COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS CITY OF ATTICA

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The Common Council for the City of Attica met on February 12, 2024, at 6:00 P.M.

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

Junior Council member present was Eli French.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

 Voorhees made a motion to approve the minutes from February 12th, council meeting, Roderick seconded, all were in favor and the motion passed.

CITIZENS PETITIONS:

- Anthony Hutchinson owns a home-based vendoring business and asked the council what the city ordinances were for this type of business.
 - Council Member Voorhees and Attorney Ingrid Barce both provided the requested information to Mr. Hutchinson.
- Lexxi Haddock provided an update for this year's Attica Community Market. The market is changing back to Saturday mornings from 9am to noon the 1st and 3rd Saturday's.

Lexxi requested permission to close Perry St. between Mill and Main for the Market. The council approved this closure.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

 Attorney Barce reported that an APC meeting was held in February to consider a zoning change for Stone Cut properties south of Attica from A1 to B2. The APC made a favorable recommendation to the council for the zoning change.

Roderick made a motion to approve Ordinance No 2024-0311, amending the City of Attica's Zone Map changing property owned by Stone Cut Properties from A-1 to B-2, Voorhees seconded the motion, all were in favor, motion passed.

JUNIOR COUNCIL REPORTS:

- Junior Council represented by Eli French, had nothing to report.
- Grant reported on behalf of council member Maus about a solution to the park program supply storage concern.

Grant state Maus is working with Myers Steel to build a lockable storage container for the park program supplies. All the labor and materials will be donated.

DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Eric Swank Director of Public Works:

 Swank asked that the language in the utility ordinance regarding credits for water leaks be reviewed and possibly updated. Swank explained that how it is worded now doesn't allow enough flexibility in some situations. Broadwater asked Swank to work with her and Attorney Barce to come up with more flexible language to be presented to the council for approval.

Police Chief Garret Miller:

- Reported that PERF has approved the new officer hires. Gabe Hartwig has started his field training, and the second officer will start at the end of April.
- The utility clerk is creating a list of addresses with terminated utility service for the APD.
- Trash and rubbish notices are going out next week.
- Miller provided an update on Ordinance violations of individuals with pigs and roosters within the city limits.
- Miller stated he has applied for a grant through ICJI that will pay for a portable camera system to be used for traffic enforcement.

Fire Chief Mike Little:

Was not present.

Joanne Broadwater, Clerk-Treasurer:

- Handed out the current financial report.
- Provided an update on end of year reporting, and reports that will be due in the next quarter.
- Reported that all the city ordinances have been provided to Code Publishing to bring the online city ordinance database up to date. And that ordinances approved from 2020 through the present are available on the website under the City Council tab.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

 Voorhees asked for a WEGA update on the market project. Grant provided the information he had to date. Rod Bannon of WEGA was not present.

- Grant stated Purdue is not an option for the traffic study and asked HWC to assist with this prior to an ordinance being created.
- Eric Smith of HWC Engineering provided an update on the water project and recommended that the current water storage tank be replaced instead of repaired, replacement is the more cost-effective option.

Voorhees and Roderick stated they are in support of replacing the storage tank.

Grant stated the BOW have been updated on this upgrade as well.

Mr. Smith stated HWC will put together an updated contract and present it to the BOW for approval.

- Eric Smith of HWC provided an update on the bidding process for the downtown streetscape.
- Grant stated he didn't have an update on the sale of city owned properties.
- Grant reported the "Attica Connect" app is live and can be downloaded from any app store.

NEW BUSINESS:

 Robin Curry representing Community Action Program, stated they received an IHCDA grant to build 5 duplexes in Attica, 3 will be located behind the Wheelers building.

Community Action asked the city to donate the water tap fees for the 604 E. Summit St. build.

Roderick made a motion to waive the water tap fees for this address, Voorhees seconded, all were in favor, motion passed.

- Grant stated there is a city pool meeting on Saturday April 6th at 1:00 pm.
- Town wide clean up will be on Saturday May 11th, 2024.
- Grant reported that he received a quote from Duke Energy for streetlight upgrades.
 The new lights will be white LED, the city will qualify for \$8000 in rebates. The project will begin in late April and should be completed by mid-summer.

MISCELANOUS:

None.

ADJORNMENT:

Grant stated he had no further business and requested a motion to adjourn. The next Council meeting will be held Monday April 8th, 2024, at 6:00pm.

Voorhees made the motion to adjourn, Roderick seconded, all were in favor, motion passed, meeting adjourned.

Larry Grant, Mayor

Joanne Broadwater, Clerk-Treasurer