# January 7, 2020

The Afton City Council met in regular scheduled session at 6:30 PM January 7, 2020. Mayor Burger presided with Council members Dave Cunningham, Jeff Burger, Mary Hill, Sherry Parrott (via conference call), and Steve Kinyon present.

Hill moved to approve the agenda and Parrott seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried. Cunningham moved to approve the consent agenda which consisted of the minutes of December 10, 2019 meeting, report of the City Clerk/Treasurer, Afton Police Department and the following bills. Burger seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Employees	Gen/RU/Sr/Elec-Payroll	4,188.67
Mayor Payroll	Gen-4 <sup>th</sup> Qtr Payroll	461.49
Tenure Pay	Gen/RU/Sr/Elec-Annual Tenure	107.54
Afton Development Corp.	Gen-Return of Donated Funds	7,956.76
Madison National Life Ins.	RU/EB/Sr/Elec-Life Ins. Premiums	44.60
MidAmerican Energy	Gen/Sr-Gas	136.73
Wellmark BC/BS	EB/RU/Sr/Elec-Jan Health Ins.	1,138.64
Wilson, Hanson & Assoc.	Gen-Legal Fees	487.80
Windstream	Gen-Phone/Internet	302.53
Creative Ink & Design	Rec-Basketball T-Shirts	1,088.73
Employees	Gen/RU/Sr/Elec-Payroll	4,197.15
941 Payment	Gen/RU/Sr/Elec-Dec. Payroll Taxes	2,878.14
IPERS	Gen/RU/Sr/Elec-Dec. Retirement	1,860.05
Treasurer, State of Iowa	Gen/RU/Sr/Elec-Dec. Payroll W/H	499.80
Afton Star	Gen-Publication	190.09
Akin Building Center	Gen-Picnic Table Lumber/Bolts	56.35
Bedford Junior Class	Rec-Basketball Tournament Entry	120.00
Bomgaars	Sr-Shop Supplies	24.99
IAMU	Elec-Winter Energizers	142.80
Iowa One Call	Sr/Elec-Locates	5.40
Office Machines	Gen/Sr/Elec-Office Supplies	97.88
OmniSite	Sr-Annual Wireless & Monitoring	882.00
RPGI	Elec-Purchase Electricity	35,709.03
SIRWA	Gen-Water	39.00
Southwest Iowa REC	Elec-Install Street Light/Test Oil	628.38
State hygienic Lab	Sr-Lagoon Sample Tests	56.50
T&S Industries	Sr-Ship Lagoon Samples to Lab	15.31
Terrinda McIntire	Gen-January Cemetery Contract	3,415.83
Treasurer State of Iowa	Sr/Elec-Sales Tax	1,932.98
Union County Auditor	Gen-Election Fees	591.62
Verizon Wireless	Gen-Police Internet	40.01
Walmart	Gen/Sr/Elec-Office Supplies	30.74
Card Services	Gen/Sr/Elec-Stamped Envelopes	1,551.65
Casey's Business MC	Gen-Gas	181.22
Cynthia Axne Office Supply	Gen-US Flags	53.40

Jim's Sanitation	Gen-C	Garbage/Recycling		5,155.87
MMIT	Gen/S	Gen/Sr/Elec-Copier Contract		37.71
Premier Printer Supplie	es Gen/S	•		89.95
United Farmers Coop	RU/S1	:-Gas		174.99
Petty Cash	Rec-C	Concession/Gates Start		550.00
·		TOTA	L	\$ 77,122.33
General Fund \$	5 19,171.54	Road Use		188.04
Employee Benefit	5,917.45	Recreation		1,758.73
Sewer Fund	1,828.84	Electric Fund		39,302.88
Payroll	8,954.85	TOTAL	\$	77,122.33
RECEIPTS:				
General \$	21,247.49	Road Use	\$	6,696.67
Employee Benefit	2,190.50	Emergency		373.42
LOST	18,675.76	Tyler Cemetery		258.20
Huss Cemetery	83.92	Recreation		53.00
Perpetual Care	.27	Sewer		9,134.64
Sewer Sinking	3,179.76	Sewer Improvement		61.17
Sewer Reserve	103.77	Electric		70,698.51
Electric Sinking Fund	13,722.00	Meter Deposit		361.97
Sick Leave	16.45	TOTAL	\$	146,857.50

**PUBLIC FORUM:** Clerk Landers distributed the 2019 Walkability Assessment Report from Wellmark Healthy Hometown group and mentioned there were lots of good ideas in the report. Robert Greenway of DeSoto, Iowa addressed the Council regarding possibilities he had in mind for the vacated Afton Care Center. He had mentioned not having funds and needing TIF incentives when Clerk Landers informed him the building was not located inside Afton City Limits.

## **ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING:**

Hill moved to approve Resolution 2020-01 RESOLUTION SETTING THE TIME AND PLACE OF THE REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE AFTON CITY COUNCIL FOR THE YEAR 2020 and Burger seconded the motion. Roll call votes of ayes: Parrott, Cunningham, Kinyon, Burger and Hill. Motion carried.

Hill moved to approve Resolution 2020-02 RESOLUTION TO DETERMINE DATE OF PAYMENT FOR THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AFTON, IA and Cunningham seconded the motion. Roll call votes of ayes: Burger, Kinyon, Hill, Parrott and Cunningham. Motion carried.

Hill moved to approve Resolution 2020-03 RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING COMPENSATION FOR THE COUNCIL MEMBERS WHEN ATTENDING CERTAIN MEETINGS AS A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE AFTON CITY COUNCIL and Burger

seconded the motion. Roll call votes of ayes: Hill, Cunningham, Parrott, Burger and Kinyon. Motion carried.

Hill moved to approve Resolution 2020-04 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE NUMBER, DUTIES AND COMPENSATION OF THE EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF AFTON, IA and Burger seconded the motion. Roll call votes of ayes: Parrott, Kinyon, Burger, Cunningham and Hill. Motion carried.

Hill moved to approve Resolution 2020-05 RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR SURETY BOND/BLANKET POSITION BOND and Burger seconded the motion. Roll call votes of ayes: Hill, Kinyon, Cunningham, Parrott and Burger. Motion carried.

Hill moved to approve Resolution 2020-06 RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING CITY ATTORNEY FEES and Burger seconded the motion. Roll call votes of ayes: Parrott, Hill, Kinyon, Cunningham and Burger. Motion carried.

Parrott moved to designate *Afton Star Enterprise* as the official paper for publication and Burger seconded the motion. Roll call votes of ayes: Kinyon, Cunningham, Burger and Parrott; abstain: Hill. Motion carried.

Hill moved to designate December 24, 2020 as a holiday and Burger seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Mayor Burger appointed the following Committees and Board Representatives:

Mayor ProTem: Parrott

Union County Landfill: Hill, Cunningham as alternate

SICOG Project Review Board: Parrott, Mayor Burger as alternate

Afton Fire Board: Kinyon

Emergency Management Commission: Mayor Burger, J. Burger as alternate

UCDA & Public Funding Council: Parrott, Mayor Burger as alternate

Union County Healthcare Coalition: Cunningham, Mayor Burger as alternate

Sewer & Streets: Cunningham & J. Burger Police: Mayor Burger, Parrott, Kinyon City Hall/Admin/Park: Hill & Cunningham Finance Committee: Parrott & Mayor Burger Greenlawn Cemetery Trustees: Parrott

Recreation Board: Hill

Mayor Burger administered the Oath of Office to City Clerk Landers.

### **RESOLUTION/ORDINANCES:**

Parrott moved to approve Resolution 2020-07 RESOLUTION SETTING PUBLIC HEARING FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021 MAXIMUM PROPERTY TAX DOLLARS FOR THE CITY OF AFTON, IOWA (Hearing to be 2/11/20 at 6:30 PM). Kinyon seconded the motion. Roll call votes of ayes: Hill, Cunningham, Kinyon, Parrott and Burger. Motion carried.

Parrott moved to place Ordinance No. 244 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF AFTON, IOWA, 2018 BY AMENDING PROVISION PERTAINING TO SIDEWALK STANDARDS on its first reading. Burger seconded the motion. Roll call votes of ayes: Cunningham, Parrott, Kinyon, Hill and Burger. Motion carried.

Hill moved to place Ordinance No. 245 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF AFTON, IOWA, 2018, BY AMENDING PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO SOLID WASTE COLLECTION FEES (increase 50 cents/mo.) on its first reading. Burger seconded the motion. Roll call votes of ayes: Burger, Kinyon, Cunningham, Parrott and Hill. Motion carried.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Discussed Wi-Fi Center project and Hill mentioned volunteers and helpers are hanging drywall currently. Landers mentioned the grant application was submitted to SW Iowa REC and hopefully we will hear back in January. Council will discuss options in February for ordering doors & windows.

David Hargrove was present to discuss the Gibson Memorial Library and stated it is a library for the entire county. The library has been fundraising for the addition at the current location since August 2016. Hargrove stated if interest in a library in Afton they would be interested in partnering with us. Parrott felt we needed to focus and use our money on our own projects and not on adding meeting rooms to the library in Creston. Several discussions started. Cunningham moved to pledge \$10,000 over a 4-year period (\$2500/year) starting in FY21 and set the funds aside to be donated after the library has raised all their funds. Hill seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burger, Kinyon, Hill and Cunningham; nay: Parrott. Motion carried.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Jennifer Crall, Director of Public Affairs for Iowa Select Farms, gave a presentation on their Little Free Pantry and would like to place one in the Afton Park. Council asked a few questions and Crall stated it would be stocked by their local employees in our area. Parrott moved to put the Little Free Pantry in the City Park and Cunningham seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried. Cunningham asked Police Chief McGuire to come up with a location in the park for the pantry.

Hill moved to reappoint Gary Clear and Monte Parrott to another term on the Greenlawn Cemetery Trustees. Burger seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Clerk Landers shared some RPGI Billing Clerks and area town utility clerk wages and requested the Council consider increasing Utility Clerk Walter's current wage of \$15.50/hr. Parrott moved to increase Utility Clerk Walter to \$16.50/hr and Burger seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Clerk Landers updated the Council that there is interest in City owned land (parcel 0716330006) at the SE intersection of Hwy 34 & 169 for a retail store project and she has been discussing with a realtor who represents a national discount retail store developer. Landers talked to City Attorney Hansen who stated to first find out if Council had an interest in selling land and if so

would need to get a fair market value. Council discussed but wanted more information as to where on the parcel they would build, access needed, etc. Landers will contact realtor to see if more information could be gathered first and will also research if there were any stipulations on this parcel when it was purchased from the DOT in order to build our entrance sign back in 2008.

Parrott moved to adjourn and Hill seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the Council adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Council had a workshop to discuss the 2020-2021 Budget from 8:00 PM to 8:26 PM.

	Michelle Burger, Mayor
ATTEST:	
Toni Landers, City Clerk	