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Council Proceedings
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A regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Atkinson, Nebraska, was held in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building at 104 S. Main Street, Atkinson, Nebraska on the 9th day of December, 2024 at 7:30 o'clock p.m. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Erickson. On roll call the following were present: Chuck Asher, Ron Krysl, Helen Olson, Ken Counts, Jerry Osborne, Scott Shane. City Attorney, Michael Sholes, and City Clerk, Shelly Wieneke also present.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication in the Atkinson Graphic, Atkinson, Nebraska as shown by the affidavit of publication. Notice of the meeting was simultaneously given to the Mayor and all members of the City Council and a copy of their acknowledgement of receipt of notice and the agenda is attached to these minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Mayor and Council of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Mayor Erickson publicly stated to all in attendance that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available for review and indicated that the poster was on display on the east wall.

Moved by Osborne, seconded by Asher to approve the minutes of the November 4th meeting. RCV: Ayes: Asher, Krysl, Olson, Counts, Osborne, Shane. Nay: None. Motion Carried.

Treasurer's Report for November was discussed and placed on file.

The council acknowledged receipt of the November minutes of the Library, Elkhorn Meadows, Airport, RC&D, and the Union Street Duplex Financial Report.

Moved by Asher, seconded by Olson to approve the delinquent utilities report in the amount of \$805.57. RCV: Ayes: Krysl, Olson, Counts, Osborne, Shane, Asher. Nay: None. Motion Carried.

Moved by Asher, seconded by Krysl to approve all the claims as prepared. RCV: Ayes: Olson, Counts, Osborne, Shane, Asher, Krysl. Nay: None. Motion Carried

Mayor Erickson thanked Councilman, Ken Counts, for completing the term of Riley Olson, who resigned December 6, 2023.

City Attorney, Michael Sholes, gave the Oath of Office to Leo Seger, Chuck Asher, and Jerry Osborne as Councilmembers

Moved by Asher, seconded by Krysl to elect Leo Seger as Council President. RCV: Ayes: Osborne, Shane, Asher, Krysl, Olson. Nay: None. Abstain: Seger. Motion Carried

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Moved by Osborne, seconded by Shane that the Mayor is the Chairperson, and the Council President is the Vice-Chairperson of the Community Development Agency of the City of Atkinson. RCV: Ayes: Osborne, Shane, Asher, Krysl, Olson. Nay: None. Abstain: Seger. Motion Carried.

The Mayor presented the following appointments for approval:

City Attorney	Michael Sholes
City Clerk-Treasurer	Shelly Wieneke
Police Chief	Jimmy Collins
Utilities Superintendent	Gary Thurlow
Economic Development	Cheye Young
City Street Superintendent	Reed Miller
City Engineer	Miller & Associates
City Physician	John Tubbs, MD
Building Permit Inspector	Gary Thurlow

Moved by Asher, seconded by Olson to approve the Mayor's appointments. RCV: Ayes: Shane, Asher, Krysl, Olson, Seger, Osborne. Nay: None. Motion Carried.

City Clerk, Shelly Wieneke, asked the council to consider changing the city's accounting software to Power Manager from Simple City (GWorks). Last year's support bill for Simple City was \$8,118.00 for three users and the software invoice for this year is \$12,000.00 for the same three users. Simple City is also wanting all municipalities to move to their new software program which they are having some problems with in towns that have already made the switch. Power Manager would have an initial installation fee of \$12,975.00 but would only be \$7,100 a year for three users. The switch to Power Manager cannot happen until the new budget year as Simple City will not prorate our support for the months needed until Power Manager could be up and running. The council asked Shelly to continue to look into the new software.

Moved by Seger, seconded by Osborne to approve a building permit for Dennis Gentele for a 20' x 20' x 10' wood/metal building at 47424 877th Road. RCV: Ayes: Asher, Krysl, Olson, Seger, Osborne, Shane. Nay: None. Motion Carried.

Moved by Osborne, seconded by Shane to approve a building permit for Shannon Alder for a 40' x 54' x 12' wood frame structure at 1201 North Wixon Street. RCV: Ayes: Krysl, Olson, Seger, Osborne, Shane, Asher. Nay: None. Motion Carried.

Moved by Asher, seconded by Seger to approve the Highway 20 Law Enforcement Interlocal Agreement. RCV: Ayes: Olson, Seger, Osborne, Shane, Asher, Krysl. Nay: None. Motion Carried.

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Economic Development Director, Cheye Young, presented the LB840 Citizens Advisory Review Committee Semi-Annual Report. Cheye stated the income received was \$177,297.65 and expenses approved totaled \$179,541.66 which leaves a balance of \$731,039.23 in the LB840 account and that the committee found that all the expenses are allowable within the program guidelines. Moved by Olson, seconded by Asher to approve the Citizens Advisory Review Committee report on the LB840 program as presented. RCV: Ayes: Seger, Osborne, Shane, Asher, Krysl, Olson. Nay: None. Motion Carried.

Moved by Osborne, seconded by Olson to approve longevity pay as recommended by the personnel committee. RCV: Ayes: Osborne, Shane, Asher, Krysl, Olson, Seger. Nay: None. Motion Carried.

Employee Appreciation Dinner will be held Saturday, January 18, 2025 at the Atkinson-Stuart Country Club with the Social Hour starting at 5:30 p.m. and the meal at 6:30 p.m.

Moved by Seger, seconded by Asher to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m. RCV: Ayes: Shane, Asher, Krysl, Olson, Seger, Osborne. Nay: None. Motion Carried.

Claims:

AFLAC	Fee	341.44
AGLAND ELECTRIC	Repair	219.48
AMERITAS INSURANCE	414h	3,246.56
ATKINSON GRAPHIC	Fee	216.06
ATKINSON LUMBER	Supplies	5,253.78
BAKER & TAYLOR	Books	207.64
BRAUN'S FOOD CENTER	Supplies	144.32
C O ENTERPRISES	Supplies	129.92
CITY OF ATKINSON	PR Funds to TCB	25,949.50
G WORKS	Fee	12,000.00
FIRST STOP	Fuel	548.24
ONE CALL CONCEPTS, INC.	Locate Fee	16.34
HAGAN JUDY	Reimbursement	3,874.42
JACK'S UNIFORMS	Supplies	206.84
K L & S INC	Supplies	8.24
WM. KROTTER CO.	Supplies	126.81
L N M-UTILITIES SECTION	Fee	900.00
METL SANDBLASTING	Repair	21,888.00
MIDWEST LAB	Fee	892.22
MITCHELL EQUIPMENT	Repair	7.24
N P P D	Fee	8,299.80
NE PHE LAB	Fee	63.00
NE REVENUE DEPT	Sales/Use Tax	3,492.23
OSBORNE CONSTRUCTION	Repair	1,725.00

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PETTY CASH	Postage	7.95
POST OFFICE	Fee	345.04
NIORARA VALLEY ELEC REA	Fee	122.58
STUART CONCRETE	Repair	1,190.00
TEAM LABORATORY	Supplies	1,444.50
THURLOW, GARY	Reimbursement	312.28
TRI-COUNTY BANK	Solar Panel Payment	17,552.32
TRIPLE R TIRE	Backhoe-Tires	1,971.32
VERIZON WIRELESS	Fee	206.66
WELSH WELDING & REPAIR	Repair	113.81
WHITES SERVICE	Fuel	841.63
ZISKA CHERYL	Reimbursement	1,212.73
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX	9,700.00
SLAYMAKER HEATING & AIR	Repair	323.93
GREAT AMERICA LEASING	Copier Lease	185.00
COLONIAL LIFE	Dental Insurance	744.76
WETTLAUER LANDSCAPES	Supplies	36.78
GREAT PLAINS COMM	Fee	362.58
JOHNSON SERVICE	Pumping SAM tanks	9,750.00
SIX STAR SANITATION	Dumpster	13,899.25
HARTFORD	Life Insurance	47.70
LINCOLN NATL LIFE INSURE	LTD	116.79
MILLER & ASSOCIATES	Water Project Fees	975.45
UNITED HEALTHCARE	Health Insurance	8,008.71
FIX, RYAN	Repair	2,033.89
ONE OFFICE SOLUTION	Supplies	252.33
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	Fee	881.81
CORE & MAIN	Supplies	1,681.31
NE CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENTS	GARNISHMENT	184.70
NE GENERATOR SERVICE	Repair	2,270.00
VISA-TCB	Supplies	1,533.20
GOTSCHALL & SHOLES PC	Fee	760.50
FIRST INTERSTATE BANK	Bond Payment	27,560.21
MASTERCARD	Supplies	616.28
NE DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION	Junkyard Permit	50.00
AT&T MOBILITY	Cell phone	83.52
NAPA AUTO PARTS-CO ENTERP	Supplies	38.92
ALLO BUSINESS	Fee	84.00
DEPOSIT REFUNDS	REFUND DATE 11/25/2024	15.53
PAYROLL CHECKS	PAYROLL CKS 11/15/2024	18,345.36
PAYROLL CHECKS	PAYROLL CKS 11/29/2024	16,244.27
	CLAIMS TOTAL	231,864.68

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Josh Erickson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Shelly Wieneke
City Clerk/Treasurer

I, the undersigned City Clerk/Treasurer for the City of Atkinson, Nebraska, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of proceedings had and done by the Mayor and Council December 9, 2024; that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and readily available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to said meeting; that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by members of the public; that the said minutes were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of the said body; that all new media requesting notification concerning meeting of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting.

City Clerk/Treasurer

