

December 10, 2024

The Afton City Council met in regular scheduled session at 6:30 PM December 10, 2024. Mayor Burger presided over council members Jeff Burger, Kristie Nixon, Dave Cunningham, and Sheryl Parham. Steve Kinyon was present via phone call.

Parham moved to approve the agenda and Nixon seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried. Kinyon moved to approve the consent agenda which consisted of report of the Minutes from the November 12, 2024 meeting, City Clerk/Treasurer, Afton Police Department and the following bills. Parham seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Check #	Vendor Name	Fund-Purpose	Amount
		November 12, 2024 to December 10, 2024	
677E	IOWA DEP OF REVEN	MONTHLY SALES TAX	\$ 1,588.68
678E	SIRWA	GEN/SR- WATER DUE OCT	\$ 120.00
679E	IOWA FIN. AUTHORITY	SR-SEWER LOAN PRINC/INTEREST	\$ 16,670.00
680E	IPERS	GEN/RU/SR/ELEC- WITHHOLDING MATCH- OCT	\$ 2,594.60
681E	EFTPS	GEN/RU/SR/ELEC-PAYROLL TAXES- OCT	\$ 3,700.86
683E	IOWA DEP OF REVEN	MONTHLY STATE PAYROLL W/H-OCT	\$ 476.46
684E	CAPITAL ONE	GEN- BATTERIES	\$ 12.68
685E	CASEY'S BUSINESS CARD	GEN- POLICE GAS	\$ 161.78
686E	CENTRAL BANK	ELEC- ELEC LOAN PRINC/INTEREST	\$ 82,601.25
687E	VERIZON	GEN- POLICE INTERNET	\$ 40.01
688E	WINDSTREAM	GEN- PHONE	\$ 149.37
689E	RPGI	ELEC- PURCHAS OF ELEC NOV	\$ 38,400.07
33887	COMMUNICATION SOL.	GEN- POLICE CAMERAS	\$ 95.00
33888	ELAN FIN. SERVICES	ELEC/REC- EMAILS/CONCESSION SUPPLIES	\$ 1,086.67
33889	IOWA UTILITIES BOARD	ELEC- ASSOCIATION DUES	\$ 364.00
33890	MADISON NATIONAL LIFE INS	EM BEN/SR/ELEC- LIFE INS/SUPPLEMENTAL OCT/NOV	\$ 48.25
33891	MEGGEN WEEKS	GEN- LEGAL FEES	\$ 220.00
33892	SW IOWA REC	REC- REC BALL FIELD LIGHTS	\$ 80.44
33893	THE LENOX COMPUTER STORE	GEN- IT LABOR/SUPPORT	\$ 353.10
33894	WELLMARK BC/BS	EM BEN/SR/ELEC/RU- HEALTH INS	\$ 2,599.30
33895-33898	EMPLOYEES	GEN/RU/SR/ELEC- PAYROLL #24	\$ 5,699.57
33899-33903	COUNCIL PAY	GEN- ANNUAL COUNCIL PAY	\$ 3,683.18
33904	MID AMERICAN ENGERY	GEN/SR/RU- GAS	\$ 62.44
33905-33908	EMPLOYEES	GEN/RU/SR/ELEC- PAYROLL #25	\$ 5,605.46
33909	MAYOR	GEN-4TH QTR PAY	\$ 461.75
33910	ACCUJET	SR-CAMERA ROBOTICS TO CUT ROOT IN LINE	\$ 2,968.31
33911	AFTON STAR	GEN- PUBLICATIONS	\$ 677.73
33912	BOMGAARS	RU/SR- SHOP SUPPLIES/AIR COMPRESSOR	\$ 1,089.27
33913	COLE MILLER	W.TRAIL- U-CHANNEL POST	\$ 80.00
33914	CORNING YOUTH CLUB	REC- BBALL TOURNAMENT BOYS	\$ 50.00

33915	EAST UNION FBALL	REC- CONCESSION STAND HELP	\$ 400.00
33916	FAREWAY	REC- CONCESSION SUPPLIES	\$ 77.28
33917	GREEN VALLEY PEST/LAWN	GEN/REC- PEST CONTORL SPRAYING	\$ 108.80
33918	INNOVATIVE	GEN- CLEAN COM.CENTER	\$ 90.00
33919	IOWA ONE CALL	SR/ELEC- LOCATE EMAILS	\$ 18.00
33920	J & J PLUMBING	GEN- FURNACE FILTERS	\$ 176.00
33921	MID AMERICAN ENGERY	GEN/SR- GAS	\$ 92.07
33922	NEW COOPERATIVE	GEN/RU/SR- GAS	\$ 117.16
33923	PLASTIC RECYCLING	GEN- BENCH REPLACEMENT	\$ 367.20
33924	PODIUM INK	REC- APPERAL	\$ 307.50
33925	QUALITY GLASS	GEN- DOOR LOCK	\$ 125.00
33926	SW IOWA REC	ELEC- TRANSFORMER DISCONNECT AND RAILROAD	\$ 735.50
33927	STATE HYGIENIC LAB	SR- LAGGON TEST SAMPLES	\$ 103.00
33928	TAC10	GEN- POLICE MOBILE RENEW	\$ 530.00
33929	US POSTAL SERVICE	GEN- PO BOX RENTAL	\$ 120.00
33930	USIC LOCATING SERVICES	ELEC- LOCATES	\$ 122.13
33931	UTILITY EQUIP CO	GEN/REC- TOOL	\$ 44.42
33932	VOID	VOID- MISPRINT	\$ -
		TOTAL	\$175,274.29
Expenditures		Receipts	
GENERAL	\$3,434.24	GENERAL	\$17,312.50
ROAD USE	\$1,152.05	ROAD USE	\$10,420.55
EMPLOYEE BEN	\$8,316.42	EMPLOEE BEN	\$995.41
W. TRAIL	\$80.00	LOST	\$15,773.57
REC	\$1,889.58	ECON DEV.	\$650.00
SEWER	\$3,936.52	REC	\$1,290.00
SEWER SINKING	\$16,670.00	SEWER	\$6,939.61
ELECTRIC	\$41,744.27	SEWER SINKING	\$3,100.84
ELECTRIC SINKING	\$82,601.25	SEWER RES	\$227.86
PAYROLL/MAYOR/COUNCIL	\$15,449.96	ELEC	\$61,345.60
		ELEC SINKING	\$13,688.50
TOTAL	\$175,274.29	TOTAL	\$131,744.44

Public Forum: No comments.

Resolution/Ordinances:

2024-26- RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING INDIVIDUALS TO BE POINT OF CONTACT AND REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE CITY OF AFTON RAYMOND JAMES ACCOUNT. Cunningham made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-26. Burger seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Kinyon, Nixon, Parham, Cunningham, and Burger all voted aye. Motion carried.

2024-27- RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE 90-DAY PAY RAISE FOR EMPLOYEE OF THE CITY OF AFTON, IA Nixon made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-27. Kinyon seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Parham, Cunningham, Burger, Nixon and Kinyon all voted aye. Motion carried.

Old Business:

An update was given on 400 E Kansas. In the process of trying to serve the property owner for the nuisance. Multiple attempts have been made to serve the property owner with no success to date. Properties at 604 E Filmore, 608 E Kansas and 112 N Temple, all belonging to the same resident. Each property has some improvements. It was discussed and recommended, that with the weather conditions changing for winter, that the city now wait until spring to see if property owner continues to clean up. If the property owner fails to finish cleaning up in the spring, then the city will proceed with nuisance filings.

Playground update- Play Pro Recreation and Little Tikes Commercial sales representative provided 3 new designs and quotes. The council wants to continue to look into other options and designs before making a decision. Nixon provided some links to other contractors that have designed local playgrounds. The city will continue to look into the project. No decisions were made at this time.

Update for the Community Forestry Grant Program. The City Clerk has been working with SICOG and a local tree Nursery. The application is almost ready to submit. If awarded the grant the city will welcome any volunteers to help with the project. This includes but is not limited to helping plant and water the trees in a timely manner.

There is no new information on the Afton Fire Department request. The City and Afton Fire department will work together to decide on sign design. For parking. The City Clerk will research sign pricing and order detail. The DOT still needs to be contacted about signage on 169. No further discussion on the topic.

NEW BUSINESS:

The council reviewed the Annual Financial Report for FY2024 and the Street Financial Report for FY2024. These reports were submitted to the State and DOT as required. Both reports do not require council approval. They are provided for information purposes only.

The council discussed a 90-day pay raise for the part time Utility Clerk. The council discussed performance and continued training when available.

The Rec board recommended Brandon Cosner to fill a rec board vacancy. Nixon made a motion to approve the recommendation. Cunningham seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

At the last Greenlawn cemetery board meeting on December 3rd, the cemetery board discussed some minor mowing contract changes. Changes included adding the fall trimming of peonies and appropriate use of chemicals. The advertisement for mowing bids will be in the Afton Star Enterprise and the Exchange. The Ad will also be posted on the city’s Facebook page and the city’s website. Mowing Bids and questionnaire will be due by February 2, 2025. The Cemetery board also discussed possible rule changes and amendments to the cemetery rule book.

Updates from Committees:

EMC- no updates

Landfill update from Cunningham. The landfill is still making repairs to the building from the spring/summer storms. There are fuel negotiations going on in regard to the trucking for the landfill.

The Recycling Dumpster in Afton will be moving to the landfill after the 1st of the year. This will save the county money.

Burger moved to adjourn and Parham seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the Council adjourned at 7:09 PM.

Michelle Burger, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Kayla Lacina, City Clerk