

Present: Glass, Schneiter, Schmitt, Elsbernd.  
Absent: None.  
Ron Franzen attended the meeting as an observer.

Mayor Paul Herold called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Greg Barta informed the Mayor and Council the City's work on the water tower has been completed. The interior was sand blasted and painted. Some minor repairs to the exterior were also made. Barta also reported there have been some unusual test results at the sewage lagoon. The DNR is working with Barta to find out what is causing the problem.

Motion by Schneiter to approve the following consent items: April 4, 2012 council minutes, clerk's reports, and monthly bills, seconded by Glass, carried

The Council reviewed the applicants for the summer part-time position. Glass made a motion to hire Raymond Lensing to fill the position, seconded by Schneiter, carried with Schmitt abstaining from the vote.

The Council held a general discussion concerning the hanging plant baskets being placed in the down town area; the number being hung, the device being made to water the plants, volunteers needed to water the plants and funding the purchase of the plants with donations were topics discussed.

Filling the council position left vacant due to the resignation of David Bulgren was discussed. Glass made a motion to appoint Kevin Karnik to fill the vacant council position, seconded by Schneiter, carried with Schmitt voting no.

Mayor Herold explained to the Council he and Greg met with a representative from the IDOT regarding the proposed Hwy 24 Overlay Project and how it may impact the City. Along with extending the overlay into the City's right of way, there is some repair work the City needs to do with a storm water intake and sidewalks. The City will be responsible for the cost of the overlay outside the center twenty-four feet of Hwy 24. A draft proposal of the agreement with the IDOT for the City's share of the project was reviewed.

Elsbernd made a motion introducing **Resolution #239**, a resolution setting a public hearing to consider vacation of a city alley and potential conveyance of city property, seconded by Schmitt.

The Mayor put the question on the motion and the following named Council members voted:

Ayes: Glass, Schneiter, Schmitt, Elsbernd.

Nays: None.

Whereupon the Mayor declared said motion carried and the resolution approved.

Mayor Herold explained how an area on the south side of 5<sup>th</sup> Street NW will benefit from a Right of Way Reversion and an Acquisition. Drawings were presented to help explain the situation. Elsbernd made a motion to proceed with the Right of Way Reversion and Acquisition process along 5<sup>th</sup> Street NW, seconded by Schneiter, carried.

It was noted the street maintenance budget for FY12/13 will be primarily expended for the City's costs associated with the Hwy 24 overlay project.

The Mayor and City Council discussed joining the Turkey River Watershed Management Authority. The Authority would work to assess and reduce the flood risks, improve water quality, flood mitigation and other issues promoting efficient use of the Turkey River Watershed. It was the consensus of the Council that being involved with the Turkey River Watershed Management Authority could be beneficial to the City and will plan to join. Paul Herold will act as the City of Fort Atkinson's Representative and David Schneiter will be the alternate.

Schmitt made a motion introducing **Resolution #240**, a resolution approving the City of Fort Atkinson's local match for the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program, seconded by Glass.

The Mayor put the question on the motion and the following named Council members voted:

Ayes: Glass, Schneiter, Schmitt, Elsbernd.

Nays: None.

Whereupon the Mayor declared said motion carried and the resolution approved.

Agenda items for the next meeting will include approval of Cigarette Permits.

Schneiter made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Glass, carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

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Mayor

<b>April 2012 Expenses</b>		service		<b>Total</b>	<b>31709.50</b>
Ace-phone service	182.82	Hubers Store-maint/operating supp.	139.49	<b>April 2012 Expenses by Fund</b>	
Alan Becker-reimbursement	11.11	IAMU-NISA dues & mtg fee	229.63	General	22490.29
Alliant-elect utility	1420.78	IPERS-April IPERS	671.97	Historic Preservation	11.11
Baker & Taylor-library books	129.97	Jean Franzen-reimbursement	40.00	Road Use	1316.90
Bruening Rock Products-rock	407.04	Joyce Bakewell-reimbursement	89.99	Employee Benefits	275.00
Bushman Ins.-insurance	14813.00	Keystone Lab-lab fees	10.50	Local Option	3359.08
Calmar Courier-publication	46.28	Kory Karnik-services	348.00	Water	2758.90
Chris Bodensteiner-reimb libr supp.	40.00	Krivachek Tree Farm-services	135.00	Sewer	1498.22
IRS-April fed deposit	1059.77	Lee's Repair-operating supplies	343.75	<b>Total</b>	<b>31709.50</b>
Decorah Newspapers-subscription	35.00	Lickety Split-vehicle fuel	558.26	<b>April 2012 Revenues</b>	
Demco-library supplies	111.83	Marco-library tech supplies	219.99	General	32773.53
Drilling All Season Sports-maint supp.	77.88	MD Materials Playgrounds-repair	160.19	Library Trust	10.00
Farmers Union Coop-operating supp	56.26	Mediacom-internet service	50.95	Road Use Tax	2381.78
Fort Atkinson Rentals-rental chg	45.00	Mick Gage Plbg/Htg-restroom rental	192.00	Historic Preservation	1200.00
Franzen Sales & Serv-equip. trade in	2000.00	US Post Office-postage	107.08	Employee Benefits	2626.81
Greg Barta-insur/mtg/supp reimburse	282.16	Reilly Const-services	362.50	Emergency	758.32
Gundersen Clinic-services	74.00	River City Paving-operating supplies	153.21	Local Option	2514.77
Hach Company-operating supplies	96.15	Treas. State of Iowa-1st qtr sales tax	943.00	Debt Service	2085.37
Hawkeye Sanitation-garbage	2082.96	US Cellular-phone services	80.37	Water	4431.53
		Upstart-library supplies	45.70	Sewer	4886.52
		April Payroll	3855.91	<b>Total</b>	<b>53668.63</b>