

Sept. 12, 2017

A regular meeting of the Alta City Council was held on the above date at the Council Chambers of the City of Alta. The meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM by Mayor Ron Neulieb, with the following members present: Pam Henderson, Denny Weber, Vi Tilk, and Lee Meyer. Absent: Jerry Buckendahl.

Weber moved and Tilk seconded to approve the agenda, with the following members voting aye: Henderson, Weber, Tilk and Meyer. Motion carried. Henderson moved and Meyer seconded to approve the amended minutes from the Aug. 7 Council meeting, with the following members voting aye: Henderson, Weber, Tilk, and Meyer. Motion carried.

The Mayor announced that this was the time and the place for the Public Hearing on amending the 2015 Alta Zoning Ordinance, Section 11.5 Fences, Walls, and Hedges and opened the hearing at 4:02 PM. The taxpayers were heard for and against the said estimates as follows: Chris LeDoux, a member of the Planning and Zoning Board, said the P&Z had not had the opportunity to read the proposed amendment. Weber requested a vote from the P&Z and recommended the 1st reading to be tabled until then. The Mayor closed the hearing at 4:05 PM.

The Mayor announced that this was the time and the place for the Public Hearing on amending 2015 Alta Zoning Ordinance, Section 11.14 Recreational Vehicles and Section 12.2 General Parking Requirements and opened the hearing at 4:05 PM. After hearing some comments from the Public, Weber asked to have "or enclosed trailer intended to haul or transport recreational vehicles" removed from paragraph 6 of Section 1 of Section 11.14. The Mayor closed the hearing at 4:14 PM, and tabled the 1st reading of the Ordinance until the P&Z could edit the amendment.

The Mayor announced that this was the time and the place for the Public Hearing on amending the 2014 Code of Ordinances, Title III, Chapter 1, Article 4, section 4.03 Fireworks and replacing with a new section 4.03 Fireworks and by adding a new section 4.03A Consumer Fireworks and opened the hearing at 4:15 PM. The taxpayers were heard for and against the said estimates as follows: none. The Mayor closed the hearing at 4:16 PM.

Weber introduced Ordinance #17-05 entitled AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ALTA, IOWA 2014 BY REPEALING TITLE III, CHAPTER 1 MISDEMEANORS, ARTICLE 4 – PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY, SECTION 4.03 FIREWORKS AND REPLACING WITH A NEW SECTION 4.03 FIREWORKS AND BY ADDING A NEW SECTION 4.03A CONSUMER FIREWORKS, and moved for its adoption, seconded by Meyer. After due consideration, the roll was called and the following vote recorded: Ayes- Henderson, Weber, Tilk, Meyer. Nays- None. The first reading was approved and the second reading of the Ordinance will take place on Oct. 2, 2017.

Kaleb Rasmussen presented historical information on Drainage District (D.D.) #125 in South West Alta. His cohort, Brian Bloom, explained to the Council how to dissolve a drainage district. At this time, Mr. Bloom felt D.D. #125 was eligible to be dissolved. If more action is going to take place to dissolve D.D. #125, Henderson suggested the Council use the City Attorney on this issue, since he does have experience with drainage districts. Weber moved and Meyer seconded to look in to dissolving the drainage district some more, with the following members voting aye: Henderson, Weber, Tilk, and Meyer. Motion carried. Kirk Reetz presented a written Fire Department report. It was a busier month than normal. Dan Cameron gave his resignation after 25 years on the Department. Weber moved and Meyer seconded to table the 28E until next meeting so the Trustees can look over the proposed 28E by the City Attorney, with the following members voting aye: Henderson, Weber, Tilk, and Meyer. Motion carried. Henderson moved and Meyer seconded to approve Shane Schreck to the Alta Fire Department, with the following members voting aye: Henderson, Weber, Tilk, and Meyer. Motion carried. Officer Chavez presented the written Sheriff's report. He mentioned they picked up school patrol now that school is in session. They are currently down 2 deputies, and are looking for applicants. No one was present for the Library Report.

Randy Erickson presented a written report for the Park Board. Brad Pedersen presented the Street Superintendent report. They are working on E. 1st St. and will replace the sidewalk on the south side of City Hall. Pedersen entertained questions from the Council. Code Officer Boyd presented a written report. The trailer court is being cleaned up. A house in Maple Creek will be built soon. Tilk asked about the "barn" being built by Kim Piercy. Boyd said the Board of Adjustment approved Mr. Piercy building the barn taller than Code. The Council was quite surprised the BOA approved the variance. Henderson suggested letting the BOA know of the Council's unhappiness. Henderson moved and Tilk

seconded sending it back to the BOA to review the height and the setback, with the following members voting aye: Henderson, Weber, Tilk, and Meyer. Motion carried. Meyer recommended enforcing the \$750 fine, since Mr. Piercy started building without a permit and then did not follow the approved permit or plans. City Attorney Murray approached the Council and reviewed the survey that was presented regarding the Koth/Sorenson lot split. Dale Sorenson was present, along with his Attorney. Henderson moved and Weber seconded to approve all three surveys, including Parcel #1 (1.14 acres) along with easement #4, Parcel #2 (0.30 acres) and Parcel #3 (0.22 acres), contingent upon the City Attorney receiving all final, signed documents, with the following members voting aye: Henderson, Weber, and Meyer. Tilk abstained from voting due to a conflict of interest. No one presented on behalf of the Industrial Board.

Councilmember Meyer left the meeting at 5:55 PM. The Mayor reported he had a busy month. Henderson reported, on behalf of the Trail’s Committee, that the surveys have been turned in and are currently being tabulated. Tom Lane and Nona Sand presented on behalf of the Westview Trailer Park. They said the cleanup continues. A dumpster was brought on site and filled and hauled away. They are looking to bring in a second dumpster. Trinity Lutheran Church spent some time on Sunday raking and hauling about 10 loads of grass, leaves, and branches away. Summit Church plans to go out on Sunday, Sept. 17 to do maintenance to some trailers. Henderson moved to pay ½ of the first dumpster bill of \$356.47, but failed due to a lack of a second.

Weber moved to approve Resolution #17-03 Street Finance Report, seconded by Tilk, with the following members voting aye: Henderson, Weber, and Tilk. Motion carried. Weber moved to cancel the contract with ElderBridge Services for Senior Meals, and move forward offering meals at WelCov, seconded by Tilk, with the following members voting aye: Henderson, Weber, and Tilk, Motion carried. Tilk moved to approve the renewal of the beer and wine license for Buffalo Ridge Café, seconded by Henderson, with the following members voting aye: Henderson, Weber, and Tilk. Motion carried. Henderson moved to approve Tyler VanHouten to the Board of Trustees, seconded by Weber, with the following members voting aye: Henderson, Weber, and Tilk. Motion carried. Henderson moved to approve the sidewalk replacement grant request by Edith Brake, seconded by Tilk, with the following members voting aye: Henderson, Weber, and Tilk. Motion carried. Weber moved to approve Clerk Peterson to attend the fall DataTech training and IMFOA conference, seconded by Tilk, with the following members voting aye: Henderson, Weber, and Tilk, Motion carried.

The Mayor will talk with Aronson Plumbing about some other options to improve the stools at the Alta Community Building. A flushometer would be ideal, but they would need to tear out the wall to change the size of the water line.

GENERAL FUND:		AMOUNT
Alliant Energy	utilities	623.27
AMU	telephone	396.08
AMU	utilities/postage	2133.64
Bomgaars	supplies	23.25
Boyd/Craig	mileage	69.55
Buena Vista Co. Sheriff	contract	26684.50
Buena Vista Co. Treasurer	property taxes	1064.00
Center Pointe	supplies	1191.36
Counsel	copies	77.12
Culligan	water	43.05
Data Tech	training	95.00
Ed Feld Fire	service	600.00
FedEx	service	60.99
First Coop	fuel	241.31
Holm/April	refund	48.05
IMFOA	fall conference	125.00
Ingram	supplies	200.37

Johnson/JoAnn	cleaning	206.26
Kuhrts Sharpening	service	16.00
Lake Animal Hospital	strays	150.00
Manteufel/Kris	refund	18.00
Murray & Murray	legal	580.00
NeoTek	service	521.50
NW IA. League of Cities	meetings	100.00
Olsen Welding	service	300.00
Petty Cash-Library	postage	15.32
Pilot Tribune	legals	654.72
Recorded Books	supplies	63.00
Reetz/Heidi	cleaning	100.00
Scheldrup Blades	legal	15.00
USBank	contract	43.97
USPS	returned mail fee	0.58
VECTOR	FY18 dues	3585.07
Wellmark BC/BS	health insurance	1449.88
		41495.84

ROAD USE TAX FUND:

Ace Hardware	supplies	11.24
Alliant Energy	utilities	38.46
Alta Implement	supplies/service	53.39
AMU	telephone	34.90
AMU	utilities	734.14
Arnold Motor Supply	supplies	58.99
Bomgaars	supplies	159.74
Diamond Vogel	supplies	462.05
First Coop	fuel	493.40
Gullwing	supplies	426.40
ISG	engineering	400.00
Wellmark BC/BS	health insurance	3893.27
Ziegler Cat	service	4857.74
		6754.74

SEWER RENT FUND:

AeroMod	supplies	923.77
Alliant Energy	utilities	21.90
AMU	telephone	80.70
AMU	utilities	2718.59
AquaFix	supplies	732.28
Bomgaars	supplies	10.62
Fareway	supplies	29.88
Foundation Analytical	testing	75.00
Hach	supplies	360.76
ISG	engineering	1023.92
USDA	loan payment	12686.00
		18663.42

COMMUNITY BLDG FUND:

Alliant Energy	utilities	21.90
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AMU	telephone	76.20
AMU	utilities	1509.16
Aronson Plumbing & Heating	service	130.82
Chesterman's	supplies	131.25
Doll Distributing	beverages	2324.05
Hinners/Ben	bartending	271.01
HyVee	supplies	1896.64
Jacuinde/Yadira	bartending	82.00
Johnson Brothers	supplies	209.82
Marshall/Kevin	bartending	140.94
Schubert/Carla	bartending	71.75
Scooters	supplies	234.79
St. Joseph Catholic church	supplies	100.00
Underwood/Brian	bartending	161.44

7361.77

SOLID WASTE FUND:

First Coop	fuel	211.33
North Lake Truck Repair	service	2525.18
Rowley Recycling Center	useage	2865.33

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CAPITAL PROJECTS:

Aurelia Lumber	supplies	261.87
Bomgaars	supplies	8.76
Brown Supply	supplies	606.06
Carroll Const. Supply	supplies	400.13
Olsen Welding	service	321.83
Smith Concrete	supplies	1743.50

3342.15

PAYROLL

August	26114.93
	103256.03

REVENUE

General	46857.78
Community Building	8930.44
Road Use	25213.00
Local Option Sales Tax	16895.98
TIF	0.00
Debt Service	245.94
Library	0.00
Trails	0.00
Sewer Rent	25384.72
Sewer - Short-lived assets	653.00
Sewer Reserve	1269.00
Solid Waste	15022.83

\$140,472.69

After some discussion about particular bills, Weber moved to approve the August claims in the amount of \$103,256.03, seconded by Tilk, with the following members voting aye: Henderson, Weber, and Tilk. Motion carried. During the open forum, Weber asked about how much the holding pond cost, as he was asked by the County. Clerk Peterson will get him the amount. Clerk Peterson was also instructed to look into when we would be eligible for the next CDBG housing rehab grant. The next regular Council meeting will be Oct. 2 at 4:00 PM. There being no further business, Henderson moved to adjourn at 6:35 PM, seconded by Tilk, with the following members voting aye: Henderson, Weber, and Tilk. Motion carried.

Attest:

Megan Peterson, City Clerk

Ron Neulieb, Mayor