

Present: Glass, P. Schmitt, K. Schmitt, Schneider. Lori Schroeder was appointed to fill a vacancy.
Absent: None.

Mayor Paul Herold called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Ron Franzen informed the Mayor and Council the fire department will be applying for a Winneshiek County Foundation Grant to help fund six sets of bunker gear. He also noted the Friends of Fort Atkinson is also applying for a Winneshiek County Foundation Grant for additional walking brochures for "The Fort Preserve".

Myles Kupka explained Fort Atkinson's Historic Preservation Commission and what it involves. Kupka noted there needs to be five commission members to keep it active. With the passing of Art Huber along with LuAnne Becker, Al Becker, Myles Kupka, and Marie Riha terms expiring, additional members are needed to service. Current commission members; Mary Moser and Ron Franzen terms expire 12/31/2016. Following discussion, K. Schmitt made a motion appointing Jay Schwamman and re-appointing Marie Riha and Myles Kupka each to a three year term (1/1/2016 to 12/31/2018) to the Fort Atkinson Historic Preservation Commission, seconded by Schneider, carried.

Greg Barta reported he believes there is a water leak but has not been able to locate it.

Motion by Glass to approve the following consent items: December 1, 2015 council minutes, clerk's reports, and monthly bills, seconded by K. Schmitt, carried

Schneider made a motion to appoint Lori Schroeder to fill a council seat vacancy created by Michele Elsbernd's resignation, seconded by P. Schmitt, carried. Where immediately thereafter, Schroeder was sworn into office.

It was the consensus of the Council the Calmar Courier will remain the official newspaper of the City of Fort Atkinson

Glass made a motion recommending the City renew the current health insurance plan, myBlueHSA Gold 2000 PPOGold, for the city's full-time employee. Renewal effective 2/1/2016, seconded by Schneider, carried.

Joyce Bakewell submitted a letter of resignation from her position as city clerk to be effective 6/30/2016..

There was a general discussion regarding the FY17 Budget and included: loan payments, property maintenance, computer replacement, equipment maintenance, street repairs, web-site improvements, library budget, etc. Further consideration of the FY17 Budget will be made at the February 3, 2016 council meeting.

A request for a handicapped parking space was tabled so the matter can be further reviewed.

Schneider explained there is a group of individuals from the area communities discussing the possibility of creating a multi-community recreational department for youth and adult programs. Funds would be pooled to have one recreational director who would manage and organize activities for all the small communities involved. Schneider noted the planning is in the early stages and more information may be presented at the February 1, 2016 council meeting.

Schneider made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Glass, carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Attest: _____
City Clerk

Mayor

December 2015 Expenses

Acentek-phone/internet charges	450.52	Center Point Large Print-library books	172.69	IROC-website services	80.00
Aflac-employee deduction	165.84	City Laundering-services	220.63	Joyce Bakewell-mileage reimb	208.67
Alliant Energy-electric utilities	5033.01	Collection Service Ctr-employ.deduct.	990.00	Junior Library Guild-book subscription	396.00
Anderson Law Firm-legal fees	2758.00	Data Technologies-software services	1471.18	Keystone Lab-lab fees	235.00
Baker & Taylor-library books	297.89	Don Dilaura-mtgs reimb.	289.80	Luana Savings Bank-h.s.a.pymt & fees	310.00
Becker Hardware-services & repair	1360.59	Fayette Publishing-publication fee	94.12	Luana Savings Bank-interest pymt	994.58
Beckmans Ace Hardware-misc supp	30.92	Hach Company-operating supplies	1867.51	Malcom Enterprises-garbage service	5027.25
Black Hills Energy-gas utilities	557.92	Hawkins-operating supplies	425.00	MARC-operating supplies	198.54
Bushman Insurance-employee bond	114.00	IA Division of Labor-boiler permits	200.00	Marvin Meyer-mtg reimb	48.30
Cardmember Service-library supp.	138.04	IA Rural Water Assoc.-member dues	225.00	Midwest Tape-library videos	87.10
Casey's-vehicle operations	243.15	IPERS-Dec. lpers	2212.08	Mracek Plbg&Htg-repair	340.00

Regular Meeting
January 6, 2016

Municipal Supply-repair	1065.00	General	25750.60		Total	71682.90	
Post Office-postage	148.05	Road Use	2999.39				
Ossian Library-petty cash	74.43	Employee Benefits	842.57		2015 Wages		
Postville Vet Clinic-UPS chgs	67.50	Debt Service	994.58		Joyce Bakewell	42112.00	
Reilly Const-repair	1450.00	Water	13076.29		Thomas Bushman	315.00	
Riley's-supplies	30.00	Sewer	7581.36		Charles Covell	1920.00	
IRS-Dec Federal deposit	4597.23			Total	Don Dilaura	55146.05	
Taste of Home-library book	31.98				Mitchell Holthaus	420.00	
Treas. State of Iowa- 4th qtr state taxes	2832.00	December 2015 Receipts			Dan Langreck	420.00	
U.S. Cellular-phones & services	94.91	General	24999.13		Sarah McGee	4926.16	
Wellmark-insurance premium	1824.90	Road Use Tax	9117.73		Earl Meyer	280.00	
Westrum Leak Detection-services	687.50	Employee Benefits	2377.33		Marvin Meyer	385.00	
Ziegler Inc-operating supplies	22.98	Emergency	396.63		Julie Schildmeyer	101.75	
December payroll	11074.98	Local Option Tax	8163.50		Randall Timp	5710.50	
	51244.79	Library Trust	100.00		Brian Zweibohmer	48329.03	
December 2015 Expenses by Fund		Debt Service	2431.98		Judyth Zweibohmer	20466.27	
		Water	11237.87			Total	180531.76
		Sewer	12858.73				