

Present: Glass, Karnik, Elsbernd, Schmitt, Schneider.
Absent: None.

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

Greg Barta presented an estimate to the Mayor and Council to replace an air conditioner at the community center and further discussed air conditioning needs for the building. It was concluded funding options will need to be explored before committing to the project.

Ron Franzen told the Mayor and Council he is still working with Med Compass trying to get an adjustment on their billing charges. This is the company who performed physicals in December for the fire department, The fire department feels the services provided by the company were sub-standard.

Motion by Schneider to approve the following consent items: May 6, 2015 council minutes, clerk's reports, and monthly bills, seconded by Glass, carried.

Schneider made a motion to accept the offer submitted by John's Repair to purchase the City's old street sweeper for \$1,000.00, seconded by Elsbernd, carried.

Glass motioned to approve Cigarette Permits, to be effective July 1, 2015 thru June 30, 2016, for Huber's Store, Lickety Split Convenience Store, Woody's Bar & Grill and The Fort, seconded by Schneider, carried with Karnik abstaining.

Elsbernd made a motion to approve Huber's Store Class E Liquor/Beer/Wine/Sunday Sales Permit renewal, seconded by Schmitt, carried.

Funding for the Sewage Lift Station Replacement project was discussed. Several area banks will be contacted seeking interest rate quotes.

The Council reviewed an estimate to replace a section of curb and gutter and concluded there were no funds available to do so. It was noted Road Use money barely funds street repairs so at this time curb and gutter is not a priority.

The Mayor and Council discussed the opportunity available to Iowa cities to implement a franchise fee on residents electric utility bills. If a franchise fee is implemented, the local option tax on the utility bill is removed (the local option tax is still collected by other retail sales inside the City). By swapping a franchise fee for the local option tax on the electric bill, the City keeps 100% of the revenue collected from the electric customers located inside the City. Unlike local option tax revenue which gets distributed to entities county wide. With limited opportunities for funding sources it was the consensus of the Council this would be an opportunity to generate revenue for the City. Motion by Elsbernd to begin the process to implement a 5% franchise fee on each electric bill sent to customers located within the City of Fort Atkinson's corporate limits, seconded by Schmitt, carried.

The Council briefly discussed complaints concerning individuals mowing grass and blowing the grass clippings on the City's streets. They encourage this practice to stop as it can plug storm sewers and can make streets slippery, especially when wet.

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

Attest: _____
City Clerk

Mayor

May 2015 Expenses					
Acentek-phone service	243.14	Country Living-subscription	32.07	John Deer Financial-operating supplies	94.21
Alliant-elect utility	1414.93	Darin Barta-rental fee	35.00	Keith Lee-operating supplies	53.87
Anderson Wilmarth-legal services	84.00	David Huinker-tech services	350.00	Keystone Lab-lab fees	83.00
Baker & Taylor Co-library books	180.37	DNR-permits	120.00	Lee's Repair-equip.lease	337.50
Bank Iowa-hsa contribution	100.00	Flea Market Décor-subscription	17.95	Luana Savings Bank-loan pymt	24733.91
Beaver Creek Graphix-services	85.35	Fort Atkinson Rental-monthly rent	45.00	Mach 3 Enterprises-library services	300.00
Bruening Rock Products-rock	539.97	Franzen Sales & Serv-ups chgs	279.61	Marv Smith Elect.-repair	21.30
Mid America Publishing-publishing	228.48	Greg Barta-mtg reimb	15.38	Mediacom-internet service	55.30
Christina Bodensteiner-supp reimb	47.76	Hawkeye Sanitation-garbage service	2094.39	Mick Gage Plbg&Htg-restroom rental	472.00
IRS-May Fed deposit	1425.90	Hawkins Inc-operating supplies	228.25	US Post Office-postage	68.00
Citizen's Savings Bank-service fee	15.10	Hubers Store-supplies/repair	137.48	River City Paving-cold mix	391.04
City Laundering Co-supplies	153.45	IPERS-May IPERS	917.72	Roger Colberson-flower baskets	805.00
				SHE Inc-engineering services	3302.13

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June 3, 2015

The Penworthy Co.-library books	74.94
US Cellular-phone services	106.58
Wellmark-insurance	364.58
Winn Co. Engineer-salt & sand	887.70
May Payroll	4781.87
Total	45724.23
May 2015 Expenses by Fund	
General	10346.05
Road Use Tax	2821.94

Employee Benefits	464.58
Debt Service	24733.91
Capitol Project	3302.13
Water	2217.12
Sewer	1838.50
Total	45724.23
May 2015 Revenues	
General	7325.48
Library Trust	250.00

Road Use Tax	1386.50
Employee Benefits	529.35
Emergency Levy	101.05
Local Option Tax	2677.76
Debt Service	246.47
Water	5054.78
Sewer	5422.87
Total	22994.26