

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS CITY OF ATTICA

1-9-2023

The Common Council for the City of Attica met on January 9th, 2023, at 6:00 P.M.

Those present at the meeting were: Council Members; Mr. Larry Grant, Mrs. Valarie Maus, Mrs. Kaylie Carnahan, and Mr. Scott Voorhees. Also, present were Attorney Ingrid Barce, Mayor Duane Roderick, and Clerk-Treasurer Joanne Broadwater.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

- **Voorhees made a motion to approve the minutes from December 12 and 27, 2022, council meetings, Maus seconded, all were in favor and the motion passed.**

CITIZENS PETITIONS:

- None

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Damon DeSutter presented to the council that the park board is interested in hiring a park director. DeSutter stated the park board is still working on a job description and would address the council once they have more details.

DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Eric Swank Director of Public Works:

- Swank stated there is a problem with high water pressure at the Badlands. It will cost approximately \$5000.00 for parts to repair. The high pressure is causing water lines to break.

Police Chief Garret Miller:

- Was not present.

Fire Chief Mike Little:

- The AFD had 481 runs in 2022, 384 were medical, 45 were accidents, 32 were fires and 20 misc.
- 2 new volunteer fire fighters started in 2022.
- Mr. Jones will be emailing information on the fire territory that will be presented to the council later.
- Mike is looking into some grants his department can apply for.

- Chief Little provided an update on the new truck for the Fire Department.

Joanne Broadwater, Clerk-Treasurer:

- Handed out yearend financials.
- The capital asset project is complete, and all the assets have been input into the financial software.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Roderick asked Attorney Barce if she had information on the ATV ordinance. Barce stated the most recent ordinance she could find was 2016. Voorhees stated an ordinance was passed combining the ATV and golf cart rules. Barce stated she would look again for an updated ordinance. This is tabled until February.

Barce explained state law regarding ATV's that cities must follow. Moving forward the City of Attica will only charge tag fees for golf carts, not ATV's.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Roderick presented information regarding a city preservation ordinance.

Tommy Kleckner from Indiana Landmarks spoke to the council about adopting a historic preservation ordinance. Mr. Kleckner explained that this is a tool available to local municipalities to preserve local historic places in the community.

Roderick suggested the discussion be tabled until the February meeting to allow the city attorney time to read through the ordinance. At that time the council can decide if they want to pass it. The council agreed. Attorney Barce stated if the ordinance is passed the council will need to decide how many members will be on the historic preservation commission, at a minimum there should be 3 people.

- Representatives from ADM, Matt and Justin spoke to the council. Matt is the regional operations manager, and Justin, who is the location superintendent for Attica.

ADM has been contemplating the expansion of their railyard to the south at the Attica location. E. Harrison St. cuts through the railyard and would need to be closed for expansion to occur. E. Harrison St. serves two residences. Matt and Justin presented a proposal to the council showing a replacement road for residential access if E. Harrison St is closed. They indicated the value to railyard expansion is to reduce the number and length of closures of the East / West roads in Attica that the tracks now cross including St. Rd. 28.

Grant asked ADM if they were proposing to build the road? ADM stated they haven't worked out the details, they are exploring options. ADM stated at this point they are asking for the cities support in exploring options. The council gave that support.

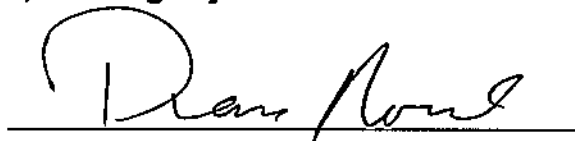
MISCELANOUS:

- Roderick stated the Badlands contacted him about partnering with the city for fireworks in July.
- Voorhees asked for an update on the riverfront development. Roderick asked Eric Swank to reach out to HWC to get quotes.
- Damon DeSutter gave an update on the Ravine Park equipment installation.
- Attorney Barce stated the city needs to make annual designations.
- **Larry Grant made a motion to designate The Fountain County Neighbor as the primary paper for legal notices for 2023, Voorhees seconded, motion passed.**
- **Carnahan made a motion to designate The Fountain Trust Company as the cities primary banking institution for 2023, Maus seconded, motion passed.**
- **Maus made a motion to designate Attorney's Barce and Redlin as the cities legal council for 2023, Carnahan seconded, motion passed.**
- **Carnahan made a motion to elect Larry Grant as the 2023 council president for 2023, Maus seconded, all were in favor, motion passed.**

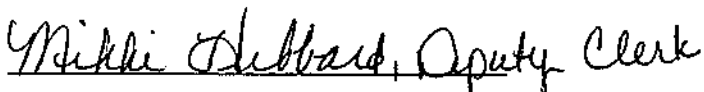
ADJORNMENT:

Roderick stated he had no further business and requested a motion to adjourn. The next Council meeting will be held Monday February 13th, 2023, at 6:00pm.

Maus made the motion to adjourn, Grant seconded, all were in favor, motion passed, meeting adjourned.



Duane Roderick, Mayor

ATTEST:  Mikki Hubbard, Deputy Clerk

Joanne Broadwater, Clerk-Treasurer