

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 5th 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 5th 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

Mayor

| April 2012 Expenses | | service | | Total | |
|--|----------|--|---------|------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Ace-phone service | 182.82 | Hubers Store-maint/operating supp. | 139.49 | April 2012 Expenses by Fund | 31709.50 |
| 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 | Total | 31709.50 |
| Decorah Newspapers-subscription | 35.00 | Lickety Split-vehicle fuel | 558.26 | April 2012 Revenues | |
| 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 | Total | 53668.63 |