**City of Athens**
**Regular Council Meeting Minutes**
**Date:** July 14, 2025
**Time:** 7:00 PM
**Location:** Athens City Hall

**I. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Chris Reichert

**II. Roll Call**

**Present:**

* Alderman Chernowsky
* Alderman Puma
* Alderman Lantz
* Alderman Leinberger
* Alderman Hoffman
* Alderman Ethell

**Also Present:**

* Police Chief Harmening
* City Manager Derrick Fritz
* Deputy Clerk Monica Brumm
* City Attorney, John Hoblit

**III. Pledge of Allegiance**

* Everyone present participated in the Pledge of Allegiance

**IV. Topics of Discussion**

* Kyle Olsen presented information on the subdivision development and information on a possible food truck park idea.
* Cheyenne Bluett introduced herself and the reasons she would like the City Clerk position.
* Rachel Lantz gave a Cemetery Committee report asking for a $3000 budget to purchase benches for the cemetery and asked that money from the video gaming fund be used. Vote on this will be taken at the next meeting.

**V. Public Comments**

No public comments were made.

**VI. Consent Agenda**

A motion was made by Alderman Lantz and seconded by Alderman Leinberger to approve the consent agenda. Motion was roll called all present in favor voted aye. Motion passed.

**VII. Old Business**

A motion was made by Alderman Puma and seconded by Alderman Hoffman to approve an increase in wages for the Sewer Plant Operator. Motion was roll called all present in favor voted aye. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Alderman Leinberger and seconded by Alderman Chernowsky to accept the Menard County Animal Control Contract for $4019.68. Motion was roll called all present in favor voted aye. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Alderman Chernowsky and seconded by Alderman Lantz to accept the bid from IRC for roadwork for $138,896.50. Motion was roll called all present in favor voted aye. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Alderman Lantz and seconded by Alderman Leinberger to approve Ordinance #07-2025 “AN ORDINANCE REGULATING TEMPORARY HOUSING”. Motion was roll called all present in favor voted aye. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Alderman Hoffman and seconded by Alderman Chernowsky to approved Cheyenne Bluett as City Clerk. Motion was roll called, Alderman Chernowsky, Alderman Puma, Alderman Lantz, Alderman Hoffman, Alderman Ethell voted aye. Alderman Leinberger voted present. Motion passed

Mayor Reichert swore in Cheyenne Bluett as City Clerk.

Discussion was had on the date for City Wide Clean Up.

A motion was made by Alderman Hoffman to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:22 pm.