

February 14, 2023

The Afton City Council met in regular scheduled session at 6:30 PM February 14, 2023. Mayor Burger presided with Council members Mary Hill, Kristie Nixon, Steve Kinyon, Dave Cunningham, and Jeff Burger 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 January 10 & 13, 2023 meetings, 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	4,966.72
941 Payment	Gen/RU/Sr/Elec-Jan Payroll Taxes	3,200.43
Iowa Dept. of Revenue	Gen/RU/Sr/Elec-Jan State W/H	505.90
IPERS	Gen/RU/Sr/Elec-Jan Retirement	2,085.00
East Union School	Rec-Boys/Girls BB Concessions %	437.38
Jennifer Jackson	Rec-BB Entry Fee/Whistle	88.37
Madison National Life Ins.	EB/RU/Sr/Elec-Life Ins/Suppl.	47.61
MidAmerican Energy	Gen/Sr-Gas	340.01
NAPA	RU/Sr-Vehicle Supplies	104.86
Prairie Solid Waste Agency	Gen-Nuisance Cleanup-Lamaak	115.73
Southwest Iowa REC	Gen-Remove Pole Lights	278.20
Wellmark BC/BS	EB/RU/Sr/Elec-Feb. Health Ins.	2,016.43
Bomgaars	RU-Supplies	52.88
East Union Schools	Rec-Football Concession Supplies	2,231.64
Star Equipment	RU-Skid Steer Forks	1,058.82
Iowa Dept of Revenue	Sr/Elec-Sales Tax	1,498.75
RPGI	Elec-Purchase Electricity	45,991.75
SIRWA	Gen/Sr-Water	127.20
Verizon Wireless	Gen-Police Internet	40.01
Caseys Business M/C	Gen-Gas	216.71
Windstream	Gen-Phone System	149.25
Windstream	Gen-Internet Services	330.15
Haley Hodges	Mtr.Dep-Void Uncashed Check	(41.10)
Employees	Gen/RU/Sr/Elec-Payroll	4,966.39
Afton Star	Gen-Publications/Ad	256.17
Capital One	Gen/Sr/Elec-Office Supplies	46.44
Corning Youth Club	Rec-BB Tourn. Entry Fees	60.00
Iowa One Call	Sr/Elec-Locates	9.00
Jim's Sanitation	Gen-Garbage/Recycling	5,552.65
Kayla Weeks	Rec-Reimb. BB Entry Fees	200.00
Meggen L Weeks PLC	Gen-Legal Fees	22.00
SW Iowa Planning Council	Cap.Proj-CDBG Housing GAX5	14,750.00
Tim Cort	Mtr.Dep-Balance After Final Bill	12.66
Utility Fund	Mtr.Dep-Cort Final Bill	17.34
Card Services	Gen/Sr/Elec-Stamped Envel./Billing	1,451.98
Fareway	Rec-Concession Supplies	260.61
Innovative Industries	Gen-Jan Comm Ctr Cleaning	90.00

Jim's Sanitation	Gen-Garbage/Recycling 3% Inc.	170.57
Service Techs Inc.	Gen/Ru-Chain Saw Supplies	63.97
United Farmers Coop	Gen/RU/Sr-Gas	718.21
USIC Locating Svc.	Elec-Locates	310.04
Bomgaars	Gen-Supplies	16.86
Madison National Life	EB/RU/Sr/Elec-Life/Suppl.	47.61
Southwest Iowa REC	Elec-Material/Labor for Repairs	2,962.24
Wellmark BC/BS	EB/RU/Sr/Elec-Mar. Health Ins.	2,016.43
East Union Schools	Rec-Concession-Boys/Girls BB	568.28
MidAmerican Energy	Gen/Sr-Gas	<u>295.18</u>
TOTAL		\$ 100,707.33

General Fund	\$ 8,058.50	Road Use	1,941.19
Employee Benefit	8,094.89	Recreation	3,846.28
Capital Project	14,750.00	Sewer Fund	1,782.26
Electric	52,312.20	Meter Deposit	<u>(11.10)</u>
Payroll	9,933.11	TOTAL	\$ 100,707.33

RECEIPTS:

General	\$ 8,468.10	Road Use	8,656.18
Employee Benefit	56.60	LOST	10,908.10
Walking Trail	3,000.00	Recreation	1,749.50
Sewer	7,102.66	Sewer Sinking	3,115.84
Electric	78,974.01	Electric Sinking Fund	<u>13,627.50</u>
Meter Deposit	150.00	TOTAL	\$135,808.49

PUBLIC HEARING: At 6:31 PM Mayor Burger announced it was time for the public hearing on the Proposed Property Tax Levy for fiscal year 7/1/23 to 6/30/24. The total tax levy proposed maximum is \$223,536 and tax rate 11.60975. No one present spoke for or against the proposed property tax levy and no comments had been received at city hall. Mayor Burger closed the public hearing at 6:32 PM.

PUBLIC FORUM: Kristie Nixon updated the Council that Gibson Memorial Library is no longer expanding, but renovating and their Library Legacy is raising funds and will be reaching out to the City regarding it's past pledge towards the expansion.

NEW BUSINESS:

David Love & Jessie were present along with their contractor Zac Huddleson to discuss issues they have been having with neighbors at their 402 S. Pierce & 409 S. Clayton homes that were moved in and they are working to improve and install utilities. The sewer still needs installed at Clayton property and there was concern about fence and location of Washington Street. Clerk Landers will discuss easement, issues and if a survey is needed depending on where the sewer tap location will be with the City Attorney.

RESOLUTIONS/ORDINANCES:

Hill moved to approve Resolution 2023-09 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX LEVY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2024 FOR THE CITY

OF AFTON, IOWA. Burger seconded the motion. Roll call votes of ayes: Kinyon, Hill, Burger, Nixon and Cunningham. Motion carried.

Nixon moved to approve Resolution 2023-10 RESOLUTION SETTING PUBLIC HEARING FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024 BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF AFTON, IOWA. Burger seconded the motion. Roll call votes of ayes: Hill, Nixon, Cunningham, Kinyon and Burger. Motion carried.

Hill moved to approve Resolution 2023-11 RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT BID AND AWARD CONTRACT IN OWNER-OCCUPIED HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM. Cunningham seconded the motion. Roll call votes of ayes: Cunningham, Kinyon, Nixon, and Hill; abstain: Burger. Motion carried. Contract for 208 S. Colfax awarded to Fusselman Construction for the CDBG Housing grant in the amount of \$13,050.

Cunningham moved to place Ordinance No. 261 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF AFTON, IOWA, 2018 BY AMENDING PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO LOAD AND WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS on its 2nd reading. Kinyon seconded the motion. Roll call votes of ayes: Hill, Kinyon, Nixon, Cunningham and Burger. Motion carried.

Cunningham moved to waive the 3rd reading of Ordinance No. 261. Nixon seconded the motion. Roll call votes of ayes: Kinyon, Hill, Burger, Nixon and Cunningham. Motion carried.

Kinyon moved to approve Ordinance No. 261. Cunningham seconded the motion. Roll call votes of ayes: Nixon, Hill, Cunningham, Kinyon and Burger. Motion carried.

Hill moved to place Ordinance No. 262 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF AFTON, IOWA, 2018 BY AMENDING PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO RESIDENTIAL DWELLING STANDARDS on its 2nd reading. Burger seconded the motion. Roll call votes of ayes: Kinyon, Burger, Hill, Cunningham and Nixon. Motion carried.

Cunningham moved to waive the 3rd reading of Ordinance No. 262. Nixon seconded the motion. Roll call votes of ayes: Hill, Burger, Nixon, Cunningham and Kinyon. Motion carried.

Cunningham moved to approve Ordinance No. 262. Nixon seconded the motion. Roll call votes of ayes: Cunningham, Hill, Nixon, Kinyon and Burger. Motion carried.

Hill moved to place Ordinance No. 263 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF AFTON, IOWA, 2018 BY ADDING NEW CHAPTER 156 REGULATING "BUILDING CODES" on its 2nd reading. Cunningham seconded the motion. Roll call votes of ayes: Burger, Kinyon, Nixon, Hill and Cunningham. Motion carried.

Burger moved to waive the 3rd reading of Ordinance No. 263. Nixon seconded the motion. Roll call votes of ayes: Hill, Nixon, Kinyon, Burger and Cunningham. Motion carried.

Burger moved to approve Ordinance No. 263. Cunningham seconded the motion. Roll call votes of ayes: Kinyon, Nixon, Hill, Cunningham and Burger. Motion carried.

Burger moved to place Ordinance No. 264 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF AFTON, IOWA, 2018, BY AMENDING PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO SOLID WASTE COLLECTION FEES on its 1st reading. Nixon seconded the motion. Roll call votes of ayes: Nixon, Hill, Cunningham, Burger and Kinyon. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Police Chief McGuire discussed nuisance at 100 W. Iowa with City Attorney Hardisty who requested he send a new nuisance letter to re-establish timeline for abatement. Clerk Landers updated the Council the notice was mailed certified return receipt on 1/26/23 and hasn't been signed for yet. If returned unclaimed, the next step would be personal service.

NEW BUSINESS:

Clerk Landers presented updated Community Center user contracts with increase in rental rates. Burger moved to increase rates as proposed on new contracts and Nixon seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Cunningham moved to approve Utility Clerk Walter attend the IAMU Energy conference March 1-3 and Burger seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

City Attorney Weeks notified Clerk Landers of a Nuisance Abatement Conference being held in May. Landers checked Iowa League of Cities website and the agenda and rate are not posted yet. With lack of information on the conference, no motion was made.

Nixon moved to reappoint Doug Tucker, Linda Haner, and Amy Culler to the Board of Adjustment. Kinyon seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Nixon discussed receiving requests from two families wanting a sidewalk added in the park from the middle sidewalk to the splashpad. Council would like to pursue grants for this. Nixon moved to have Clerk Landers get quotes or ideas for a sidewalk to the splashpad and Cunningham seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Nixon moved to approve the Downtown Façade Grants the committee recommended in the amount of \$31,300 for fiscal year 2024. Burger seconded the motion. All voted in favor except Hill who abstained. Motion carried.

Nixon moved to adjourn and Burger seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the Council adjourned at 7:46 PM.

Michelle Burger, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Toni Landers, City Clerk