

October 11, 2022

The Afton City Council met in regular scheduled session at 6:30 PM October 11, 2022. Mayor Burger presided with Council members Steve Kinyon, Jeff Burger, Dave Cunningham, Mary Hill and Kristie Nixon present.

Kinyon moved to approve the agenda and Nixon seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried. Kinyon moved to approve the consent agenda which consisted of the minutes of September 13, 2022 meeting, report of the City Clerk/Treasurer, Afton Police Department and the following bills. Cunningham seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Employees	Gen/RU/Sr/Elec-Payroll	4,935.20
Auditor of State, Rob Sand	Gen-Audit Filing Fee	175.00
Greater Regional Medical	Gen-W/C Injury	310.80
Petty Cash	Rec-FB Concession/Start Funds	550.00
Employees	Gen/RU/Sr/Elec-Payroll	5,008.08
941 Payment	Gen/RU/Sr/Elec-Sep Payroll Taxes	5,069.15
Iowa Dept of Revenue	Gen/RU/Sr/Elec-Sep Payroll W/H	832.54
IPERS	Gen/RU/Sr/Elec-Sep Retirement	3,199.74
Iowa Department of Revenue	Sr/Elec-Sales Tax	1,692.45
RPGI	Elec-Purchase Electricity	40,725.34
SIRWA	Gen/Sr-Water	1,897.16
Verizon Wireless	Gen-Police Internet	40.03
Access Systems	Gen/Sr/Elec-Copier Qtrly Contract	143.11
Akin Building Ctr.	Gen/Sr-Supplies	62.23
Feldhacker Contracting	RU-Spray Injection on Streets	2,233.74
Green Valley Pest Control	Gen-Mowing Contract Pmt 6 of 7	3,055.71
IAMU	Elec-Fall Energizers	142.80
Matt Stoll	Mtr.Dep-Deposit Refund Less Rock	40.00
Meggen L Weeks PLC	W.Trail-Easement Work	920.00
Office Machines Co	Gen/Sr/Elec-Office/Comm.Ctr	43.85
Paul Whited	Elec-Fridge Rebate	50.00
Podium Ink	Rec-T-Shirts	1,257.25
Southwest Iowa REC	Elec-Parts/Labor, Qtrly Sub Inspect	955.66
Utility Fund	Mtr.Dep-Stoll Rock	60.00
Union County Clerk of Court	Gen-Nuisance Court Cases	265.00
Casey's Business M/C	Gen-Gas	270.67
Echo Group, Inc.	Gen-LED Sign Supplies	106.73
Innovative Industries	Gen-Sept Comm. Ctr. Cleaning	90.00
Iowa Tool & Mfg. Inc.	RU-Culverts for Various Areas	2,071.08
Jim's Sanitation	Gen-Garbage/Recycling	5,708.56
United Farmers Coop	Gen/RU/Sr-Gas	487.10
USIC	Elec-Locates	249.11
Windstream	Gen-Phone System	148.99
Windstream	Gen-Internet	329.73
Iowa One Call	Sr/Elec-Locates	27.90

Quality Glass	Gen-Cemetery Window Repair	191.73
Schildberg Construction	Gen-Rock for New Trail Work	2,239.82
Afton Fire Department	Gen-Annual Fire Levy	11,820.00
Afton Star Enterprise	Gen-Publications	220.38
Card Services	Gen/Rec/Sr/Elec-Supplies	804.28
Gronewold, Bell, Kyhnn	Gen-Audit Balance and Fees	2,312.20
Madison National Life	EB/RU/Sr/Elec-Life/Supplemental	47.61
MidAmerican Energy	Gen/Sr-Gas	34.86
TOTAL		\$ 100,825.59

General Fund	\$ 29,450.45	Road Use	4,513.72
Employee Benefit	9,136.09	W. Trail	920.00
Recreation	2,607.77	Sewer Fund	336.40
Electric	43,817.88	Meter Deposit	100.00
Payroll	9,943.28	TOTAL	\$ 100,825.59

RECEIPTS:

General	\$ 17,935.32	Road Use	13,706.77
Employee Benefit	1,339.02	Emergency	62.60
LOST	9,431.98	Walking Trail	70,000.48
Tyler Fund	282.80	Huss Fund	.95
Recreation	3,370.32	Perpetual Care	.05
Sewer	9,417.69	Sewer Sinking	3,130.97
Sewer Improvement	47.34	Sewer Reserve	85.89
Electric	84,175.05	Electric Sinking Fund	13,652.70
Meter Deposit	185.13	Sick Leave	4.74
TOTAL			\$226,829.80

PUBLIC FORUM: No one present spoke.

OLD BUSINESS:

Steve Ruby was present to report on progress of nuisance abatement at 100 W. Iowa. Ruby said they are doing what they can but will need help when family members are available to fix roof. The person coming for camper has not hauled it off yet. Council requested an updated report for November 8 meeting and camper must be gone.

Council reviewed draft trail easement for 2504-2508 E. Grand with new language added by Terry & Jacque Greene's attorney. City Attorney Weeks had reviewed added language and did not agree with the additions. Council discussed added language and other options. Hill moved to accept the easement language and Cunningham seconded the motion. Roll call votes: Kinyon aye; Burger nay, Nixon nay, Cunningham aye and Hill aye. Motion carried.

Clerk Landers reported that after upgrades were made on the Utility Clerk computer, it has been running smoothly. Replacing the computer has been put on hold for now.

Nixon moved to approve the Certificate of Completion on the Wastewater Treatment Lagoon Piping Improvements project. Burger seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried. Total project was bid at \$276,000 and completed for \$265,610 after change orders.

NEW BUSINESS:

The property owner of 604 E. Filmore was notified per Ordinance 165.28 that mobile containers are only allowed 7 days unless approved by the Council for longer temporary use. Scott Valencia, property owner, submitted letter stating container is being used to store materials needed for repair and reconstruction of both 600 & 604 E. Filmore and requested extension of time to 3/1/23. He also submitted pictures and statement signed by 5 neighbors. Cunningham moved to allow the temporary storage container at 604 E. Filmore until 3/1/23. Burger seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Greenlawn Board Council Rep Nixon regretfully submitted Monte Parrott's resignation from their board. Parrott offered to help out at the cemetery when he was available. The Board recommended Ellen Jensen to fill the vacancy. Hill moved to accept Parrott's resignation and appoint Ellen Jensen to the Greenlawn Board in his place. Cunningham seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried. Jensen's term will expire 1/1/26.

Nixon submitted 3 bids from Green Valley Lawn Care for maintenance items at the cemetery. Greenlawn Board requests approval on all 3 items using Tyler funds donated specifically for maintenance items like these. Burger moved to approve all 3 bids (\$3,000 to cut and remove trees along fence, \$1,990 for one time spraying of weeds and fertilizer, and \$731 for bare ground treatments). Cunningham seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Police Chief McGuire had looked at parking on west side of Afton Housing along Gregory. He said they could consider making some space "car parking only". K'Lea Johnson didn't like car only as there are several residents that have SUV's or trucks living there. Council discussed options and decided to leave as is. No motion made to make any changes.

Burger moved to accept the Audited Financial Statement for Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2022. Kinyon seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Health Insurance agent Jamie Van Gorp of Gallagher sent us our Wellmark BC/BS renewal quote. Renewal of same existing plan for 2023 is a 10.89% increase. Other options were discussed. Clerk Landers had budgeted for 20%. Hill moved to approve renewal of existing Wellmark plan and get other company quotes next year at renewal time. Nixon seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Clerk Landers updated Council that AccuJet lining project approved for alley in 200 block between E. Kansas & E. Filmore cannot be completed because the section that was cracked is now broken and can't be lined. Locate requests were made on 9/30 and have not been completed yet for gas and phone lines. As soon as alley is located, we can get accurate quote to dig up that section and repair. Kinyon moved to approve fixing sewer main break and Hill seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Cunningham moved to adjourn and Burger seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the Council adjourned at 7:28 PM.

Michelle Burger, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Toni Landers, City Clerk