The Atkins City Council met December 10, 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, and Tim Waddle. Absent were Daniel Dunn and JoAnn Spence. Visitors: See attached sheet.

Bro Price moved to approve the minutes of the prior meeting. Tim Waddle seconded the motion. Motion Carried 4-0

6. Committee Reports

a. City New Business

b. Police: Chief Pack reported Trustin Deaver will be graduating from the academy.

c. Fire Dept: no report

d. Street: ARDot has finished the roads. They will now be replacing the culverts on Twin Dikes Road before the next project.

e. Recreation: The merry go round has been fixed

f. Planning Commission: 1 permit passed. See attached minutes

g. Library: no report

h. Mayor's Report: Mayor Sweet will get quotes on new Christmas lights that hang on the poles. Mayor Sweet presented the council a letter from LRS stating the new rates will be going from $11.25 to $11.82. The council and the Mayor agreed this will need to go out for bid. See attached letter.

7. City New Business

a) Resolution 2024-22: 2025 Budget: Be it resolved by the City Council of Atkins, County of Pope, State of Arkansas, A resolution adopting the 2025 Budget for the City of Atkins, Arkansas. Sean Rehm made a motion to place Resolution 2024-22 on its reading. Tim Waddle seconded the motion. Vote was:

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

b) Resolution 2024-23: FEMA Fire Dept Grant: A resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to apply for a grant with FEMA Assistance to firefighters, accept said grant if awarded, and for other purposes. Bro Price made a motion to place Resolution 2024-23 on its reading. Tim Waddle seconded the motion. Vote was:

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

8. City Old Business: no report

9. Water/Sewer

10. Executive Session: No report

11. 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. Tim Waddle seconded the motion. Motion Carried 4-0

12. Announcements: Mayor Sweet reported the Christmas parade went well.

13. Adjournment: Tim Waddle moved the meeting adjourned. Sean Rehm seconded the motion. Motion Carried 4-0

Mayor, Rowdy Sweet

City Clerk, Angela Singleton

SEAL

FILED
Angela Singleton, City Clerk
City of Atkins
Date: 1-14-25

VISITORS PLEASE SIGN: DATE: December 10, 2024

PRINTED NAME	SIGNATURE and ORGANIZATION (if any)
Luke Sawot	
Stephen Pack	
Chuck Cheek	
Danny R. Webb	City of Atkins
Seth Cahoa	Fire/EMS
Janna Brinker	Library

FILED
Angela Singleton, City Clerk
City of Atkins
Date: 1-14-25

CITY OF ATKINS ★ SEAL ★ POPE COUNTY ARKANSAS

ATKINS CITY PLANNING COMMISSION
Dec. 3, 2024

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. INVOCATION
3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
4. ROLL CALL- Present- Jerry Don Barrett, Floyd Magers, Erin Horn, Chris Martin and Louis Schmoll.
   Absent- None

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

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

7. OLD BUSINESS:
   No old business

A. NEW BUSINESS:

-Permit- Duplex (Jeremy Snyder) 501 Ave 3 NW

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

B. ANNOUNCEMENTS-N/A

C. DISCUSSION- Tiny/Modular homes. The decision of the commission was to use the modular home rules with some research for further regulations.

D. Visitor- Brent Boyer attended the meeting asking questions about the tiny/modular home permitting process.

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

December 10, 2024

The Honorable Rowdy Sweet, Mayor
City of Atkins
310 NE 1st Street
Atkins, AR 72823

Dear Mayor Sweet and City of Atkins Council,

Pursuant to the "Refuse Collection and Disposal Agreement" between LRS South, LLC and the City of Atkins for the collection, transportation and disposal of household accumulated trash within the City's limits, LRS is requesting an annual rate adjustment to be effective February 1, 2025.

The rate adjust to be a total of 5%, 4% for the Consumer Price Index Garbage and Trash Collection and 1% for disposal increases in accordance with VII. a. ii. Rate Adjustments.

ii. **Rate Adjustments.** Annually, the monthly service fee per Residential Unit shall be adjusted on each anniversary of the effective date of this Agreement by the Consumer Price Index for the Garbage and Trash Collection (CPI-U G&TC) as published by title Bureau of Labor Statistics for the 12 months rolling period for month of July to allow for 30-day notice prior to the anniversary date of this Contract. Annual increase will not exceed 4% in the second and subsequent years.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, Contractor may request to city modification in rates to account for any increase in costs due to uncontrollable circumstances, including, without limitation, changes in local, state, or federal laws or regulations, disposal or processing costs, third party transportation costs, imposition of taxes, fees or surcharges, municipal franchise fee increases and acts of God such as floods, fires, etc.

This will include all residential services provided by our company. The current US Bureau of Labor Statistics Labor Consumer Price Index is attached.

Year	1/1/2024-12/31/2024	2/1/2025-12/31/2025
CONTRACTED RESIDENTIAL RATES (Billed by City)		
96 Gal - Trash ONLY 1x/wk.	$ 11.25	$ 11.82
CONTRACTED RESIDENTIAL RATES (Billed by Contractor)		
Additional Cart	$ 5.00	$ 5.25

Thank you for trusting in us and please reach out with any questions or concerns.

Respectfully,

Larry Smith

Municipal Services Manager

CC: Kevin Gardner, Director Municipal Affairs

U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

Consumer Price Index - Garbage and Trash Collection

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Table 2. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): U. S. city average, by detailed expenditure category

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[1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted]

Expenditure category	Relative importance Sep. 2024	Unadjusted percent change		Seasonally adjusted percent change		
		Oct. 2023-Oct. 2024	Sep. 2024-Oct. 2024	Jul. 2024-Aug. 2024	Aug. 2024-Sep. 2024	Sep. 2024-Oct. 2024
Garbage and trash collection(1)(10)	0.327	4.0	0.3	0.3	0.6	0.3

Footnotes

(1) Not seasonally adjusted.
(2) Indexes on a December 1997=100 base.
(3) Special index based on a substantially smaller sample.
(4) Indexes on a December 2007=100 base.
(5) Indexes on a December 2005=100 base.
(6) Indexes on a December 1986=100 base.
(7) Indexes on a December 1993=100 base.
(8) Indexes on a December 2009=100 base.
(9) Indexes on a December 1990=100 base.
(10) Indexes on a December 1983=100 base.
(11) Indexes on a December 2001=100 base.
(12) Indexes on a December 2019=100 base.
(13) Indexes on a December 1982=100 base.
(14) Indexes on a December 1996=100 base.

12-Month Percent Change
Series Id: CUUR0000SEHG02,CUUS0000SEHG02
Not Seasonally Adjusted
Series Title: Garbage and trash collection in U.S. city average, all urban consumers, not seasonally adjusted
Area: U.S. city average
Item: Garbage and trash collection
Base Period: DECEMBER 1983=100

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Year	Oct
2021	5.3
2022	5.8
2023	6.5
2024	4.0