

April 4, 2016

A regular meeting of the Alta City Council was held on the above date in the Council Chambers of the Alta City Hall. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Mayor Ron Neulieb with the following members present: Pam Henderson, Denny Weber, Vi Tilk, Lee Meyer. Absent: Jerry Buckendahl

Mayor Neulieb moved agenda items #26 into the Library report. The amended agenda was approved on a motion by Weber, seconded by Meyer, with the following members voting aye: Henderson, Weber, Tilk, Meyer. Motion approved.

The March 7 minutes were approved on a motion by Henderson, seconded by Weber, with the following members voting aye: Henderson, Weber, Tilk, Meyer. Motion approved.

Greg Kueny presented an update on the fitness center that is being renovated in the Old High School. Renovation has begun and should be completed this summer. At this point, Citizens of Alta will be able to purchase memberships to the fitness center, which is expected to be open Sept. 1, 2016. The School Board is asking the City of Alta to allocate some money to help pay for the cardio equipment. Mr. Evans then presented on the proposed track improvement project that may take place in the City Park. Since the school leases the land from the City of Alta, the School Board would like to get the City's approval of the project. The School Board is asking the City of Alta to allocate money for the cost of the fence and to help with the demolition of the old track.

Bunjes Landscaping was represented and questioned Ordinance #15-02 and asked why the City of Alta will no longer allow businesses to dump their yard waste at the City-owned yard waste site. The specifics of the Ordinance were discussed. Council Member Weber would like to review the Ordinance and discuss again at the next Council meeting.

The Fire Department, Sheriff's Department, Park Board, and Code Enforcement provided written reports and entertained questions from the Council. The Library Director was absent, but the Mayor recommended appointing Anna Garcia to the Library Board. Henderson motioned to approve Anna Garcia on the Library Board, seconded by Tilk, with the following members voting Aye: Henderson, Weber, Tilk, Meyer. Motion approved. Street Superintendent Pedersen presented a written report of activity. He stated that the Alta Vista Lift Station is need of repair. Pedersen presented two quotes, one from Electric Pump and one from Schoon Construction and Excavating. Weber motioned to approve the quote from Schoon Construction and Excavating in the amount of \$4886.50, seconded by Henderson, with the following members voting Aye: Henderson, Weber, Tilk, Meyer. Motion approved. Pedersen also presented two quotes for a camera security system to be placed at the City-owned yard waste location, one from Best Buy and the other from Pro Elect. Council Member Weber is going to get another quote. This has been tabled until the May Council meeting. The Industrial Board continues to move forward with the demolition of 119 Main St. The Trail's Committee is still awaiting word on the Wellmark BC/BS grant they submitted, and the next meeting is April 20.

Henderson motioned to approve Resolution #16-06, RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT FOR MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF PRIMARY ROADS IN MUNICIPALITIES WITH THE IOWA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, seconded by Tilk, with the following members voting aye: Henderson, Weber, Tilk, Meyer. Whereupon, the Mayor declared the said Resolution #16-06 duly adopted.

Code Enforcer Konradi introduced Ordinance #16-01, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ALTA, IOWA 2014 BY DELETING SECTIONS 15.1 TO 15.13 OF TITLE IV, CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE 15 GENERAL PROVISION AND AMENDING TITLE IV BY ADDING A NEW CHAPTER 5 SNOWMOBILES, ARTICLE 18 GENERAL PROVISIONS. Weber motioned to approve the second reading.

Meyer seconded the motion to adopt, and the roll being called thereon, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Henderson, Weber, Tilk, Meyer

Nays: none

The third reading will take place at the Council Meeting on May 2.

Weber motioned to approve the sale of 0.36 acres from the Outlot #1 of the Maple Creek Addition to Don and Janet Peterson, along with allowing the Mayor to sign the sale agreement which will be recorded with the deed, seconded by Meyer, with the following members voting Aye: Henderson, Weber, Tilk, Meyer. Motion approved. After additional research was done, Henderson motioned to approve allowing AMU to hold one joint meeting of their separate utilities, seconded by Tilk, with the following members voting Aye: Henderson, Tilk, Meyer. Weber voted Nay. Motion approved.

Henderson motioned to reduce the rent to the Alta Community Building by 50% for the Alta FFA. She was then told she could not vote due to a conflict of interest. Therefore, Meyer motioned to reduce the rent to the Alta Community building by 50% for the Alta FFA, seconded by Tilk, with the following members voting Aye: Weber, Tilk, Meyer. Motion approved. More research will be done regarding conflict of interest when voting on certain topics. Tilk motioned to deny the request to reduce the rent of the Alta Community Building by the Alta Boy Scouts/Cub Scouts, seconded by Meyer, with the following members voting Aye to deny the request: Henderson, Weber, Tilk, Meyer. The request was denied due to the Boy Scouts only renting one portion of the Community Building, yet using the entire building.

After much discussion on the authority of the Personnel Committee, Weber motioned to approve Dan Strand as co-Manager of the Alta Community Building, at a rate of \$2000/year, and to hire Doug Quirin as the cleaner of the Alta Community Building, at a rate of \$11/hour with the potential for a raise after a 6-month review, seconded by Tilk, with the following members voting Aye: Henderson, Weber, Tilk, Meyer. Motion approved. Weber motioned to NOT allow renters to bring in their own homemade liquor to the Alta Community Center, even if it is cultural, seconded by Meyer, with the following members voting Aye: Henderson, Weber, Tilk, Meyer. Motion approved.

The Council discussed raising rent fees and updating the current Alta Community Building rental contract. A contract with the suggested changes will be presented at the May meeting for approval.

Henderson motioned to approve sending a letter and giving Parcel Landscaping thirty days to fix their culvert and apron so that it follows the engineered specifications, seconded by Weber, with the following members voting Aye: Henderson, Weber, Tilk, Meyer. Motion approved. Superintendent Pedersen was instructed to get bids on what it would cost the City of Alta to have the work completed if needed.

Due to the lack of use, Weber motioned to have the horseshoe pit area removed from the City Park, seconded by Meyer, with the following members voting Aye: Henderson, Weber, Tilk, Meyer. Motion approved. It is the responsibility of the Park Board to receive bids and hire a contractor to remove the pit area. Henderson motioned to approve the liquor license, including outdoor and Sunday sales for Century Bar, seconded by Weber, with the following members voting Aye: Henderson, Weber, Tilk, Meyer. Motion approved.

The Mayor declared the overnight snow parking ban has been lifted, effective immediately. The 5-year planning has been tabled until the May Council meeting. Henderson motioned to approve the 2016 spring newsletter, with amended changes, and giving a donation of \$75 to the Alta-Aurelia HS boy's track team for distribution, seconded by Tilk, with the following members voting Aye: Henderson, Weber, Tilk, Meyer. Motion approved.

March Bills Payable:

GENERAL FUND:**AMOUNT**

Advanced Systems, Inc.	lease	45.51
Alliant Energy	utilities	17.43
AMU	supplies	43.77
AMU	telephone	260.89
AMU	utilities/postage	1176.05
Amazon	supplies	1463.03
Amazon.com	supplies	27.68
Auditor of State	filing fee	175.00
B.V. Power & Equip.	supplies	177.56
Counsel	contract	83.48
Craig/Steve	training	475.00
Culligan	supplies	71.10
DataTech	training	95.00
Dearborn	Life Insurance	23.50
Demco	supplies	648.76
DesMoines Register	newspaper	55.00
Ebay	supplies	26.99
Feld Fire	supplies	1268.60
First Coop	fuel	241.99
GOES	insurance	25079.02
Holiday Inn Express	conference	985.52
HyVee	supplies	101.62
IMFOA	training	60.00
Ingram	books	641.14
Kreutz/Sara	service	75.00
Langner/Kirk	service	25.00
League of Cities	conference	125.00
N.W. IA. League of Cities	conference	60.00
Peterson/Megan	reimbursement	84.78
Petty cash	postage	11.80
Pitney Bowes	postage meter	133.50
Power Solutions	supplies	386.46
Real Simple	magazine	24.00
Reetz/Heidi	cleaning	100.00
Reetz/Kirk	reimbursement	492.76
S.L. Pilot Tribune	legals	33.16
Stoney Creek Inn	conference	291.54
VanHouten/Morgan	reimbursement	16.03
Wellmark	health insurance	859.69
WIT	training	490.00

36,452.36**ROAD USE TAX FUND:**

ACE Hardware	supplies	36.48
Alliant Energy	utilities	302.49
AMU	telephone	77.84
AMU	utilities	3160.22
Arnold Motor Supply	supplies	1.87
Bomgaars	supplies	112.88

Continental Research Group	supplies	1180.00
Dearborn	Life Insurance	62.00
Dale Wetherell Trucking	supplies	2804.98
First Coop	fuel	1370.09
Frank Dunn Co.	supplies	749.00
GOES	insurance	8748.02
Hirschman Auto	service	41.32
I&S	engineering	2500.00
I-State Truck Center	supplies	103.98
Konradi/Tom	reimbursement	53.43
Rasmussen Ford	service	568.62
Vetter Equipment	supplies	159.84
Wellmark	health insurance	2,779.98
Ziegler	auto supplies	218.70
		<u>25,031.74</u>

SEWER RENT FUND:

AeroMod	supplies	917.58
Alliant Energy	utilities	369.09
AMU	telephone	75.72
AMU	utilities	1,964.08
Bomgaars	supplies	80.95
CCP	supplies	114.24
Control System Specialists	UPS charges	13.00
ERA	supplies	489.64
Fareway	supplies	36.87
Foundation Analytical	testing	540.00
GOES	insurance	12,761.18
GPM	supplies	599.50
Hach	supplies	958.25
IAWEA	training	90.00
Mangold	testing	116.25
USDA	loan payment	12,686.00
		<u>31,812.35</u>

COMMUNITY BLDG FUND:

Alliant Energy	utilities	645.9
Ambert/Ronnie	refund	250
AMU	telephone	73.17
AMU	utilities	655.55
Arnold Motor Supply	supplies	14.20
Bomgaars	supplies	41.02
Doll Distributing	beverages	635.05
Eddie/Sara	bartending	74.31
GOES	insurance	5,014.07
Hinners/Ben	bartending	61.50
HyVee	supplies	50.42
Johnson Brothers	beverages	244.40
Johnson/JoAnn	cleaning	126.00
Schoolfix.com	supplies	91.80

Scooters	supplies	275.50
Strand/Dan	bartending	110.67
Woltman/Dale	bartending	69.19
		8,432.75

SOLID WASTE FUND:

AMU	utilities	55.98
First Coop	fuel	179.54
GOES	insurance & work comp	2592.66
Rowley Recycle Center	usage/quarterly payment	20234.42
		23,062.60

PAYROLL

March		20824
		145,615.80

REVENUE

General	\$38,932.74
Community Building	\$3,711.87
Road Use	\$19,966.55
Local Option Sales Tax	\$13,839.72
TIF	\$0.00
Debt Service	\$5,118.22
Capital Improvement	\$0.00
Sewer Rent	\$22,217.96
Sewer Sinking	\$653.00
Sewer Reserve	\$1,269.00
Solid Waste	\$14,818.26
	\$120,527.32

After questioning a few claims, Weber motioned to approve the March bills, seconded Meyer, with the following members voting Aye: Henderson, Weber, Tilk, Meyer. Motion approved.

Henderson motioned to reduce the rent to the Alta Community Building by 50% for the Buena Vista County Relay for Life craft show, seconded by Tilk, with the following members voting Aye: Henderson, Weber, Tilk, Meyer.

The next meeting will be the regular Council meeting on May 2. Weber motioned to adjourn at 8:48 PM, seconded by Meyer, with the following members voting Aye: Henderson, Weber, Tilk, Meyer.

Attest:

Megan Peterson, City Clerk

Ron Neulieb, Mayor