

Present: Glass, P. Schmitt, Leuenberger, Schroeder, and K. Schmitt

Absent: None

Mayor Paul Herold called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. In light of recent federal and state agency warnings related to COVID-19, the City of Fort Atkinson felt it was best to conduct city council meeting electronically. This is permitted under Section 21.8 of the state code.

SEH Engineer Tom Madden joined via phone to update the projects. On the 2<sup>nd</sup> well project, the water report is done and will be sent in next week. Will need to discuss applying for CDBG funds with UERPC. May need to wait until 2021 as you can't have 2 projects under CDBG at once. Environmental Reviews are underway for the Lagoon Project, and plans are about 85% complete. Permitting will be done next month, and then can go to bid once Environmental Reviews are back.

Tom Bushman and Tara Hoffert joined by Zoom to discuss a building permit and moving a water line at 400 2<sup>nd</sup> Street SE. Engineer's estimate to move the water line is \$18,400. Hoffert was not looking at spending that much, so will review the ordinance and resubmit the building permit with a plan for a detached garage.

Christina Bodensteiner, Fort Library Director, advised she has been watching updates and talking with other Librarians for direction when COVID-19 releases them to reopen. Barta is making new keys and will get one to Bodensteiner and Mayor.

Greg Barta showed pictures of a repair needed at 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Council advised to proceed as cost is only about \$350. Barta presented bids for new mower: \$30,500 from Bodensteiner, and \$32,553.83 from P&K Midwest. Bodensteiner also offered \$5,000 trade in for current mower. Council would rather take sealed bids and sell outright. Barta will check lead time for new mower. Motion was made by Leuenberger, seconded by Schroeder to advertise to accept sealed bids once we know when new mower can be here. All Aye. Carried.

Discussed sump pumps that are connected incorrectly. Greg will get the list to Johansen and she will send letters giving them 60 days to get them fixed correctly or the City will need to hire a contractor and assess the fees.

Motion was made by Glass, seconded by K. Schmitt, to approve April 8th, 2020 Council Minutes, April Clerk Reports and Monthly Bills as presented. All Aye. Carried.

Lagoon Project – Herold has all information sent to FEMA for reimbursement on the land purchase, and he will follow up.

2<sup>nd</sup> Well – SEH Engineering is working on the legal description for the land, and then we can draw up a contract for purchase after that.

Motion was made by P. Schmitt, seconded by Glass to open the Public Hearing for FY19-20 Budget Amendments. All Aye. Carried. Johansen went through the list to explain each. Revenues are for total Transfers of \$109,700 for Local Option Tax to Road Use, and Sewer Fees to Sewer Project. Expenses total \$997,100, including additional Road Maintenance and Expenses for Lagoon Project and Land Purchase. No other comments or questions were received. Glass made a motion to close the Public Hearing, Leuenberger seconded. All Aye. Carried.

Motion to approve the Budget Amendments for FY19-20 was then made by Schroeder, seconded by K. Schmitt. All Aye. Carried.

Discussed the newsletter and made some changes due to COVID-19. Schmitt will revise and update, and then we can mail out.

Motion was made by K. Schmitt, seconded by Schroeder, to approve liquor license renewal LE0003059 for Huber's Store. All Aye. Carried.

Discussed complaints on junk vehicles and burning within City limits. Herold asked that emails to the D.O.T. be forwarded to him on the vehicles to address with Iowa D.O.T. directly. Regarding Nuisances in general, Herold asked everyone to research other towns and we will discuss fees to charge and Ordinances needing changed at June meeting.

Pictures were submitted of Leon Shatek's property that is rented to Darrin Kleve, and it appears they are farming past their lot onto City property. Johansen will send letter to both landowner and renter to Cease and correct, or we will need to put markers on the boundary to protect City property.

Herold received phone calls last weekend of Trespassing on City property and also 2 Private properties behind the lagoon, and found that a trail for 4-wheelers was being built. Herold called the other land owners, and all will get "No Trespassing" signs up immediately, and advised the resident to leave the property and cease action. Herold discussed with Sheriff Marx and the City Attorney regarding charges, as this is a violation of Iowa Code 716. Council to further discuss charges.

Discussed building permit submitted by Jonathan Hayek for a detached garage. Due to the size being larger than the ordinance allows, motion was made by Leuenberger, seconded by Glass, to deny the permit and send them a letter with other options they could resubmit. All Aye. Carried.

Next meeting will be June 3, 2020 at 7pm in the Community Center or by electronic meeting if needed due to the pandemic. Motion to adjourn was made by Glass, seconded by K. Schmitt. All Aye. Carried.  
Meeting adjourned at 8:41 p.m.

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

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Mayor

Acentek – Phone Service	\$214.51
Alliant - Electric	\$2,098.75
Anderson Law – Close on Land	\$741,374.13
Anderson Wilmarth – Legal Fees	\$1,032.00
Badger Meter – Fees	\$46.08
Bank Iowa – HSA Contribution	\$200.00
Bruening Rock – 10 <sup>th</sup> Ave Maintenance	\$316.29
Calmar Courier – Publishing	\$163.39
Carolee Norris – Family Tree Info	\$50.00
FED/FICA Taxes	\$2,012.68
Farmers Co-Op – Oil	\$63.54
Franzen Sales – UPS, Parts	\$852.01
Greg Barta – Reimburse	\$67.20
Hawkeye Sanitation – Garbage	\$1,960.21
Hubers – Supplies	\$365.35
IAMU – Dues	\$228.25
IA Dept of Revenue – Sales Tax	\$764.08
IPERS	\$1,425.20
IROC – Web page	\$45.00
Kory Karnik – Gym Pay	\$348.00
Mediacom – Internet	\$289.19
NEIA Backhoe – Haul Snow	\$390.00
Post Office – Postage	\$70.00
Rausch – Repairs	\$330.00
River City Paving – Repairs	\$207.27
Ron Krivacheck – Sweeper	\$360.00
SEH – Lagoon Engineering	\$11,211.55
USA BlueBook – Supplies	\$214.87
Wellmark – Insurance	\$506.49
Zarnoth – Repairs	\$956.60
Payroll	\$6,935.06
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$33,863.96</b>

<b>Funds:</b>	<b>Expenses:</b>	<b>Revenue:</b>
General	\$ 11,078.29	\$ 48,486.62
Museum	\$ 50.00	
Road Use	\$ 2,529.56	\$ 0
Employee Benefits	\$ 706.49	\$ 8,094.90
Emergency	\$	\$ 960.29
Local Opt.		\$ 0
Water	\$ 4,496.51	\$ 5,582.93
2 <sup>nd</sup> Well	\$ 2,985.31	\$ 0
Sewer	\$ 2,759.56	\$ 9,437.27
Lagoon	\$ 9,258.24	\$ 0

Library		\$ 0
Historic Preservation	\$ 0	\$
Debt		
Total	\$ 33,863.96	\$ 72,562.01