

June 13, 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, Jerry Buckendahl, Denny Weber, Vi Tilk, Lee Meyer. Absent: none

The agenda was approved on a motion by Henderson, seconded by Buckendahl, with the following members voting aye: Henderson, Buckendahl, Weber, Tilk, Meyer. Motion approved.

The May 2 and May 23 minutes were approved on a motion by Henderson, seconded by Weber, with the following members voting aye: Henderson, Buckendahl, Weber, Tilk, Meyer. Motion approved.

Martin Glienke was presented representing the Alta Golf and Country Club. He said the golf course has been busy cleaning up brush and trees. He asked if the City could finish cleaning up the rubbish, including ash, large stumps and railroad ties. Overall, he believes this will be about 4-5 truckloads. Henderson motioned to allow additional burning, with the City cleaning up the ash, seconded by Meyer, with the following members voting aye: Henderson, Buckendahl, Meyer. Weber chose to abstain since she he is on the Golf Board, and Tilk chose to abstain since she is Club House Manager. Motion carried. The Council then reminded Mr. Glienke to notify the BV County Comm Center before they burn.

The Library, Fire Department, Sheriff's Department, Park Board, Street Department and Code Enforcement provided written reports and entertained questions from the Council. Kirk Reetz, Fire Chief, said the training burn went very well. He also clarified that the City of Alta will often call for mutual aid because we only have a 2000 gallon tanker, so at any given event, more may be needed. No Engineer was present to give a report. Deputy Anderson presented the monthly report and stated that the Sheriff's Dept. is short two deputies, so they are taking applications. Andrea Hogrefe, the Library Director reported that today was the first day of the summer program, and they were overwhelmed with 185 people in attendance! No one was present with the Park Board. Superintendent Pedersen presented the Council with a written report. Henderson asked if the City incurred any expenses regarding the final culvert in Industrial Road, in which Pedersen said, "no". Pedersen said the relationship between the City and the County worked very well this past winter in regards to the salt/sand pile. Ross Parcel is just about finished with his culvert work. Pedersen then presented two bids for storm drain tile work. Meyer motioned to accept the low bid of \$5773.08 from SCE, seconded by Buckendahl, with the following members voting aye: Henderson, Buckendahl, Weber, Tilk, Meyer. Motion approved. The report from CTS came back regarding Cyclone Dr. They found there is a lot of moisture in the ground and poor compaction. The next step is to have the Engineer come up with a repair plan. Henderson motioned to approve Z. Lukkes as seasonal, summer help, at a rate of \$10/hour, seconded by Buckendahl, with the following members voting aye: Henderson, Buckendahl, Weber, Tilk, Meyer. Motion approved. The Code Enforcer spoke with the Council about the owner of 218 Buena Vista St. He would like to cut down some trees on the property, and while doing so, he would like to trim some trees on the right of way. This would allow for ease of construction once that starts. The Council agreed he could trim trees to allow for ease of construction, at his expense. The Code Enforcer received some calls regarding the demolition on Main St. He is currently working with the owner of the demolition property, as well as the adjacent property owner, to assure that there is good communication between the two of them. The proper DNR permitting has been obtained by the Industrial Corp. A short discussion took place regarding the Westview Trailer Park and what can be done to clean it up. The Mayor gave his report. It was another busy month full of meetings. Henderson reported on behalf of the trail's committee. Letters were sent out to abutting property owners and they are waiting to hear responses. They are waiting on the State Farm Grant, which will be announced in Sept. The next meeting is June 16 at 5:30.

Weber motioned to approve tobacco permits for Casey's General Store, Kimmes Enterprises, and Century Bar, effective July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017, seconded by Tilk, with the following members voting

aye: Henderson, Buckendahl, Weber, Tilk, Meyer. Motion approved. Henderson motioned to approve the liquor license, including outdoor service and Sunday service for Scooters Bar and Grill, seconded by Weber, with the following members voting aye: Henderson, Buckendahl, Weber, Tilk, Meyer. Motion approved.

The Council discussed finding some funds for the help with the school-owned Alta Fitness Center. Weber felt we should be spending money on infrastructure, rather than other projects. Clerk Peterson pointed out a few accounts in the general fund that have a surplus, with only 3 weeks remaining in this fiscal year. Meyer motioned to donate \$1500 out of the Shelter House account, seconded by Buckendahl, with the following members voting aye: Henderson, Buckendahl, Tilk, Meyer. Weber voted nay. Motion approved. Mayor Neulieb had spoken to school Superintendent Evans regarding the school and what their wishes were of the City for the track renovation. The City will need to move the tornado siren, as well as the bases for the flag poles that the VFW puts out around the track. Discussion took place that the City employees can provide some manpower and vehicles and equipment to help tear out the current fence poles and old track.

Council Member Tilk left the meeting at 7:30 PM.

Henderson motioned to approve the amended Alta Community Center Contract, effective July 1, 2016, seconded by Buckendahl, with the following members voting aye: Henderson, Buckendahl, Weber, Tilk, Meyer. Contract approved. Clerk Peterson is going to look into a professional decorator's agreement and possibly make some additional changes.

Much discussion took place regarding the annual fire hydrant maintenance payment from the Fire Department to the Alta Municipal Utilities for what is thought to be the repair and replacement of fire hydrants throughout town. Tilk provided the Council with a list of current hydrants, and the ones that are to be replaced this year. As time permits, AMU will assess the condition of each hydrant and he will contact Brown Supply to start a maintenance program. Henderson motioned to leave the program as is, giving \$6356, annually, to the Alta Municipal Utilities for repair and replacement of fire hydrants. This is to be reviewed annually. Motion was seconded by Weber, with the following members voting aye: Henderson, Buckendahl, Weber, Tilk, Meyer. Motion approved.

May Bills Payable:

<b><u>GENERAL FUND:</u></b>		<b><u>AMOUNT</u></b>
Advanced Systems, Inc.	lease	54.61
Ahlers & Cooney	service	315
Alliant Energy	utilities	16.82
Alta Comm. School	newsletter distribution	75
Alta Municipal Utilities	telephone	279.4
Alta Municipal Utilities	utilities	1131.08
Amazon.com	supplies	654.76
Aurelia Lumber	supplies	64.02
B&L Stump	stumps	682
Blue Lake Websites	service	129.98
Bomgaars	supplies	108.32
Buena Vista County Sheriff	payment	25399.9
Central Iowa Dist.	supplies	723.7
Continental Research Corp.	supplies	2074.34
Counsel	supplies	73.95
Culligan	supplies	86.55
DeMan/Willie	reimbursement	117.66
Demco	supplies	151.38

Fareway	supplies	607.09
First Coop	supplies	1209.58
Halogen Supply	supplies	185.85
Hirschman Auto	service	218.38
Hogrefe/Andrea	reimbursement	114.24
HyVee	supplies	78.25
I&S Group	engineering	379.92
ICCC	training	15.00
Ingram	books	195.64
Iowa League of Cities	Clerk School	375.00
Iowa League of Cities	workshop	40.00
Kuhrts Sharpening	service	32.00
Library - Petty Cash	supplies	42.01
North Lake Truck Repair	service	66.92
NWIPDC	supplies	20.71
Office Elements	supplies	29.75
Petty Cash	starter money	250.00
Pitney Bowes	supplies	61.19
Power Solutions	service	972.34
Recorded Books	supplies	103.47
Reetz/Heidi	service	100.00
RJThomas	supplies	1410.00
S.L. Pilot Tribune	legals	161.04
Summer Baseball Fund	supplies	408.00
Swimming Pool Supply	chair lift	5766.95
Training Resources	training	20.00
Treasurer's Office	training	50.00
Turnquist/Laura	reimbursement	10.24
USBank	service	52.49
USDA	loan	12686.00
Walmart	supplies	9.98
Wede's Lock Service	supplies	263.00
Wellmark	June premiums	3039.67

**61,113.18**

**ROAD USE TAX FUND:**

Ace Hardware	supplies	6.37
Alliant Energy	utilities	39.07
Alta Municipal Utilities	telephone	89.41
Alta Municipal Utilities	utilities	2960.72
Arnold Motor Supply	supplies	6.63
Aurelia Lumber	supplies	196.10
Barco	supplies	92.62
B&L Stumps	stumps	165.00
Bomgaars	supplies	74.83
BV Stationary	supplies	138.58
Casey's	supplies	18.97
Chicago Central RR	payment	14091.09
Control Systems	service	12.28
Fargo Tractor	supplies	66.35

First Coop	fuel	1131.61
Konradi/Tom	reimbursement	70.92
Petty Cash	newsletter dist.	100.00
Rasmussen Ford	service	44.96
Redings Gravel	supplies	693.99
Wedde's Lock Service	supplies	10.00

**20,009.50**

**SEWER RENT FUND:**

Ace Hardware	supplies	2.95
Alliant Energy	utilities	96.62
Alta Municipal Utilities	telephone	79.01
Alta Municipal Utilities	utilities	2,290.66
Arnold Motor Supply	supplies	10.06
Bomgaars	supplies	180.71
Central Iowa Televising	service	3,000.48
Fareway	supplies	36.87
Fed Ex	postage	20.74
Ferguson Enterprises	supplies	116.13
First Coop	fertilizer	113.33
Foundation Analytic	grab	75.00
Hach	supplies	402.96
Mangold	testing	669.00
Nelson's Vet Supply	supplies	49.70
Power Solutions	service	1,404.38

**8,548.60**

**COMMUNITY BLDG FUND:**

Alliant Energy	utilities	247.15
Alta Municipal Utilities	telephone	72.95
Burke Engineering	supplies	50
Continental Research Corp.	supplies	518.58
Control Systems	supplies	907.64
Doll Distributing	beverages	559
First Coop	fertilizer	11.37
Hill/Paul	refund	250
Hinners/Ben	bartending	148.63
HyVee	supplies	253.20
Iowa ABD	liquor license	1,482.00
Johnson/JoAnn	cleaning	285.00
Peterson/Carla	refund	662.50
Pudenz/Cindy	refund	250.00
Schmidt/Clifford	refund	250.00
Strand/Dan	reimbursement	97.77
Strand/Dan	contract	1,000.00
Underwood/Brian	bartending	184.50
Wedde's Lock Service	supplies	393.50

**7,623.79**

**SOLID WASTE FUND:**

First Coop	fuel	300.28
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RJThomas	supplies	33
Rowley Recycling Center	usage	3370.88
Storm Lake Hydraulics	supplies	267.49
		<b>3,971.65</b>

**CAPITAL PROJECTS:**

Banker's Trust	loan payment	41,960.00
Heritage Bank	loan payment	20,300.00
		<b>62,260.00</b>

**PAYROLL**

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**185,790.40**

**REVENUE**

General	\$29,056.68
Community Building	\$2,486.42
Road Use	\$14,903.86
Local Option Sales Tax	\$13,839.72
TIF	\$124.72
Debt Service	\$2,764.92
Capital Improvement	\$0.00
Sewer Rent	\$21,196.97
Sewer Sinking	\$653.00
Sewer Reserve	\$1,269.00
Solid Waste	\$14,403.03

**\$100,698.32**

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

Kirk Reetz reminded the Council that there will be a Business After Hours for Ready, Set, Grow at their new location, on Tuesday, June 21.

The next meeting will be the Regular Council meeting on July 11. Henderson Weber to adjourn at 8:40 PM, seconded by Meyer, with all members voting aye.

Attest:

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Megan Peterson, City Clerk

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Ron Neulieb, Mayor