail	1,000.00
Recreation	1,190.00	Sewer	10,983.81
Sewer Sinking	2,739.75	Electric	<u>54,869.02</u>
Meter Deposit	263.73	TOTAL	\$ 91,359.55

PUBLIC FORUM: No comments from the audience

RESOLUTIONS/ORDINANCES:

Parrott moved to place Ordinance #176 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF AFTON, IOWA, 1998, BY AMENDING THE COMPENSATION OF THE COUNCIL MEMBERS on its first reading. Williams seconded the motion. Roll call votes of ayes: Cunningham, Parrott, Williams, and Burger and Nay vote from Tunnickliff. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Council discussed nuisance properties at 308 S. Grant & 607 E. Kansas. The legal paperwork is in progress and once waiting period is over the city can clean up both houses. Council wants to look into which method (burning or demolishing and hauling away debris) will cost less. If we have the fire department burn the houses, they will have to be tested for asbestos and asbestos removed by someone certified. The City Clerk will check into costs.

Burger has lined up three individuals that are willing to volunteer to shingle the park shelter and restroom. Cunningham will let the City Maintenance employee know when they are ready to shingle so the supplies can be purchased.

Council discussed replacing arrow sign with new modern sign and adding a new sign at the South entrance into Afton on Hwy 169. Williams and Tunnicliff were the only ones that received comments from the ad that ran for two weeks regarding this project. They both received two comments one for and one against the project. Parrott moved to take down the arrow sign and replace with the new sign. Tunnicliff seconded the motion. Roll call votes of ayes from Burger, Williams, Parrott, and Tunnicliff. Nay vote from Cunningham. Motion carried. The City Clerk was instructed to contact the DOT to get approval since the sign is on the State right-of-way.

Casey's General Store had been contacted regarding the truck traffic damage to Iowa Street. Casey's proposal was to pay for half of asphalt repairs or \$10,000 toward concrete repair. The City feels the concrete repair is a more permanent solution and J. Burger will contact Casey's to discuss the amount further.

Burger & Cunningham will look into prices on snow blowers and report back at the next meeting. The Council feels it is more cost effect to remove the snow on the highway bridge and park sidewalk as to contracting this work out.

The City received notice from the DNR that we have been awarded up to \$14,042 in a Water Recreation Public Access Cost-Share Grant. The grant will cover 75% of the cost to install a concrete boat ramp at the Afton Lake. Klos Concrete helped with the application process. The Council all agreed to give Klos the project if he is interested and his concrete estimates has not expired.

NEW BUSINESS:

Parrott moved to appoint Chris Eslinger and Carol Eckels and reappoint Barb Wittstock to the Recreation Board. Cunningham seconded the motion. Roll call votes of all ayes. Motion Carried. Wittstock and Eslinger terms will expire 9/01/10 and Eckels on 9/01/09.

Williams moved to reappoint Dwayne Cannon to a five year term on the Board of Adjustments. Parrott seconded the motion. Roll call votes of all ayes. Motion carried.

Parrott moved to approve the 2006-2007 Annual Report. Williams seconded the motion. Roll call votes of all ayes. Motion carried.

The Council reviewed two quotes of \$2,675 and \$2,480 for a sander for the snow plow truck from Trans-Iowa Equipment. The Council feels it is time to replace the entire snow plow truck. Parrott moved to continue looking for a used Snow Plow Truck with a limit of \$20,000. Williams seconded the motion. Roll call votes of all ayes. Motion carried.

Parrott moved to purchase a 4-channel Motorola radio from Electronics Engineering for \$950.00. Williams seconded the motion. Roll call votes of all ayes. Motion carried.

Parrott moved to approve the City Clerk to attend the Fall IMFOA Conference in Des Moines on October 17-18. Williams seconded the motion. Roll call votes of all ayes. Motion carried.

Tunnicliff moved to adjourn and Williams seconded. Roll call votes of all ayes and the Council adjourned at 7:15 PM.

ATTEST: _____
Toni Landers, City Clerk

Michelle Burger, Mayor