

May 9, 2023

The Afton City Council met in regular scheduled session at 6:30 PM May 9, 2023. Mayor Burger presided with Council members Dave Cunningham, Mary Hill, and Jeff Burger present. Kristie Nixon and Steve Kinyon were absent.

Cunningham moved to approve the agenda and Hill seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried. Hill moved to approve the consent agenda which consisted of the minutes of April 11, 2023 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	4,987.16
Capital One	Gen/Sr/Elec-Office Supplies	84.68
Pepsi Co.	Rec-Concession Supplies	396.66
Card Services	Gen/Sr/Elec-Supplies & Conference	389.18
Madison National Life Ins.	EB/RU/Sr/Elec-Life Insurance	47.61
MidAmerican Energy	Gen/Sr-Gas	143.92
SW Iowa REC	Rec-Ballfield Electricity	35.00
Wellmark BC/BS	EB/RU/Sr/Elec-Health Insurance	2,016.43
Riddell	Rec-Football Helmets	3,639.95
Bomgaars	Gen-Supplies	43.61
Robert & Teena Dike	Rec-Reimburse Keys/Lockbox	61.05
Employees	Gen/RU/Sr/Elec-Payroll	5,075.48
941 Payment	Gen/RU/Sr/Elec-Apr Payroll Taxes	3,207.59
Iowa Dept. of Revenue	Gen/RU/Sr/Elec-Apr State W/H	477.05
IPERS	Gen/RU/Sr/Elec-Apr Retirement	2,109.32
Windstream	Gen-Internet	329.74
Iowa Dept. of Revenue	Sr/Elec-Sales Tax	1,287.16
RPGI	Elec-Purchase Electricity	32,961.60
SIRWA	Gen/Sr-Water	127.20
Verizon Wireless	Gen-Police Internet	40.01
Afton Star	Gen-Publications & Ads	377.59
Akin	Rec-Supplies	505.82
Core-Mark MidContinent	Rec-Concession Supplies	1,672.47
Echo Group, Inc.	Elec-Box for Electric Pole	119.43
Green Valley Pest Control	Gen-Mowing/Bare Ground Treat.	4,282.86
Innovative Industries	Gen-April Comm. Ctr. Cleaning	90.00
Iowa One Call	Sr/Elec-Locates	34.20
Iowa Tool & Mfg.	RU-Culverts & Supplies	626.42
Meggen Weeks	Gen-Legal Fees	66.00
Shawn & Rosie Miller	Econ.Dev-Ext. Beautification	500.00
Skogerson McGinn LLC	Gen-Legal Fees	44.00
Southwest Iowa REC	Elec-Parts & Labor on Repairs	3,360.69
State Hygienic Lab	Sr-Lagoon Test Samples	58.00
USIC Locating Service	Elec-Locates	611.16
Utility Fund	Mtr.Dep-Cole Final Bill	190.00

GRH-Business Health/Well	RU-Random Drug Screen	40.00
Schildberg	Gen/RU-Rock	745.37
Southwest Iowa REC	Elec-Wind/Fire Damage Repairs	1,799.62
United Farmers Coop	Gen/RU/Sr-Grass Seed/Gas	647.72
Utility Fund	Elec-Fridge/Dryer Rebates-Landers	100.00
Windstream	Gen-Phone System	149.07
Casey's Business M/C	Gen/Sr-Gas	339.07
Mike & Sandy Ralya	Gen-Reimburse Planter Flowers	794.50
Unity Point-Occ. Med.	RU-Random Drug Screen	42.00
TOTAL		\$ 74,656.39

General Fund	\$ 6,985.48	Road Use	1,557.47
Employee Benefit	6,945.74	Economic Development	500.00
Walking Trail	170.50	Recreation	6,310.95
Capital Project	80.41	Sewer Fund	856.79
Electric	40,996.41	Meter Deposit	190.00
Payroll	10,062.64	TOTAL	\$ 74,656.39

#### RECEIPTS:

General	\$ 81,091.84	Road Use	9,790.66
Employee Benefit	8,602.55	LOST	5,777.66
Recreation	4,351.00	Perpetual Care	80.00
Sewer	7,427.30	Sewer Sinking	3,115.84
Electric	69,930.07	Electric Sinking Fund	13,627.50
Meter Deposit	325.00	TOTAL	\$204,119.42

#### PUBLIC FORUM:

K'Lea Johnson commented at their last Afton Development Corporation meeting Dorothy McNaught stated she talked to meal site attendees and received comments that yard's need cleaned up and also a picnic table at the Afton lake needs fixed.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

Alex & Candace Ripperger were present regarding follow up on questions on their fence in Washington Street. City Attorney Weeks addressed their new option regarding vacating Washington Street between Clayton and Pierce Streets and they would move their fence in Washington street to their property line on the west side of Clayton. Weeks stated both abutting property owners would have rights of their abutting ½ of street if City were willing to vacate and sale if no utilities are located in this section. Weeks explained public hearing and steps needed to vacate street. Council discussed and this section of street has no utilities and is a ravine/creek area that will not be able to be opened as a street. Hill moved to set a public hearing for June 13 to consider vacating portion of Washington Street on the east side of Clayton. Cunningham seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried. Landers will reach out to David Love Estate as they are abutting property owner on north side of Washington.

#### RESOLUTIONS/ORDINANCES:

Hill moved to approve Resolution 2023-16 RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT BID AND AWARD CONTRACT IN OWNER-OCCUPIED HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM and Burger seconded the motion. Roll call votes of ayes: Cunningham, Hill and Burger. Motion carried.

Hill moved to approve Resolution 2023-17 RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING CITY ATTORNEY FEES and Burger seconded the motion. Roll call votes of ayes: Cunningham, Burger and Hill. Motion carried. Fee set for \$220.00/hr. for Meggen Weeks & James Rowe.

Hill moved to place Ordinance No. 265 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 3<sup>rd</sup> reading. Cunningham seconded the motion. Roll call votes of ayes: Hill, Burger, and Cunningham. Motion carried.

Hill moved to approve Ordinance No. 265 and Cunningham seconded the motion. Roll call votes of ayes: Hill, Cunningham and Burger. Motion carried. Changes 96-gal from \$19.90 to \$20.75/mo. & 35-gal from \$15.25 to \$16.00/mo.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Nuisance property at 100 W. Iowa Street. It was reported by Police Chief McGuire to City Clerk Landers that the junk camper is now gone from the property. Landers stated they have 90 days on dangerous building (garage) which would be up on June 29.

Hill moved to approve the bid for summer street concrete work from Feldhacker Contracting LLC for \$13,245.00 plus patch on E. Filmore for \$725.00. Burger seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Council reviewed resignation of co-counsel attorney Hardisty effective 4/21/23. Hardisty is no longer working in private practice.

Cunningham moved to approve the Afton's Lions request for street closures of Railroad/Webster/Kansas around the square on June 25<sup>th</sup> for their Pre-4<sup>th</sup> celebration event. Burger seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Hill moved to approve the Union County Fair Association 14-day Alcohol License effective July 17<sup>th</sup>. Burger seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Cunningham moved to approve Casey's Cigarette/Tobacco/Nicotine/Vapor permit application and Burger seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Cunningham moved to accept Caleb Case and Andrea Clear's resignation on the Recreation board and approve appointing Alex Pettit and Zach Clear to fill the vacancies. Burger seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Hill moved to approve payment of Rosie Miller's Exterior Beautification grant for improvements made at 208 W. Polk. Burger seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Hill moved to approve Wilkey Tree & Turf treating the ash trees in the city park and Cunningham seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Cunningham moved to approve the Livestock Permit Application for 15 4-H broiler chicken at 814 E. Filmore-Downey. Burger seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Burger moved to adjourn and Cunningham seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the Council adjourned at 7:06 PM.

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Michelle Burger, Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Toni Landers, City Clerk