

Nov. 8, 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 6:00 PM by Mayor Ron Neulieb, with the following members present: Pam Henderson, Denny Weber, Vi Tilk, and Lee Meyer. Absent: none.

Weber moved, and Meyer seconded, to approve the agenda, with the following members voting aye: Henderson, Weber, Tilk, and Meyer. Motion carried. Weber moved and Tilk seconded to approve the minutes from the Oct. 2 Council meeting, with the following members voting aye: Henderson, Weber, Tilk, and Meyer. Motion carried.

Chief Reetz gave the Fire Department report. He stated this past month was the busiest month on record. They did some community service for Fire Prevention Month. He also noted that they received a Farm Credit grant, and the pipeline has donated money to each Fire District in BV County.

Chris Ledoux questioned what is actually being amended by the current fence ordinance. Discussion took place regarding what the P&Z had approved, who was present, and how/when it was approved, etc. Tilk introduced Ordinance #17-03 entitled AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2015 ALTA ZONING ORDINANCE, BY AMENDING SECTION 11.5 FENCES, WALLS AND HEDGES, and moved for its adoption, seconded by Meyer. After due consideration, the roll was called, and the following vote recorded: Ayes- Henderson, Weber, Tilk, and Meyer. Nays- None. The second reading was approved, and the final reading of the Ordinance will take place on Dec. 4, 2017.

Discussion of the RV parking ordinance took place. Weber has been asked by citizens whether those RVs, which are currently parked, will be grandfathered in under this amended ordinance. Under the Attorney's advice, no one will be grandfathered in under this ordinance amendment. Weber introduced Ordinance #17-04 entitled AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2015 ALTA ZONING ORDINANCE, BY AMENDING SECTION 11.14 RECREATIONAL VEHICLES; AND AMENDING SECTION 12.2 GENERAL PARKING REQUIREMENTS, and moved for its adoption, seconded by Henderson. After due consideration, the roll was called, and the following vote recorded: Ayes- Henderson, Weber, Tilk, and Meyer. Nays- None. The second reading was approved, and the final reading of the Ordinance will take place on Dec. 4, 2017.

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 Tilk. After due consideration, the roll was called, and the following vote recorded: Ayes- Henderson, Weber, Tilk, and Meyer. Nays- None. The final reading was approved and, once published, Ordinance #17-05 will be in effect.

Jeff Stewart presented the annual health insurance renewal information. This year, the increase of the health insurance plan is 14.9%, and this includes the increase in the age-banding. He reminded the Council that HMO's are not the best option, since the plans don't usually cross state lines. Blue Cross and Blue Shield dropped the number of PPO plans offered to small groups from 22 to 9. Fortunately, our current plan is still being offered for 2018. Stewart noted that the Utility Board approved renewing the current plan for 2018. No vote was taken, so this will be placed on the Dec. 4 agenda.

The Sheriff's Department provided their monthly written report. The Mayor proclaimed that the overnight, winter parking ban, will be in effect starting immediately. This ban generally runs through April 1. Warnings will be given for the first two weeks. Henderson asked about some burglary calls, and Weber asked about the contract hours. Andrea Hogrefe presented a written report and November calendar for the library board. She reminded the Council that this week is the book fair. No one presented for the Park Board. Street Superintendent provided a written report. Weber asked about the tree inventory, the waterway behind Meyer's house, and the stop sign at Industrial Road. Craig Boyd presented the Code Officer report. He said he is having a problem with people not picking up their certified letters at the post office. He will continue to work on a solution. Tilk suggested after the certified letter gets sent back, Boyd can contact the Sheriff's Department to serve the papers. After being asked, Boyd explained what transpired regarding the 6" walls in the new house in Maple Creek. The Council felt the Board of Adjustment needed to be involved. Boyd

assured them that the other houses that this contractor plans to build will be built with 8" walls. No one was present from the Industrial Board. The Mayor stated he just did regular duties during the month of October. The Trail Committee is not meeting again until Jan. The sidewalk that was going to run East from Main St., north of the school, will not be installed at this time. No one was present on behalf of Westview Trailer Park. The Mayor stated that skirting around some trailers has been fixed, but really nothing more is being done. The past Manager has moved out, so the City is unclear who is in charge of Westview Trailer Park at this time. No one has contacted any City official regarding Westview Trailer Park's monthly meetings.

Henderson moved, and Meyer seconded, to approve the FY17 Urban Renewal Report, with the following members voting aye: Henderson, Weber, Tilk, and Meyer. Motion approved. Tilk moved, and Meyer seconded, to approve the FY17 Annual Financial Report, with the following members voting aye: Henderson, Weber, Tilk, and Meyer. Motion approved. The Council discussed the owner-occupied housing rehab grant target area, but has been tabled until next month to give the Council time to do a dashboard survey of the suggested areas.

Keith Geyer was present to talk to the Council about allocating money to the Industrial Corp so they can oversee Industrial Development for the City of Alta. He would like to see the City give the Industrial Corp the money that had been allocated to the Iowa Lakes Corridor. This way, he can guarantee it would stay in the community, and he feels the Council doesn't want to deal with Industrial Development. After much discussion, the Council agreed they would like to see an agreement in writing, and will consider putting some money aside when budget season comes around.

The Council agreed that they were in favor of the Turkey Trot that the City Cinderellas are putting on. Henderson said that the Chamber is considering purchasing new banners for the street poles in Alta. The Council will consider setting money aside for this during budget season. Meyer moved, and Tilk seconded, to donate \$500 to the Alta Backpack Program, with the following members voting aye: Henderson, Tilk, and Meyer. Weber voted nay. Motion approved. Meyer moved, and Weber seconded, to refund \$200 for the Johnson/Koth wedding due to the condition of the tables and chairs, with the following members voting aye: Weber, Tilk and Meyer. Henderson voted nay. Motion approved. Meyer moved, and Tilk seconded, to approve the sidewalk grant reimbursement request from the United Methodist Church, in the amount of \$175, with the following members voting aye: Henderson, Tilk, and Meyer. Weber abstained due to being a member of the congregation. Weber moved, and Tilk seconded, to approve Kevin Walsh to fill the vacancy left by Jerry Buckendahl on the City Council, with the following members voting aye: Weber, Tilk, and Meyer. Henderson voted nay. Motion approved.

<b>GENERAL FUND:</b>		<b>AMOUNT</b>
Advanced Systems	monthly contract	100.12
Advanced Systems, Inc.	copies/contract	189.36
Alliant Energy	utilities	21.90
Alta Comm. School	yearbook	30.00
Alta Comm. School	service	75.00
Alta Implement	repairs	19.80
AMU	telephone	310.95
AMU	utilities/postage	1,080.25
B.V. County Extension	license	70.00
B.V. County Sheriff	contract	26,684.50
B.V. Power Equipment	supplies	130.00
Bomgaars	supplies	110.72
Boyd/Craig	mileage	58.32
Counsel	copies	82.52
Culligan	water	19.20
DataTech	2018 license	3,058.38
David Peterson Construction	service	6,950.00

Demco	supplies	465.98
Electronic Engineering	service	142.00
Fire Proof Plus	service	10.00
First Coop	fuel	268.94
Hirschman Auto	repairs	230.00
Holiday Inn	conference	285.60
IA. League of Cities	conference	65.00
Ingram	supplies	314.77
Johnson/JoAnn	cleaning	200.00
King/Denise	reimbursement	11.96
Murray & Murray	legal	745.00
Neotek	contract/ink	296.49
NW IA. League of Cities	meeting	45.00
Overhead Door Co.	service	479.21
Peterson/Megan	reimbursement	237.59
Petty Cash-Library	postage	5.94
Power Solutions	contract	600.00
Rasmussens	service	218.61
Recorded Books	supplies	26.99
Reetz/Heidi	cleaning	120.00
Scheldrup & Blades	legals	43.50
S.L. Pilot Tribune	legals	209.44
T.P. Anderson	audit	5,343.79
Turnquist/Laura	reimbursement	4.18
USBank	contract	43.97
Wellmark BC/BS	health insurance	1,449.88
		<b>50,754.74</b>

**ROAD USE TAX FUND:**

Alliant Energy	utilities	37.54
Alpha Wireless	contract	550.00
Alta Body Shop	service	2,761.73
AMU	telephone	36.63
AMU	utilities	924.90
Arnold Motor Supply	supplies	34.59
Barco	supplies	418.62
Bomgaars	supplies	189.85
Elliot Equipment	repairs	2,242.57
EMC Insurance	work comp	112.50
Fastenal	supplies	3.00
Fire Proof Plus	supplies	152.00
First Coop	fuel	867.20
Frank Dunn, Co.	supplies	775.03
Hirschman Auto	service	881.05
Iowa Prison Industries	supplies	113.96
ISG	engineering	648.53
Kueny Chiropractic	service	30.00
Olsen Welding	supplies	16.36
Pedersen/Brad	reimbursement	150.00
VanHouten/Morgan	reimbursement	45.98

Wellmark BC/BS	health insurance	3,893.27
		<b>14,885.31</b>

**SEWER RENT FUND:**

Ace Hardware	supplies	13.58
Alliant Energy	utilities	23.71
AMU	telephone	79.03
AMU	utilities	2,941.77
Control Systems		
Specialists	postage	68.61
Electric Pump	service	300.00
Fareway	supplies	96.73
Fire Proof Plus	supplies	335.00
Foundation Analytical	testing	175.00
Hach	supplies	430.53
HOA Solutions	repairs	3,882.00
IAWEA	meeting	160.00
Ingersoll Rand	service	1,422.50
ISG	engineering	70.00
Mangold	testing	687.75
Power Solutions	supplies	1,146.70
Sioux Valley Env.	supplies	882.00
Transtronics	supplies	104.70
USA Blue Book	supplies	393.41
USDA	loan payment	12,686.00
		<b>25,885.44</b>

**COMMUNITY BLDG FUND:**

Alliant Energy	utilities	21.90
AMU	telephone	81.20
AMU	utilities	974.85
Aronson Plumbing	service	65.50
Central Iowa Dist.	supplies	140.30
Chesterman's	supplies	131.25
Control Systems		
Specialists	service	1,561.17
Doll Distributing	beverages	1,565.05
Hinners/Ben	bartending	135.82
HyVee	supplies	785.14
Jacuinde/Yadira	bartending	233.19
Johnson Brothers	supplies	328.96
Marshall/Kevin	bartending	89.69
P&H Wholesale	supplies	166.88
Schubert/Carla	bartending	102.51
Scooters	supplies	248.73
Strand/Dan	reimbursement	29.73
Underwood/Brian	bartending	240.88
		<b>6,902.75</b>

**SOLID WASTE FUND:**

Fire Proof Plus	service	5.00
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First Coop	fuel	78.19
North Lake Truck Repair	service	1,933.72
Rowley Recycling Center	useage/contract	3,596.68
		<b>5,613.59</b>

**CAPITAL PROJECTS:**

Redings Gravel	supplies	308.39
		<b>308.39</b>

**PAYROLL**

October		24,994.54
		<b>129,344.76</b>

**REVENUE**

General	191,594.78
Community Building	6,551.00
Road Use	16,185.62
Local Option Sales Tax	16,895.98
TIF	21,548.38
Debt Service	20,123.33
Library	0.00
Trails	0.00
Sewer Rent	27,936.37
Sewer - Short-lived assets	653.00
Sewer Reserve	1,269.00
Solid Waste	15,491.08
	<b>318,248.54</b>

After some discussion about certain bills, Meyer moved to approve the October claims in the amount of \$129,344.76, seconded by Henderson, with the following members voting aye: Henderson, Weber, Tilk, and Meyer. Motion carried. Nothing was presented during the open forum. There being no further business, Henderson moved to adjourn at 7:42 PM, seconded by Meyer, with the following members voting aye: Henderson, Weber, Tilk, and Meyer. Motion carried.

Attest:

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Megan Peterson, City Clerk

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Ron Neulieb, Mayor