

May 13, 2025

The Afton City Council met in regular scheduled session at 6:30 PM May 13, 2025. Mayor Burger presided over council members Sheryl Parham, Steve Kinyon, Jeff Burger, Kristie Nixon and Dave Cunningham.

Nixon moved to approve the agenda. Parham seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried. Kinyon moved to approve the consent agenda which consisted of the Minutes from the April 8<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025 meetings, City Clerk/Treasurer, and the following bills. Cunningham seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

<b>April 8, 2025-May 13, 2025</b>			
<b>Check #</b>	<b>Vendor Name</b>	<b>Fund-Purpose</b>	<b>Amount</b>
734E	WINDSTREAM	GEN- EMAIL	\$ 12.53
735E	RPGI	ELEC- ELEC PURCHASE	\$ 40,171.35
736E	EFTPS	GEN/RU/SR/ELEC-PAYROLL TAXES- FEB	\$ 2,499.20
737E	IOWA DEP OF REVEN	MONTHLY STATE PAYROLL W/H	\$ 124.60
738E	IPERS	GEN/RU/SR/ELEC- WITHHOLDING MATCH-	\$ 1,867.63
739E	CASEY'S BUSINESS CARD	GEN- POLICE GAS	\$ 51.10
740E	VERIZON	GEN- POLICE INTERNET	\$ 40.01
741E	WINDSTREAM	GEN- PHONE	\$ 149.00
742E	SIRWA	GEN/SR- WATER	\$ 120.00
743E	WINDSTREAM	GEN- EMAIL	\$ 12.53
34071- 34074	EMPLOYEES	GEN/RU/SR/ELEC- PAYROLL #8	\$ 4,614.34
34075	CRYSTAL THOMAS	ECON DEV- EXT BEAUTIFICATION GRANT	\$ 500.00
34076	HULL MONUMENT	ECON DEV- DOWNTOWN FACADE GRANT	\$ 5,000.00
34077	MCNEIL TREE SERVICE	ELEC- TRIM TREE AROUND POWER LINE	\$ 4,250.00
34078	ELAN FIN. SERVICES	GEN/REC/ELEC- SUPPLIES/ TRAINING	\$ 2,181.77
34079	GREEN VALLEY PEST	GEN- BARE GROUND SPRAY CEMETERY	\$ 731.00
34080	MADISON NATIONAL LIFE	EMP.BEN/SR/ELEC/RU- LIFE INSURANCE	\$ 48.25
34081	MIDAMERICAN	GEN/SR- GAS HEAT	\$ 115.23
34082	RIDDELL	REC- UNIFORMS	\$ 2,535.00
34083	SW IOWA REC	ELEC-	\$ 3,281.79
34084	SW IOWA REC	REC- BALL FIELD LIGHTS	\$ 80.00
34085	USIC LOCATING	ELEC- LOCATES	\$ 18.51
34086	WELLMARK BC/BS	EMBEN/SR/ELEC/RU- HEALTH INS	\$ 1,526.19
34087- 34090	EMPLOYEES	GEN/RU/SR/ELEC- PAYROLL #9	\$ 4,804.31
34091	JIMS SANITAION	GEN-GARBAGE	\$ 6,071.06
34092	KELLY KLOMMHAUS	GEN- CEMETERY MOWING	\$ 5,000.00
34093- 34098	EMPLOYEES	GEN/RU/SR/ELEC- PAYROLL #10	\$ 5,735.39
34099	AFTON STAR	GEN- PUBLICATIONS	\$ 575.28
34100	BOMGAARS	RU- CLEANING SUPPLIES SHOP	\$ 37.23
34101	BRETT STREET POWER WASHING	GEN- WINDOW WASHING	\$ 65.00
34102	BRIAN DAVID	GEN-BURIAL	\$ 350.00
34103	BROWN TRUCK LEASING CORP	RU- DUMP TRUCK REPAIR	\$ 437.54
34104	CRYSTAL THOMAS	ELEC- MILEAGE RE-IMBURSMENT	\$ 110.60

34105	FATENAL	GEN- OFFICE SUPPLY	\$ 50.00
34106	FLYNN ELECTRICAL	ELEC-	\$ 1,750.00
34107	HOMETOWN INS	GEN/SR/ELEC- INSURANCE EXPENSE	\$ 69,077.10
34108	INNOVATIVE	GEN- COM. CENTER CLEANING	\$ 90.00
34109	JIM'S SANITATION	GEN- GARBAGE	\$ 6,088.57
34110	MADISON NATIONAL LIFE	EMP.BEN/SR/ELEC/RU- LIFE INSURANCE	\$ 48.25
34111	MEGGEN WEEKS PLC	GEN- LEGAL SERVICES	\$ 220.00
34112	MID AMERICAN ENGERY	GEN/SR- GAS	\$ 78.48
34113	NEW COOP	GEN/RU/SR-FUEL/GAS/PROPANE	\$ 608.82
34114	QUILL CORP	GEN/REC- JANITORIAL SUPPLIES	\$ 266.42
34115	RJ'S PORTABLES	REC- PORTABLE TOILETS	\$ 500.00
34116	SCHILDBERG CONST.	GEN- STREETS- ROCK	\$ 347.83
34117	STATE HYGIENIC LAB	SR- LAGOON TESTING	\$ 61.00
34118	SW IOWA REC	REC- REC FIELD	\$ 80.00
34119	TINA SONGER	MTR DEP- DEPOSIT REFUND	\$ 120.00
34120	USIC LOCATING	ELEC- LOCATES	\$ 365.14
34121	ZIEGLER INC	RU- REPAIR	\$ 439.07
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 173,307.12</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>		<b>Receipts</b>	
GENERAL	\$69,193.00	GENERAL	\$80,204.48
ROAD USE	\$1,124.69	ROAD USE	\$10,226.32
EMPLOYEE BEN	\$5,451.35	EMPLOYEE BEN	\$8,733.47
ECON DEVELOPMENT	\$5,500	LOST	\$11,154.43
REC	\$3,598.56	REC	\$6,095.00
SEWER	\$6,295.62	PERP CARE	\$375.00
ELECTRIC	\$66,869.86	SEWER	\$6,724.71
METER DEPOSIT	\$120.00	SEWER SINKING	\$3,100.84
		ELEC	\$69,841.73
PAYROLL/MAYOR/COUNCIL	\$15,154.04	ELEC SINKING	\$13,688.50
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$173,307.12</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$210,144.48</b>

**Public Forum:** No comments.

#### **ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING/RESOLUTIONS:**

**2025-14** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY CLERK TO MAKE THE APPROPRIATE INTERFUND TRANSFER OF SUMS AND RECORD THE SAME IN THE APPROPRIATE MANNER FOR FY 2025 FOR THE CITY OF AFTON, IOWA. Parham made a motion to approve resolution 2025-14. Burger seconded the motion. Cunningham, Kinyon, Burger, Nixon, and Parham all vote aye. Motion carried.

#### **Old Business:**

Update on nuisance properties; Police Chief McGuire has been serving red tags for yards not being mowed, grass clippings in the street, pets not licensed, junk in yards & junk vehicles. The deadline for 400 E Kansas property to clean up per court order is May 16<sup>th</sup>. The owner has cleaned up some of the items per the court order. There was discussion about the burnouts on HWY 169 on May 5<sup>th</sup> and alcohol in the community center and the park on the same date. Chief McGuire was training out of town on May 5<sup>th</sup>. County Sherriff department

was dispatched. Cameras in the City were reviewed by Chief McGuire & he is taking action. Discussion continued about posting signage in the park regarding the alcohol ordinance for the City of Afton. No motions were made.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Shelene Kelley asked if the Junior Class Can Trailer could stay at its current location. Cunningham made a motion to approve the request for the Junior Class Can Trailer to stay at its current location. Kinyon seconded the motion. All vote aye. Motion carried.

The city received 3 livestock permits since the previous meeting. Zach and Devon Springer for chickens, Sheryl Parham for chickens, and Richard Siddens for cattle. Some members of council questioned if Siddens even needed a permit due to location/zoning. There was question if his property was zoned Agriculture or not. Kinyon made a motion to table Siddens's application until the ordinance could be reviewed in detail. Nixon seconded the motion. All voted aye motion carried.

Kinyon made a motion to approve Springer's application. Nixon seconded. Cunningham, Parham, Nixon, & Kinyon all vote aye. Burger abstained. Motion carried.

Cunningham made a motion to approve Parham's application. Burger seconded. Cunningham, Nixon, Burger & Kinyon all vote aye. Parham abstained. Motion carried.

Shawn & Rosie Miller, Barry & Tina Willets, and Sara Weis were all previously selected as grant recipients for the Exterior Beautification Grant for FY 25. Applicants provided pictures, copies of bills, and payments for the project. Nixon made a motion to approve the grant payment to each applicant for \$500. Parham seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried. There was discussion on how many applicants have not completed their projects. The city clerk has sent letters and left voicemails to the last 3 applicants regarding the deadline. Council asked the city clerk to reach out to the applicants on the waiting list.

The City of Afton received 3 applications for the Exterior Beautification grant FY26. Cunningham made a motion to approve K'Lea Johnson's application for up to \$500. Burger seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carries. Nixon made a motion to approve Roger Lopez's application for up to \$500. All voted aye. Motion carried. Nixon made a motion to deny Doug Pettit's application due to receiving grant funds in FY 25. Parham seconded the motion. All voted aye motion carried.

The City of Afton received 1 Downtown Façade application for FY26. There was discussion for clarification of information on the application. Nixon made a motion to table approving the application until more information is available. Parham seconded the motion. All voted aye motion carried.

Getting' Slushed South of 35 dba Lucky Wife Wine Slushies has requested Short Term agreement for Tuesday night in the park for her alcohol permit. When applying for an alcohol permit for an event the Alcohol and Beverage Division requires a lease agreement to be included in the permit process. Nixon made a motion to approve the short-term agreement, on the condition that Getting' Slushed South of 35 dba Lucky Wife Wine Slushies complete all the ABD paperwork for the alcohol licensing/permit for the event dates specified. Burger seconded the motion. Kinyon, Burger, Nixon, and Cunningham all voted aye. Parham opposed. Motion carried.

Afton Community Club requested road closure for street dance on Saturday, June 28<sup>th</sup> from 8am to 12am, on E Kansas from The Roost to 201 E Kansas St. Nixon made a motion to approve the request for the street closure for the street dance. Parham seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried. Afton Community Club also requested additional street closure on the square for June 24<sup>th</sup> from 5pm to 8 pm for Tuesday night in the park. There will be a conservation activity for kids. This discussion was tabled until the June council meeting.

Afton Lion's Club request for street closures around square for Pre-4<sup>th</sup> June 29, 2025 Railroad/Webster/Kansas streets. Kinyon made a motion to close the streets around square for Pre-4<sup>th</sup> June 29, 2025 Railroad/Webster/Kansas. Burger seconded the motion. All vote aye. Motion carried.

Burger made a motion to approve Casey's Tobacco permit renewal 7/1/25-6/30/26. Cunningham seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Nixon made a motion to approve the Afton Housing Commission Appointment Vicki Paulus. Burger seconded the motion. All vote aye. Motion carried.

Parham made a motion to approve the Planning and Zoning Appointment Zach Springer. Kinyon seconded the motion. Cunningham. Parham, Nixon, Kinyon all voted aye. Burger abstained.

Nixon made a motion to approve Rec Board appointment Jake Roan. Cunningham seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Greenlawn Cemetery board is planning to do the following repair/maintenance projects for FY25: More gravel for the driveway/parking, 4 new benches to replace existing benches, spread grass seed on grave or bare ground, order approximately 25 new flags, and spend approximately \$3,500-\$4,000 for trimming trees on the west fence line.

The City of Afton was awarded a \$4,000 grant from SCICF for a speed sign.

Mayor Burger signed a Proclamation for National Garden Week June 1-7, 2025.

The refrigerator at the Afton Community Center was not working properly and needed replaced. The refrigerator was replaced and installed on 5/13/25.

Updates from Committees:

Fire- no new updates.

Rec Board- Looking into MidAmerican & conservation grants for playground equipment in the city park.

Landfill- waiting for new trailers to arrive. Discussing building a new building using the tornado funds.

EMC- Duckworth has turned in her resignation. EMC plans to interview in June and make a selection by July 1<sup>st</sup>.

Nixon made a motion to adjourn. Parham seconded. All vote aye. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:33 pm.

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Michelle Burger, Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Kayla Lacina, City Clerk