



# Regular City of Athol City Council Meeting Held in the Council Room in City Hall

# Tuesday, November 3, 2020 6:00pm Regular Council Meeting

Mayor Hill called the meeting to order at 6:02 P.M He asked visitors to please sign in. ROLL CALL: Present: Mayor Hill; Councilwoman Baldwin; Councilman McDaniel; Councilwoman Denis; Councilman Stack; Clerk/Treasurer, Lori Yarbrough. Not Present: Public Works-Anthony Brandt; Caitlin Kling, Attorney & Rand Wichman, City Planner.

#### REPORTS:

Public Works Report- Anthony submitted written report, he is on vacation. No additional discussion.

## **ACTION ITEMS:**

- 1) APPROVAL OF THE October 20<sup>th</sup> REGULAR MEETING MINUTES:

  Motion by Baldwin, that we approve the last regular meeting on the 20<sup>th</sup>, minutes without amendments.

  \*DISCUSSION All in favor-none opposed. Motion passed. ACTION ITEM
- 2) APPROVAL OF BILLS AS SUBMITTED: Motion by Denis, that we approve paying Nov/Dec. bills as submitted without amendments. \*DISCUSSION-All in favor-none opposed. Motion passed. ACTION ITEM
- 3) DISCUSSION/APPROVAL of an Amendment to the Fatbeam Agreement for the Broadband Grant from the Dept. of Commerce Lori explained to the council the reason for this amendment was to include the cost of the equipment needed, from a 3<sup>rd</sup> party to the Fatbeam agreement. The current agreement with Fatbeam only included their cost to do the work, assuming the city would then pay their 3<sup>rd</sup> party, Ednetics. But after some research and discussion it was agreed that this is something that should be run through Fatbeam and their 3<sup>rd</sup> party vendor. It does not change anything with the grant or the funding, just who gets paid by whom. Motion by Stack, to approve the amendment to the Fatbeam Grant as presented. \*DISCUSSION Roll Call: Councilwoman Denisyes; Councilwoman Baldwin-yes; Councilman McDaniel-yes; Councilman Stack-yes. Motion passed. ACTION ITEM

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None

ANNOUNCEMENTS City Council- none / Mayor-shared his concerns with cloud-based systems, feeling we lose the power to control it and do things. Just something in his personal/professional life that is starting to come up more and wanted to share he has concerns with it. / Staff-Lori shared 1) the X-Mas Gathering at Moon Dollars again his year, on Saturday, Dec. 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm. 2) Pelorus Conversion is done and we are working into it well. Not too bad so far and we just processed our first payroll. She thinks we are going to like it. 3) Lori put together a 1-page reference sheet to use as we get calls or inquiries about the water bills going up \$10.00. She was asking for the council to look it over and get back to her if there is anything she missed, or they feel should be changed. Hopefully, it can be useful to

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remind people how we got to where we are with the water billing and a better understand the whole process, as we also have lots of new residents.

ADJOURNMENT at 6:43pm

ATTEST:

Bill Hill, Mayor

Lori Yarbrough, City Clerk/Treasurer

Approved at Council on 11/17/2020