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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 7th day of April, 2025 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, Leo Seger, Scott Shane. City Attorney, Michael Sholes and City Clerk, Shelly Wieneke. Absent: Jerry Osborne

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 Olson, seconded by Seger to approve the minutes of the March 3rd meeting. RCV: Ayes: Asher, Krysl, Olson, Seger, Shane. Nay: None. Absent and not voting: Osborne. Motion Carried.

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

The council acknowledged receipt of the March minutes of the Library, Elkhorn Meadows, HCED, Airport and the Union Street Duplex Financial Report.

Moved by Seger, seconded by Asher to approve releasing the city's subordinate lien on Hoskinson LLC to Nebraska Bank. The city would then assume second position on the lien. As reported by Cheye Young, Economic Development Director, Hoskinson has refinanced their loan with Nebraska Bank and the City usually has second position on the lien for LB840 loans. RCV: Ayes: Krysl, Olson, Seger, Shane, Asher. Nay: None. Absent and not voting: Osborne. Motion Carried.

Moved by Asher, seconded by Olson to approve the reappointment of Barb Schroeder to the Planning and Zoning Commission. RCV: Ayes: Olson, Seger, Shane, Asher, Krysl. Nay: None. Absent and not voting: Osborne. Motion Carried.

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Moved by Olson, seconded by Seger to approve the reappointment of Darrell Smith to the Planning and Zoning Commission. RCV: Ayes: Seger, Shane, Asher, Krysl, Olson. Nay: None. Absent and not voting: Osborne. Motion Carried.

Bev McConnell was present to discuss Hay Days which will be held August 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, and 17<sup>th</sup>. The Coronation Dance will once again be held downtown on Friday, August 15<sup>th</sup> and the Ranch Rodeo will be held on Friday, August 15<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, August 16<sup>th</sup>. Bev asked the council if they would consider no parking on both sides of the street along the parade route so that the bigger equipment that is in the parade is able to easily maneuver. Further discussion on this will be needed as they do not want to discourage the people who are unable to walk a distance to the downtown area to see the parade from attending. Certificates of Insurance will be brought to the city office for events that are being held on city owned property.

Moved by Olson, seconded by Shane to approve a building permit for Braydon Olson for an 18' x 21' x 8' steel building at 406 East Pearl Street. RCV: Ayes: Shane, Asher, Krysl, Seger. Nay: None. Abstain: Helen Olson. Absent and not voting: Osborne. Motion Carried.

Moved by Krysl, seconded by Asher to approve a building permit for Larry Poessnecker for a 12' x 40' x 8' wood frame garage at 711 East State Street. RCV: Ayes: Shane, Asher, Krysl, Olson, Seger. Nay: None. Absent and not voting: Osborne. Motion Carried.

Moved by Krysl, seconded by Shane to approve LB840-153, a Property Improvement Grant for Cahoy's General Store LLC DBA Mighty MoJo in the amount of \$5,000.00 for signage at 102 North Hyde Street. RCV: Ayes: Asher, Krysl, Olson, Seger, Shane. Nay: None. Absent and not voting: Osborne. Motion Carried

Moved by Asher, seconded by Olson to approve LB840-154, a business loan for Cahoy's General Store LLC DBA Mighty MoJo in the amount of \$45,000.00 at 4% for fifteen years for building remodel and construction costs at 102 North Hyde Street. RCV: Ayes: Krysl, Olson, Seger, Shane, Asher. Nay: None. Absent and not voting: Osborne. Motion Carried

Moved by Seger, seconded by Krysl to approve LB840-155, a business loan for Curly's LLC DBA Curly's Firearms in the amount of \$50,000.00 at 4% for fifteen years for building remodel and construction at 103 East State Street. RCV: Ayes: Olson, Seger, Shane, Asher, Krysl. Nay: None. Absent and not voting: Osborne. Motion Carried

The Grasshopper mower is remaining for sale and the Hustler Fastrak sold almost immediately after listed. It was decided to drop the price of the Grasshopper from \$4,500.00 to \$3,500.00.

Discussion of a future duplex project for the City of Atkinson was discussed. Cheye Young, Economic Director, stated that land would have to be purchased and be shovel ready for

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grants to be applied for. Cheye feels that there will be grants available soon to help assist in a project and that having our housing study done and a lot ready will be important. The council agreed that we should start the process of looking for a lot suitable for a project and once found start the process of purchasing the lot.

Discussion was held on the condition of North Main Street from Highway 20 to West Holt Schools. The street has been on the One- and Six-year Street Plan for several years now and Shelly Wieneke, City Clerk, asked the council if they were ready to proceed with the beginning stages of completing the project. This project would need to be bonded and will be a longer process to complete. The question was raised as to whether they wanted to add any other streets such as North Carberry from the Cowboy Trail to Highway 20. It was noted that Miller and Associates were just in town to look at a couple of other places in town that need repair. The council agreed that they would like to start the process of beginning the project.

Discussion of overtime for city employees was brought up. Ron Krysl stated that he had a couple of city utility employees approach him about when overtime was allowed. The council agreed that nothing had changed regarding overtime since the discussion was held with the maintenance department, in which Gary Thurlow, Utilities Supervisor, and Travis Schmitz, Utility Department Employee, were present for in January of 2022. Overtime is only allowed in emergency situations such as snow removal. If possible, time should try to be taken off within the same week so that overtime can be avoided. Overtime is only compensated at time and a half over 40 hours worked in a week, and unless an emergency comes up, it should be avoided.

Future topics for "Cops Corner" was brought up by Ron Krysl. He would like to see it continue, but to discuss topics of City and State law. Chuck Asher informed the council that this had been discussed with Jimmy Collins, Chief of Police, by members of the Personnel Committee and Mayor Erickson.

Moved by Asher, seconded by Krysl to approve the delinquent utilities report in the amount of \$908.19. RCV: Ayes: Seger, Shane, Asher, Krysl, Olson. Nay: None. Absent and not voting: Osborne. Motion Carried.

Moved by Seger, seconded by Olson to approve the claim from Great Plains Small Engine for \$8,281.29. RCV: Seger, Shane, Krysl, Olson. Nay: None. Abstain: Asher. Absent and not voting: Osborne. Motion Carried.

Moved by Krysl, seconded by Asher to approve the claims as prepared. RCV: Ayes: Shane, Asher, Krysl, Olson, Seger. Nay: None. Absent and not voting: Osborne. Motion Carried.

Moved by Seger, seconded by Asher to go into Executive Session at 8:43 p.m. to protect the reputation and prevent needless injury to the employee's reputation to discuss disability pay.

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RCV: Ayes: Asher, Krysl, Olson, Seger, Shane. Nay: None. Absent and not voting: Osborne.  
Motion Carried.

Moved by Seger, seconded by Olson to come out of executive session at 8:59 p.m.

RCV: Ayes: Krysl, Olson, Seger, Shane, Asher. Nay: None. Absent and not voting: Osborne.  
Motion Carried.

Moved by Seger, seconded by Shane to adjourn the meeting at 9:02 p.m. RCV: Ayes:  
Asher, Krysl, Olson, Seger, Shane. Nay: None. Absent and not voting: Osborne. Motion Carried.

Claims:

AFLAC	Fee	341.44
AMERITAS INSURANCE	Fee	5,956.60
ATKINSON GRAPHIC	Fee	268.81
ATKINSON LUMBER	Supplies	2,619.83
BAKER & TAYLOR	Books	827.47
BRAUN'S FOOD CENTER	Supplies	152.07
C O ENTERPRISES	Supplies	700.60
CITY OF ATKINSON	PR Funds to TCB	36,620.00
CORNHUSKER HOTEL	Fee	448.00
FIRST STOP	Fuel	950.30
GOEKE R F VARIE	Supplies	42.78
ONE CALL CONCEPTS, INC.	Locate Fee	12.18
GREAT PLAINS SMALL ENGINE	New Mower/Parts	8,281.29
HAGAN JUDY	Reimbursement	1,119.62
HOLT COUNTY TREASURER	1st Half RE Taxes	190.04
JACK'S UNIFORMS	Uniforms	12.95
K L & S INC	Repair	1,478.13
KRAMER MFG. INC.	Supplies	95.00
WM. KROTTER CO.	Supplies	474.80
LEADING EDGE	Supplies	1,108.89
MIDWEST LAB	Fee	297.15
MITCHELL EQUIPMENT	Supplies	243.63
N P P D	Electric Fee	5,859.09
NE PHE LAB	Fee	49.00
NE REVENUE DEPT	Sales/Use Tax	2,555.00
POST OFFICE	Fee	342.42
NIOBRARA VALLEY ELEC REA	Electric Fee	112.45
SARGENT DRILLING	Fee	1,050.00
TEAM LABORATORY	Supplies	3,420.00
THURLOW, GARY	Reimbursement	297.08
TRIPLE R TIRE	Repair	1,410.21
USA BLUE BOOK	Supplies	324.09
WELSH WELDING & REPAIR	Repair	360.00

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WHITES SERVICE	Fuel	1,757.45
ZISKA CHERYL	Reimbursement	1,389.99
ZISKA CONSTRUCTION	Repair	85.00
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX	15,270.13
GREAT AMERICA LEASING	Sharp copier lease	185.00
FAIRFIELD INN	Fee	245.90
COLONIAL LIFE	Dental Insurance	1,150.46
GREAT PLAINS COMM.	Telephone/Internet	401.95
SIX STAR SANITATION	Garbage Fee	14,138.50
HARTFORD	Life Insurance	53.59
LINCOLN NATL LIFE INSURE	LTD	147.93
VILLAGE OF STUART	Repair	516.92
MILLER & ASSOCIATES	Permit Renewal	595.00
UNITED HEALTHCARE	Health Insurance	14,559.75
FIX, RYAN	Repair	149.79
ONE OFFICE SOLUTION	Supplies	103.01
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	Heat	2,571.16
K & M K-LAWN LLC	Repair	1,739.69
CORE & MAIN	Supplies	1,378.20
NE CHILD SUPPORT	Fee	369.40
HEARTLAND FIRE PROTECTION	Repair	521.75
ONSOLVE, LLC	Code Red	2,167.23
MACQUEEN EQUIPMENT	Supplies	207.14
ADVANTAGE ARCHIVES, LLC	Fee	350.00
OLSON REPAIR	Repair	23,296.90
NE GENERATOR SERVICE	Repair	1,722.47
VISA-TCB	Supplies	1,771.89
N D E E SWIMMING POOLS	Swimming Pool License	40.00
GOTSCHALL & SHOLES PC	Fee	565.50
MASTERCARD	Supplies	238.36
COUNTRY EMBROIDERY	Supplies	24.00
VOGEL GRAIN+, LLC	Snow Removal	750.00
KRIEGER KORBY	Reimbursement	628.10
NEBRASKA STATE PATROL	Mach/Tracs Licenses	187.00
MOON SERVICES	Heater Repair	127.50
AT&T MOBILITY	Fee	444.64
ALLO BUSINESS	Fee	134.00
DAS STATE ACCTG-CENTRAL F	State Radio Subscription	22.00
SCHIMBERG CO.	Repair	867.35
AINSWORTH MOTORS	Repair	250.50
QUILL CORPORATION	Supplies	80.37
SOUTH SIOUX CITY MARRIOTT	Fee	550.00
DEPOSIT REFUNDS	REFUND DATE 3/24/2025	75.00

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PAYROLL CHECKS	PAYROLL CKS 3/7/2025	19,199.98
PAYROLL CHECKS	PAYROLL CKS 3/21/2025	16,540.99
PAYROLL CHECKS	PAYROLL CKS ON 4/4/2025	<u>19,558.76</u>
	CLAIMS TOTAL	225,151.17

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Josh Erickson, Mayor

ATTEST:

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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, April 7, 2025; 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.

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City Clerk/Treasurer

