The Atkins City Council met February 13, 2024 at 7pm at Atkins City Hall. Mayor Sweet called the meeting to order. Invocation was given by Raymond Pearce. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The Mayor called the roll. Attending were Mayor Rowdy Sweet, City Attorney Jacob Phillips, and aldermen present were Sean Rehm, Bro Price, Raymond Pearce, JoAnn Spence, and Tim Waddle. Absent was City Clerk Angela Singleton and alderman Daniel Dunn. Visitors: see attachment.

Bro Price moved to approve the minutes of the prior meeting. Tim Waddle seconded the motion.
Motion Carried 5-0

Committee Reports
Police: no report
Fire Dept.: Mayor Sweet spoke with an attorney at the Municipal League about a FEMA grant. This would be something to look at next year.
Street: no report
Recreation: no report
Planning Commission: 1 permit passed. See attached minutes.
Library: Mayor Sweet reported a pipe had busted and Mitchell and Ronnie was able to fix this and clean up the mess. The insurance has been notified. Janna Brinker, with the library, reported AARP helps with filing taxes on Tuesday and Wednesday.
Mayor's Report: Mayor Sweet met with engineers regarding the emergency connection at the Water Treatment plant. The engineers are currently waiting on parts before starting. Mayor Sweet has attended several eclipse meetings. He stated no one really knows what to expect. Mayor Sweet has spoken with a few companies regarding the repairs on the Matthew Civic Center.

Mayor Sweet requested 3 late items to be placed on the agenda. Tim Waddle made a motion to place 3 late items on the agenda. Bro Price seconded the motion. Motion Carried 5-0

Water/Sewer
Old Business: no report
New Business: no report

City New Business:

A. Terrie and Mark Wood: unsightly/unsanitary conditions at 210 NE 1st, 223-225 Hwy 64, and 217 NE 1st. Mrs. Wood stated it has been a year since the building burned down at 217 NE 1st and it is an eye sore, and especially with Pickle Fest coming up soon. Chief Pack stated he has spoken with Robert Travis and they will be cleaning the property over the next couple of weeks. The 223-225 Hwy 64 property, this has been cleaned, but more metal has fallen off the wall. Mrs. Wood would like this and the sandbags to be cleaned. Chief Pack stated the big piece of metal is on the property owner's land and he did not know anything about the sandbags. The property at 210 NE 1st was not a concern anymore.
B. Employee insurance compensation. This is a compensation to help cover the increase in Medicare Part B cost. Sean Rehm made a motion to give Danny Webb a $1.00 raise for compensation for the cost of Medicare. Bro Price seconded the motion. Vote was:

Sean Rehm Yes	Tim Waddle Yes
Bro Price Yes	JoAnn Spence Yes
Raymond Pearce Yes	Daniel Dunn Absent

C. Late item: Mayor Sweet presented to the council bids for the repairs at the Fire Department, Depot, and Concession Stand. Raymond Pearce made a motion for BRS to repair the roofs at the Fire Department, Depot, and Concession stand. Sean Rehm seconded the motion.

Motion Carried 5-0

D. Late item: Resolution 2024-04: A resolution appropriating funds from the City General Funds to the 2024 Budget. Sean Rehm made a motion to place Resolution 2024-04 on its reading. Bro Price seconded the motion. Vote was:

Sean Rehm Yes	Tim Waddle Yes
Bro Price Yes	JoAnn Spence Yes
Raymond Pearce Yes	Daniel Dunn Absent

E. Late item: Resolution 2024-05: A resolution authorizing the sale of personal property owned by the City of Atkins, specifically water meters. Sean Rehm made a motion to place Resolution 2024-05 on its reading. Bro Price seconded the motion. Vote was:

Sean Rehm Yes	Tim Waddle Yes
Bro Price Yes	JoAnn Spence Yes
Raymond Pearce Yes	Daniel Dunn Absent

F. Robert Travis has turned in his resignation for the Planning Commission. Mayor Sweet contacted all members and no one wanted the position. Mayor Sweet contacted former mayor, Jerry Don Barrett, and he stated he would take over the position. Sean Rehm made a motion to appoint Jerry Don Barrett to the Planning Commission. Motion Carried 5-0

G. Mayor Sweet presented a pay request to Cornerstone Construction for the water meter replacement to the council. Bro Price made a motion to pay $283,034.19 to Cornerstone Construction for the water meter replacement. Raymond Pearce seconded the motion.

Motion Carried 5-0

City Old Business: no report

Executive Session: no report

Unpaid bills, financial statements, and approval for payment: Bro Price moved to approve the payments of the City Expenses listed on the City General Bank register and Water Expenses. Sean Rehm seconded the motion.

Motion Carried 5-0

Announcements: Deidre Luker introduced herself and she is running for Pope County District Judge. Tim Waddle asked if the hours could be shortened at the splash pad during the winter months. It was commented the sign posted is permanent and it would be hard to change. He was asking to help deter people from going in after hours.

Tim Waddle moved the meeting adjourned. Sean Rehm seconded the motion. Motion Carried 5-0

Mayor, Rowdy Sweet

City Clerk, Angela Singleton

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Angela Singleton, City Clerk
City of Atkins
Date: 3-2-2024

ATKINS CITY PLANNING COMMISSION
Feb 6, 2024

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. INVOCATION
3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
4. ROLL CALL- Present- Robert Travis, Chris Martin, Erin Horn, Louis Schmoll and Floyd Magers
   Absent-

5. MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING/S

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

7. OLD BUSINESS:
   No old business

   A. NEW BUSINESS:
   -Permit for new structure-Shop. Rodney Baker 108 NE 14th.

   -Passed-Louis Schmoll moved to approve and Erin Horn 2nd. Approved 5-0

   B. ANNOUNCEMENTS

   C. ADJOURNMENT- Chris Martin motioned to adjourn

VISITORS PLEASE SIGN:

DATE: February 13, 2024

PRINTED NAME	SIGNATURE and ORGANIZATION (if any)
Stephen Pack	
Luke Gwaltney	
Terry Bowden	
Danny R Webb	Atkins City
Mitchell Moore	
Janna Brinker	Atkins Library
Chuck Cheek	
Deidre Luker	

FILED
Angela Singleton, City Clerk
City of Atkins
Date: 3-12-2024

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