

June 13, 2023

The Afton City Council met in regular scheduled session at 6:30 PM June 13, 2023. Mayor Burger presided with Council members Dave Cunningham, Mary Hill, Kristie Nixon, Steve Kinyon, 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 May 9, 2023 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	5,038.75
Pepsi	Rec-Concession Supplies	526.52
Card Services	Gen/Sr/Elec/Rec-Supplies	431.39
East Union Schools	Rec-Reimb. Concession Supplies	1,115.14
Jim's Sanitation	Gen-Garbage/Recycling-April	5,696.58
Kayla Weeks	Rec-Refund Coach Pitch Reg	30.00
Madison National Life Ins.	EB/RU/Sr/Elec-Life Ins/Suppl.	47.61
MidAmerican Energy	Gen/Sr-Gas	68.20
Ripperger Auto	Sr/RU-Tractor Battery	398.00
Southwest Iowa REC	Rec-Ballfield Electricity	69.00
Wellmark BC/BS	EB/RU/Sr/Elec-Health Ins	2,016.43
Employees	Gen/RU/Sr/Elec-Payroll	4,915.75
Windstream	Gen-Internet	329.74
941 Payment	Gen/RU/Sr/Elec-May Payroll Taxes	3,178.51
Deluxe Business Products	Gen/Sr/Elec-Deposit Tickets	93.70
Iowa Dept. of Revenue	Gen/RU/Sr/Elec-May State W/H	473.66
IPERS	Gen/RU/Sr/Elec-May Retirement	2,097.53
Iowa DNR	Sr-Wastewater License Renewal	61.50
Pepsi	Rec-Concession Supplies	316.34
Podium Ink	Rec-Ball Uniforms	2,714.06
Weaver Meats	Rec-Concession Supplies	385.40
Central Bank	Elec.Skg.-Loan Prin. & Int. Pmt.	81,323.00
Iowa Finance Authority	Sr.Skg.-Loan Prin. & Int. Pmt.	20,130.00
RPGI	Elec-Purchase Electricity	39,360.43
SIRWA	Gen/Sr-Water	127.20
Verizon Wireless	Gen-Police Internet	40.01
Caseys Business M/C	Gen-Gas	135.74
Iowa Dept. of Revenue	Sr/Elec-Sales Tax	1,374.92
Windstream	Gen-Phone System	149.08
Windstream	Gen-Internet	338.17
Allan & Toni Landers	Econ.Dev-Ext. Beautification Grant	500.00
Angie Wimber	Econ.Dev-Ext. Beautification Grant	500.00
Bomgaars	Gen-Supplies	36.37
Bruce & Michelle Jones	Econ.Dev-Ext. Beautification Grant	190.83
Capital One	Gen/Sr/Elec/Rec-Supplies	277.46

City of Lamoni	Rec-Boys/Girls Ball Tourn Fee	40.00
Core-Mark MidContinent	Rec-Concession Supplies	702.85
Daivid McNeill	Elec-Remove Dead Ash in R-O-W	2,250.00
Green Valley Pest Control	Gen/Rec-Pet Control/Mowing	3,657.26
Hometown Insurance	Gen/Sr/Elec-Ins Audit Adjustments	296.00
Iowa Codification	Gen-Codify Ord. 265	76.00
Jeanne Bryson	Econ.Dev-Ext. Beautification Grant	500.00
Jim's Sanitation	Gen-Garbage/Recycling – May	5,696.58
Kayla Weeks	Econ.Dev-Ext. Beautification Grant	500.00
Meggen L. Weeks PLC	Gen-Legal Fees	132.00
Quill	Gen/Sr/Elec-Office Supplies	187.74
Radar Road Tec	Gen-2 Radar Certs	70.00
SW Iowa REC	Elec-Repairs	864.67
State Hygienic Lab	Sr-Lagoon Sample Tests	196.00
Warren Tire	RU-Tractor Tire	216.00
Employees	Gen/Sr/Elec/RU-Payroll	5,155.59
Mayor	Gen-2 nd Qtr. Mayor Payroll	461.75
Afton Star	Gen-Publications & Ads	438.52
Frank Dunn Co.	RU-Pallet of Cold Patch	949.00
Innovative Industries	Gen-Comm. Ctr Cleaning-May	90.00
Jennifer Seales	Econ.Dev-Ext. Beautification Grant	500.00
Quill	Gen/Sr/Elec-Office Supplies	159.33
Southwest Iowa REC	Elec-Electric Repairs	1,087.20
United Farmers Coop	Gen/RU/Sr-Gas & Weed Killer	756.62
USIC Locating	Elec-Locates for May	356.50
Pepsi Co.	Rec-Concession Supplies	428.12
Card Services	Gen/Sr/Elec/Rec-Supplies/Equip.	2,313.90
Lynam Lawncare	Gen-Spray Park & Entrance	185.00
Madison National Life	Gen/EB/Sr/Elec-Life Ins.	47.61
MidAmerican Energy	Gen/Sr-Gas	27.24
Wellmark BC/BS	EB/RU/Sr/Elec-Health Ins.	2,016.43
Wilkey Tree & Turf	Gen-Treat 3 Ash Trees	860.00
Weaver Meats	Rec-Concession Supplies	264.90
SW Iowa REC	Rec-Ballfield Electric	69.00
TOTAL		\$ 206,038.83

General Fund	\$ 18,982.83	Road Use	1,809.72
Employee Benefit	8,053.26	Economic Development	2,690.83
Recreation	9,682.76	Sewer Fund	1,527.10
Sewer Sinking	20,130.00	Electric	46,267.49
Electric Sinking	81,323.00	Payroll	15,571.84
		TOTAL	\$ 206,038.83

RECEIPTS:

General	\$ 12,669.27	Road Use	10,865.15
Employee Benefit	403.57	LOST	12,869.96

Walking Trail	10,000.00	Recreation	2,840.51
Capital Equipment	1.50	Perpetual Care	160.00
Sewer	7,474.85	Sewer Sinking	3,115.80
Sewer Reserve	10.63	Electric	58,853.24
Electric Sinking Fund	13,627.50	Meter Deposit	<u>233.02</u>
		TOTAL	\$133,125.00

PUBLIC HEARING:

At 6:30 PM Mayor Burger announced it was time for the public hearing on the intent to file an application with the USDA Rural Development for financial assistance to purchase a storm siren at the recreation complex. Comments at meeting: Connie Kerrigan stated it was a good idea and Crystal Tomas said it was a good thing as sirens can't be heard in that area at school. There were no comments received at City Hall. Mayor Burger closed the public hearing at 6:31 PM.

At 6:31 PM Mayor Burger announced it was time for the public hearing on the matter of vacating, closing and conveying a portion of W. Washington Street between S. Clayton and S. Pierce Streets. The Council will consider selling south half to Alex & Candace Ripperger and north half to David Love Estate. As consideration for the conveyance, the proposed buyers have agreed to pay all costs incurred. No comments were received at the hearing meeting and none had been received at City Hall. Mayor Burger closed the public hearing at 6:32 PM.

NEW BUSINESS:

Council Representative for Greenlawn Board of Trustees Nixon gave an update to the council regarding 9/2022 Board discussion to remove permanent plantings and giving over 1 year's notices to have them removed by families. They held a public meeting on Sunday, 6/11 where 50-70 people attended and 12 spoke about plantings and other issues. They are considering other open areas for permanent plantings like trees. Board will take comments received into consideration at their next meeting. There were 9 people present from the 'Save the Peonies' group and 4 Greenlawn Board members in attendance. Several questions and ideas were discussed and a list of questions passed out.

Sheri Tomas & Quynn were present to discuss their Livestock Permit Application. They would like to have a 3-years permit for 15 4H broiler chickens each year. Cunningham moved to approve a 3-year permit and Burger seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Hill moved to approve Jeneane Williams Livestock Permit Application for 4-6 hen and Nixon seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS/ORDINANCES:

Nixon moved to approve Resolution 2023-18 RESOLUTION TO SPECIAL ASSESS NUISANCE ABATEMENT CHARGES DUE TO NON-PAYMENT BY PROPERTY OWNER. Burger seconded the motion. Roll call votes of ayes: Cunningham, Hill, Nixon, Kinyon and Burger. Motion carried.

Hill moved to approve Resolution 2023-19 RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF CITY OF AFTON AGREEING TO APPLY FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE WITH USDA, RURAL DEVELOPMENT TO FINANCE AFTON STORM SIREN. Kinyon seconded the motion. Roll call votes of ayes: Burger, Hill, Cunningham, Kinyon and Nixon. Motion carried.

Hill moved to approve Resolution 2023-20 RESOLUTION APPROVING CONVEYANCE OF REAL ESTATE TO ALEX & CANDACE RIPPERGER & DAVID LOVE ESTATE. Cunningham seconded the motion. Roll call votes of ayes: Nixon, Hill, Burger, Kinyon and Cunningham. Motion carried.

Hill moved to place Ordinance No. 266 AN ORDINANCE VACATING AND CLOSING CERTAIN PORTION OF W. WASHINGTON STREET LOCATED WITHIN THE CITY OF AFTON, UNION COUNTY, IOWA on its first reading. Cunningham seconded the motion. Roll call votes of ayes: Kinyon, Nixon, Burger, Cunningham and Hill. Motion carried.

Cunningham moved to waive the 2nd and 3rd reading of Ordinance No. 266. Nixon seconded the motion. Roll call votes of ayes: Burger, Cunningham, Nixon and Kinyon. Nay: Hill. Motion carried.

Nixon moved to approve Ordinance No. 266 and Burger seconded the motion. Roll call votes of ayes: Burger, Nixon, Cunningham and Kinyon. Nay: Hill. Motion carried.

Hill moved to approve Resolution 2023-21 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY CLERK TO MAKE THE APPROPRIATE INTERFUND TRANSFER OF SUMS AND RECORD THE SAME IN THE APPROPRIATE MANNER FOR THE FY2023 FOR THE CITY OF AFTON, IOWA. Kinyon seconded the motion. Roll call votes of ayes: Hill, Nixon, Kinyon, Burger and Cunningham. Motion carried.

Nixon moved to approve Resolution 2023-22 RESOLUTION SETTING SALARIES FOR APPOINTED CITY OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 (8% everyone and 11% to Jesse). Burger seconded the motion. Roll call votes of ayes: Kinyon, Cunningham, Hill, Nixon and Burger. Motion carried. (Landers \$61,215/yr., McGuire \$53,860/yr., Shade \$25.00/hr., Walter \$20.25/hr., Chenoweth \$17.30/hr.)

Hill moved to approve Resolution 2023-23 A RESOLUTION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS OF THE SOUTHERN IOWA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS. Nixon seconded the motion. Roll call votes of ayes: Nixon, Burger, Hill, Cunningham and Kinyon. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Clerk Landers gave an update on the Park Sidewalk Project. SCICF grant of \$2,000 received and contractor started project yesterday so it will be completed this fiscal year and the budgeted LOST sidewalk money can cover balance of project.

Nixon moved to approve payment of CDBG Housing Grant GAX#6 for \$31,889 when grants fund come in. Cunningham seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Burger moved to approve the Outdoor Liquor License for El Ranchito on June 23, 2023 for street dance. Hill seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Cunningham moved to approve Casey's General Store Alcohol License renewal. Burger seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Clint Haight's resignation from the Recreation Board was reviewed. The board does not have a replacement to be approved yet.

Nixon moved to pay out the completed projects on the Exterior Beautification grants exception of 111 W. Filmore and to pay if they complete by 6/28. Burger seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Nixon moved to donate \$750 to the Afton Volunteer Fire Department for cleaning the street last month. Burger seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Council discussed the new Fiscal Year 2023-24 Exterior Beautification Grant and the Sidewalk Assistance Grant programs. Nixon moved to approve the Exterior Beautification Grant program with house color approvals and not the sidewalk individual grants. Kinyon seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried. \$500 Exterior Beautification Grants up to at max of \$5,000 and \$5,000 sidewalk budgeted funds will be used as seen by a committee.

Council reviewed bids from F&M Carpentry and PC Construction for siding replacement on the north and west side of community center and fixing piece under front south window. Hill moved to approve low bid from PC Construction of \$9,195.10 for LP Smart Side Expert Finish siding and Burger seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion carried.

Clerk Landers updated Council on Recreation Board project to expand concession stand with goals of adding additional bathroom and storage area. The board received a \$20,000 SCICF Union County grant. They will start after ball season using volunteers and try to get as much done as possible. If more funds are needed, they will apply for a Dekko grant. Kinyon moved to approve the project and Burger seconded the motion. All in favor and the motion carried.

Nixon moved to adjourn and Burger seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the Council adjourned at 7:55 PM.

Michelle Burger, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Toni Landers, City Clerk