

City Council  
April 15, 2026  
5:30 pm

The Atlantic City Council met in regular session in the Council Chambers at City Hall with Mayor Robert Clausen presiding. Council members were present: Emily Kennedy, Mike McDermott, Jim Behrens, Shawn Sarsfield, Dana Halder, Elaine Otte, and Jeremy Butler.

Motion by Sarsfield; second by Butler to approve agenda as posted. All ayes. Motion carried.

Council recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Behrens; second by McDermott to approve consent agenda as follows: Minutes of both meetings on April 1, 2026, Class C liquor license for Winetime LLC and JB24LLC along with bills totaling \$129,825.11. All ayes. Motion carried.

Public forum: No Speakers

Presentation by Dolly Bergmann regarding the Tree City USA award and proclamation by Mayor Clausen. 30 years of success, 5,000 trees and savings of approximately \$200,000 in cost by receiving the Tree City USA grants.

Motion by Otte to approve order to close 6th Street between Poplar Street to Chestnut Street every Thursday evening from 3:00 P.M. to 7:30 P.M. Beginning June 4, 2026, through September 24, 2026, for Produce in the Park. Additionally, that during the Same Period, on Thursdays, from 4:00 P.M. to 6:30 P.M. that Chestnut Street not be closed for other events and furthermore allow for a Produce in the Park Banner to be allowed across Chestnut Street late May through mid- October. Second by Kennedy. All ayes. Motion carried.

Mayor Clausen called for a motion to open the public hearing on the adoption of the Fiscal Year 2027 Budget for the City of Atlantic. McDermott moved to open the hearing, seconded by Sarsfield. No comments written or verbal were made. McDermott moved to close the hearing, seconded by Behrens; All ayes, motion carried.

Butler moved to approve Resolution #23-26 "Adopting the Fiscal Year 2027 Budget for the City of Atlantic." Seconded by Behrens. All ayes, motion carried.

Mayor Clause called for a motion to open the public hearing on the adoption of the 2027-2037 Ten-Year Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). Sarsfield moved to open the public hearing, seconded by Halder. No comments written or verbal were received, McDermott moved to close the public hearing, seconded by Kennedy. All ayes, motion carried.

Otte moved to approve resolution #24-26 "Adopting the 2027-2037 Ten-Year Capital Improvement Plan (CIP).", seconded by Butler. All ayes motion carried.

Kennedy moved to approve resolution #25-26 "Setting salaries for appointed officers and employees of the city of Atlantic, Iowa for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027 and adopting wages for

seasonal/part-time parks & recreation, airport, and street employees for the 2026 season.” Sarsfield seconded the motion. All ayes motion carried.

Behrens moved to approve resolution #26-26 “Amending Series 400 Code 405 Sick Leave Retirement Benefits in the City Personnel Handbook.” Seconded by Butler. All ayes motion carried.

City Administrator John Lund made a recommendation to the council to sell the city owned property located at 411 Birch Street to Paul and Kristi Wegner for the construction of a new home with the estimated value of \$300,000. McDermott moved to approve the sale and Kennedy seconded the motion. All ayes motion carried.

Motion by Sarsfield; second by McDermott to adjourn at 6:20 p.m. All ayes. Motion carried.

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Mayor Robert Clausen

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Jackie Carl, City Clerk