

City Council
January 21, 2026
5:30 pm

The Atlantic City Council met in regular session in the Council Chambers at City Hall with Council member McDermott presiding. Council members present were: Otte, Behrens, Sarsfield (via phone), Halder and Butler. Absent: Mayor Clausen, and Council member Kennedy

Motion by Behrens; second by Halder to approve agenda as posted. All ayes. Motion carried.

Council recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Butler; second by Halder to approve consent agenda as follows: Minutes of the January 7, 2026, City Council meeting; Class C Retail Alcohol License with Outdoor Services – Plaza Azteca; Tree Trimmer Permit – Iowa Timber Solutions, and bills totaling \$220,356.92. All ayes. Motion carried.

Public forum: No Speakers

Motion by Behrens; second by Butler to approve Resolution #02-26 “Authorizing and Approving a Certain Loan Agreement, Providing for the Issuance of General Obligation Corporate Purpose and Refunding Bonds, Series 2026A and Providing for the Levy of Taxes to Pay the Same.” Ayes: Behrens, McDermott, Halder, Butler, Otte, Sarsfield. Nays: None Motion carried.

Motion by Butler; second by Halder to approve Resolution #03-26 “Authorizing and Approving a Certain Loan Agreement, Providing for the Issuance of Taxable General Obligation Corporate Purpose Bonds, Series 2026B and Providing for the Levy of Taxes to Pay the Same.” Ayes: Butler, Behrens, McDermott, Sarsfield, Halder, Otte. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Behrens; second by Butler to approve Resolution #04-26 “Appointing Rich Tupper as Acting City Clerk for Atlantic Iowa.” Ayes: Behrens, McDermott, Sarsfield, Halder, Otte, Butler. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Butler; second by Halder to approve Resolution #05-26 “Establishing Signatories to City Checks and Payables.” Ayes: Halder, Otte, Butler, Behrens, McDermott, Sarsfield. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Halder; second by Otte to approve Resolution #06-26 “Approving a New Professional Services Agreement with Barb Barrick to Temporarily Provide City Clerk Consulting Services for the City of Atlantic.” Ayes: Halder, Otte, Butler, Behrens, McDermott, Sarsfield. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Butler; second by Halder to approve Resolution #07-26 “Assessing Unpaid Fees and Costs to Property Taxes.” Ayes: Butler, Behrens, McDermott, Sarsfield, Halder, Otte. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Administrator’s Report: Lund talked about the positives and negatives of the Iowa property tax bill. He also reported that Atlantic’s bond rating was good.

City Council Reports: Otte - Chamber of Commerce, CADCO, & Planning and Zoning; Butler – Personnel and Finance, Cemetery; McDermott – Library; Behrens – Personnel and Finance, Ambulance.

Motion by Behrens; second by Halder to adjourn at 6:07 p.m. All ayes. Motion carried.

Council Member/ Acting Mayor McDermott

ATTEST: _____
Rich Tupper, Deputy, City Clerk