

December 12, 2023

The Afton City Council met in regular scheduled session at 6:32 PM December 12, 2023. Mayor Burger presided with Council members Steve Kinyon, Jeff Burger, Dave Cunningham, and Kristie Nixon present.

Kinyon moved to approve the agenda and Nixon seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried. Cunningham moved to approve the consent agenda which consisted of the minutes of November 14, 2023 meeting, report of the City Clerk/Treasurer, Afton Police Department and the following bills. Kinyon seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Council Pay	Gen- Payroll	3,101.79
Employees	Gen/RU/Sr/Elec-Payroll	6,714.06
Bomgaars	Gen/RU/SR- Park/shop/vehicles	362.81
FNB	LOST/Elec- Purchase CD	50,000.00
Iowa Dept. of Revenue	Gen/RU/Sr/Elec-Oct State W/H	655.98
941 Payment	Gen/RU/Sr/Elec-Oct Payroll Taxes	4,669.08
IPERS	Gen/RU/Sr/Elec-Oct Retirement	3,060.41
Central Bank	Elec Sinking-Prin & Int	82,439.50
Iowa Dept. of Revenue	SR/Elec-Sales Tax	1,460.19
Iowa Finance Authority	SR- Prin & Int loan	16,970.00
SIRWA	Gen/SR- water	120.00
RPGI	Elec- Electric	38,105.61
Verizon	Gen- Police	40.01
Afton Star	Gen-Ordinances/Printing/Publ.	216.86
Big Boyz Toyz	RU-Plow Install	8,571.60
Green Valley	Gen/REC- Pest Control	113.70
Iowa One Call	Elec/RU-Locate Emails	16.20
IA Rural Water Assoc.	SR-Membership Dues	305.00
Jim's Sanitation	Gen-Garbage	5,816.11
Postmaster	SR/Elec-Roll of Stamps	66.00
US Post Office	Gen/SR/Elec- PO BOX	118.00
USIC	Elec- Locates	209.89
Employees	Gen/RU/SR/Elec- Payroll	6,758.54
Mayor Pay	Gen-Quarterly payroll	461.75
Casey's Business M/C	Gen- Police Gas	160.70
Windstream	Gen- Phone	149.33
Innovative Ind.	Gen- Comm. Center Cleaning	90.00
New Cooperative	SR- Gas	92.38
SW IA REC	Gen- Hang Xmas lights	375.00
Utility Fund	Meter Deposit- J. Best Final Bill	160.00
Card Services	Gen/Elec- Office/Training	278.40
Jennifer Seales	Econ. Dev-DWTWN Facade Grant	10,000.00
Trophy Shop	Gen- Name Plates	28.72
Union Co. Auditor	Election-Election Cost	797.03
Windstream	Gen- Internet C. Hall/WIFI	<u>353.71</u>
	TOTAL	\$ 242,981.13

General Fund	\$ 8,600.47	Road Use	8,818.56
Employee Benefit	8,385.47	LOST	30,000.00
Recreation	51.70	Sewer Fund	740.30
Sewer Sinking	16,970.00	Electric	59,778.99
Electric Sinking	82,439.50	Meter Deposit	160.00
Payroll	17,036.14	Economic Devel.	<u>10,000.00</u>
		TOTAL	\$ 242,981.13

RECEIPTS:

General	\$ 16,886.19	Road Use	9,674.39
Employee Benefit	983.39	LOST	13,024.27
Recreation	1,300.00	Capital Equipment	1.57
Perpetual Care	240.00	Sewer	8,508.31
Sewer Sinking	3,150.83	Sewer Reserve	11.32
Electric	56,702.07	Electric Sinking Fund	<u>13,747.25</u>
Meter Deposit	248.11	TOTAL	\$124,477.70

PUBLIC FORUM:

Kristie Nixon wanted to acknowledge and thank Lynn Kruse and Gary Clear for all their extra efforts in cleaning up the cemetery this fall. Cemetery board sent out a thank you card to Lynn Kruse after their meeting on 12/10/23.

OLD BUSINESS:

Pickleball- Kinyon discussed pickleball with one Rec board member that was in favor of pickleball. Possible locations are the Rec field or the City Park. Kinyon plans to attend the next Rec meeting and discuss this in more detail with the Rec board.

NEW BUSINESS:

Exterior Beautification Payment- Cunningham moved to approved payment for 202 S. Clayton St. home improvements. Kinyon seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Audit Proposal from Gronewold, Bell, Kyhnn & Co., P.C. for 2024, 2025, & 2026 audit services. Nixon moved to approve proposal for 2024, 2025, & 2026 audit services from Gronewold, Bell, Kyhnn & Co., P.C. Burger seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

First National Bank's Insured Cash Sweep Program. This program has options for different account types and higher interest rates than normal checking and savings. However, the current CD rates are still higher than the Sweep rates. Kinyon moved to continue using CDs. Burger seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

DOT Speed Sign. The City of Afton is eligible for DOT Speed sign program. The State would buy the speed sign and install it on HWY 169 at no Charge to the City of Afton. The City would then assume ownership of the sign and be responsible for all future maintenance of the sign.

Burger moved in favor of participating in the speed sign program and having the speed signs installed on HWY 169. Nixon seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Greenlawn cemetery mowing- The mowing contractor, Geen Valley Pest Control and Lawn Care, will not be mowing the Greenlawn Cemetery in 2024. Green Valley decided not to renew or provide a bid for the 2024 mowing season. Kinyon moved to allow the Cemetery Board to advertise for mowing bids. Nixon seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried

Other:

The Oath of Office was administered to the newly elected officials by City Clerk, Kayla Lacina. Newly elected officials are the following: Dave Cunningham, Stave Kinyon, Sheryl Parham, and Michelle Burger (Mayor).

Certificate of Appreciation for Mary Hill for her years of service on the City Council from 11/12/2008- 12/31/2023.

Nixon moved to adjourn and Kinyon seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the Council adjourned at 6:50 PM.

Michelle Burger, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Kayla Lacina, City Clerk