The Atkins City Council met July 9, 2024 at 7pm at Atkins City Hall. Mayor Rowdy Sweet called the meeting to order. Invocation was given by Raymond Pearce. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The Clerk called the roll. Attending were Mayor Rowdy Sweet, City Clerk Angela Singleton, City Attorney Jacob Phillips, and aldermen present were Sean Rehm, Bro Price, Raymond Pearce, Daniel Dunn, and JoAnn Spence. Absent was Tim Waddle. Visitors: See attached sheet.

Bro Price moved to approve the minutes of the prior meeting. Sean Rehm seconded the motion.

Motion Carried 5-0

6. Committee Reports

A. Police: Chief Pack had no report. Alderman Bro Price asked about cleaning up the Oscar Curtis property. Mayor Sweet is having City Attorney Jacob Phillips send a certified letter to Mr. Curtis.
B. Fire Dept.: no report
C. Street: Mitchell Moore asked if the old KFC/Taco Bell property needs to be mowed monthly. Mayor Sweet stated he has been in contact with the owner. Mayor Sweet will contact the owner again this week to see if he would like to hire someone to mow the property or the City to hire someone and keep putting liens on the property.
D. Recreation: no report
E. Planning Commission: 2 permits passed. See attached minutes
F. Library: Daniel Byers reported a hopscotch will be put in and the flower beds have not been done yet. They are waiting on the results of the soil sample.
G. Mayor Report: Mayor Sweet reported the Matthew Center should be done soon. Alderman Bro Price asked if the trees were ever replaced, and Mayor Sweet stated yes. Mayor Sweet received an email from the Municipal League for the City of Atkins receiving a 4 Star for Excellence in Loss Control related to employee safety wellness vehicle safety and prevention liability. The last time the City received this was in 2020.

Sean Rehm made a motion to add a late item to the agenda. Bro Price seconded the motion.

Motion Carried 5-0

H. Water/Sewer

1. Old Business: no report
2. New Business: Late item: Danny Webb reported the lift station at the rodeo arena has a leak in the discharge line in the concrete slab. McClellan and the contractors have been to the site to get estimates. Mayor Sweet stated an emergency meeting might need to be called after the estimates have been received.

7. City New Business

A. Resolution 2024-16: Rotary cutter for Street Department: A resolution appropriating funds from the City Street fund to the 2024 Street Department budget. Bro Price made a motion to place Resolution 2024-16 on its reading. Sean Rehm seconded the motion. Vote was:

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

B. Resolution 2014-17: Splash Pad Repair and Maintenance: A resolution appropriating funds from the City General fund to the 2024 Budget. Sean Rehm made a motion to place Resolution 2024-17 on its reading. Bro Price seconded the motion. Vote was:

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

8. City Old Business: no report
9. Executive Session: no report
10. 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
11. Announcements: no report
12. Daniel Dunn moved the meeting adjourned. JoAnn Spence seconded the motion. Motion Carried 5-0

Mayor, Rowdy Sweet

City Clerk, Angela Singleton

SEAL

FILED
Angela Singleton, City Clerk
City of Atkins
Date: 8-12-2024

VISITORS PLEASE SIGN:

DATE: July 9, 2024

PRINTED NAME	SIGNATURE and ORGANIZATION (if any)
Terry Bowden	
Stephen Pack	
Luke Sandy	
Mitchell Moore	
Daniel Byers	Attins Library
Danny Webb	Atkins water works
Seth Cochran	
Chuck Check	

FILED
Angela Singleton, City Clerk
City of Atkins
Date: 8-13-2024

SEAL
CITY OF ATKINS
POPE COUNTY ARKANSAS

ATKINS CITY PLANNING COMMISSION
July 2, 2024

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

5. MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING/S: Motion to approve Erin Horn, second Chris Martin.

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

7. OLD BUSINESS:
   No old business

A. NEW BUSINESS:

-Permit for addition on existing garage. Rodney Baker 108 NE 14th St

-Passed-Erin Horn motion to approve and Chris Martin 2nd. Approved 4-0

-Permit for storage container-pod. Daniel Snyder 1405 SW 3rd St.

-Passed- Erin Horn motion to approve and Chris Martin 2nd. Approved 4-0

B. ANNOUNCEMENTS

C. ADJOURNMENT- Floyd Magers motioned to adjourn Erin Horn second.

On July 16, 2024 Mayor Sweet called a special meeting held at 7p.m. at the Atkins City Hall. Mayor Sweet called the meeting to order. In attendance were Mayor Rowdy Sweet, City Clerk Angela Singleton, aldermen Sean Rehm, Bro Price, Raymond Pearce, JoAnn Spence, and Tim Waddle. Mayor Sweet presented to the council an estimate from Van Horn Construction for the North Pump Station Repairs for a total of $124,000. This includes install manhole on south line, install by-pass connection including valves on existing discharge line, furnish by-pass pumps and fuel, remove at completion, replace 2 suction pipes inside pump wet well with 4" schedule 10, 316 SS, and install concrete pad at discharged valved.

Raymond Pearce made a motion to read Ordinance 2024-01 by title only. Bro Price seconded the motion. Vote was:

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

Ordinance 2024-01: An Ordinance waiving competitive bidding for the service of repairing the rodeo arena lift station sewage system; authorizing the Mayor to sign all necessary documents or said service; and declaring an emergency.

Bro Price made a motion to accept the emergency clause on Ordinance 2024-01. Raymond Pearce seconded the motion. Vote was:

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

Tim Waddle made a motion to adjourn. Bro Price seconded the motion. Motion Carried 5-0

Mayor, Rowdy Sweet

City Clerk, Angela Singleton

CITY OF ATKINS ★ SEAL ★ POPE COUNTY ARKANSAS

FILED
Angela Singleton, City Clerk
City of Atkins
Date: 8-13-2024

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-01

AN ORDINANCE WAIVING COMPETITIVE BIDDING FOR THE SERVICE OF REPAIRING THE RODEO ARENA LIFT STATION SEWAGE SYSTEM; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS FOR SAID SERVICE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the City of Atkins has determined that the Rodeo Arena lift station sewer system located at 575 NE 14th Street, Atkins, Arkansas is damaged and in need of immediate repairs.

WHEREAS, the requirements of competitive bidding are neither practical nor feasible due to time constraints.

WHEREAS, the City is authorized and empowered under the provisions of A.C.A. § 14-58-303 to waive competitive bidding requirements in situations where such process is not practical or feasible; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATKINS, ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1: The City Council of Atkins hereby finds that an immediate need exists to repair the Rodeo Arena lift station and to waive the state law bid requirement for goods, services or equipment in excess of $35,000.00 and state law bid requirements for contracts for public improvements in excess of $50,000.00.

SECTION 2: The normal procedure followed for goods, services or equipment costing in excess of $35,000.00 and contracts for public improvements in excess of $50,000.00 is to invite competitive bidding in accordance with A.C.A. §14-58-303 and A.C.A. § 22-9-203, respectively. However, the City Council has determined that compliance with A.C.A. § 14-58-303 and § 22-9-203 is not practical or feasible in this situation. The damaged plumbing at this lift station is approximately 40 years old and any further damage could result in severe environmental and health consequences. Inviting competitive bidding would cause unnecessary delays in maintaining the City's sewage system in accordance with governing guidelines.

SECTION 3: The Mayor, or his designees, are hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Van Horn Construction for repairs to the Rodeo Arena lift station. The City hereby approves the expenditure of $124,000.00 for said repairs to be paid out of the sanity sewer bond.

SECTION 4: All ordinances, resolutions, and parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

SECTION 5: **EMERGENCY CLAUSE**: This ordinance being necessary for the effective operation of the City of Atkins and for the public peace, health, and safety of the citizens of Atkins, an emergency is hereby declared and this ordinance shall become effective immediately upon passage.

PASSED and APPROVED this 16th day of July, 2024.

APPROVED:

ROWDY SWEET, MAYOR

ATTEST:

ANGELA SINGLETON, CITY CLERK

SEAL

FILED
Angela Singleton, City Clerk
City of Atkins
Date: 7-16-2024

790 Tyler Road
Russellville, AR 72802

Phone: (479) 968-2514
Fax: (479) 968-2570

Van Horn Construction

Date 7-15-2024

City Of Atkins
310 NE 1 st
Atking Ar. 72823

Attn.; Danny Webb

RE: North Pump Station Repairs

Mr. Webb, Van Horn Construction proposed to furnish all Labor, Materials, Equipment and Subcontractors to complete the repairs to your North sewer Pump station as follows.

- Install Manhole on south line
- Install By-pass connection including Valves on existing discharge line
- Furnish By-pass Pumps and fuel, Remove at completion.
- Replace Two suction pipes inside Pump wet well with 4" schedule 10, 316 SS
- Replace one 4" discharge pipe inside wet well with 4" schedule 10, 316 SS
- Install Concrete pad at Discharge Valved.

Total Budget amount **$124,000.00**

Thank you considering Van Horn Construction for this project please call me with any Questions or comments at 479/857/6391

Sincerely,
Dale Brown

Dale Brown
Van Horn Construction, Inc.