

Oct. 1, 2018

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 Al Clark, with the following members present: Kevin Walsh, Wes Bunjes, Vi Tilk, and Denny Weber. Absent: Willie Lang.

Weber moved, and Tilk seconded, to approve the agenda, with the following members voting aye: Walsh, Bunjes, Tilk, and Weber. Motion carried. Weber moved, and Walsh seconded, to approve the amended minutes from the Sept. 4 regular meeting, with the following members voting aye: Walsh, Bunjes, Tilk, and Weber. Motion carried.

During the open forum, Robert Knapton introduced himself and said he had been harassed by the Mayor about his fence not meeting City Code. Mr. Knapton admitted the fence used to have livestock panels, but he has since fixed that. Code Officer Hess said the fence is currently in compliance.

Paul Hill was present for an appeal hearing. He received a code violation letter from Code Officer Hess. He appealed the letter because the two previous Mayors and Councils have agreed to let him have his carpentry/construction material at his residence. The violation letter also mentioned the truck and two trailers that are not parked on hard surface, and don't seem to be moving. After much discussion, Weber moved to give an extra 20-day extension to Mr. Hill. Within those twenty days, he is required to spray the weeds underneath the vehicles and provide hard surface parking, air up the tires, and get the two trailers licensed, as well as, relocate the construction materials. The motion was seconded by Tilk, with the following members voted aye: Walsh, Bunjes, Tilk, and Weber. Motion carried. P. Persoon did not attend her appeal hearing. Code Officer Hess presented her violations. Weber moved to grant Ms. Persoon an extra 20-day extension. Within those twenty days, she is required to get rid of the trash on the property and properly fix the garage door. In addition, they are required to repaint their house and repair/demo the garage by June 1, 2019. The motion was seconded by Walsh, with the following members voted aye: Walsh, Bunjes, Tilk, and Weber. Motion carried.

Fire Chief Reetz provided a written monthly report. He noted that the tornado siren activation will now include high winds, above 80 mph. No one was present to give the Sheriff's report, although the monthly report was provided via email. The Council would like a breakdown of violation warnings versus tickets. Andrea Hogrefe gave the library report. She presented the October calendar. She said that they are in need of two board members. Discussion took place about changing the ordinance to include rural library patrons within the school district, rather than those living within City limits. Jim Sanders represented the Park Board and said the basketball court cracks have been fixed. They are looking at new latches for the gates. The Council also agreed to let the Park Board do some trimming within the park, and Willie DeMan will help haul the branches. Street Superintendent Pedersen provided a written report. He stated the garbage truck is set to be delivered by the end of March. Code Enforcer Hess presented his written monthly report. He noted that the Residents of Westview Trailer park are doing very well, so most of his correspondence will now be with the owner to make sure he follows through with the clean up efforts. Councilmen Weber said the Personnel Committee was meeting with four applicants for the Street Department position on Oct. 2. After that, full interviews will take place with the chosen applicants. Mayor Clark updated the Council on his activities the past month. He is having a blueprint drawn up for the Alta Community Building annex. Some talk took place about the jurisdiction of West Highway. Tom Lane reported they are finishing up putting heat tape on pipes and checking for smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. He will also talk to residents about safely using space heaters.

The Council discussed the Alta Community Building rent. Tilk suggested adding in the cost to hire a peace officer, and required all parties to have a peace officer attend the event. No vote was taken. Tilk left the meeting at 7:18 PM. Weber moved to increase the daily rent from \$300 to \$400 for the day of the event. Any additional day rental will increase from \$150 to \$200 for the additional days, with a 4-day special of \$800. The annex will no longer be available for any type of rental. All contract changes are effective 10/01/2018. The motion was seconded by Walsh, with the following members voting aye: Walsh, Bunjes, and Weber. Motion carried.

Walsh moved to pay half of the installation cost, ½ of the monthly maintenance cost, and to purchase 1 button for the City Hall security system quoted by ProElect, if AMU also approves the purchase, seconded by Bunjes, with the following members voting aye: Walsh, Bunjes, and Weber. Motion carried. Weber moved to approve Scooters closing down the sidewalk and the west lane of traffic on Main St., in front of their business for a birthday party on Oct. 13, seconded by

Bunjes, with the following members voting aye: Bunjes and Weber. Walsh abstained due to the party being for his wife. Motion carried. Weber moved to approve an ad in the 2018/2019 high school yearbook for \$30, seconded by Bunjes, with the following members voting aye: Walsh, Bunjes, and Weber. Motion carried. After some discussion about the parking ban, Walsh moved to approve the 2018 fall newsletter after changing the snow ban date to Nov. 1, seconded by Weber, with the following members voting aye: Walsh, Bunjes, and Weber. Motion carried. The Mayor made a proclamation that Trick or Treat will take place on Wed. Oct. 31, from 5:30 – 8:00 PM in the town of Alta.

September Bills:

GENERAL FUND:		AMOUNT
Alliant Energy	utilities	709.58
AMU	telephone/postage	355.12
AMU	utilities	1,080.72
Amazon.com	supplies	1,340.26
B.V. County Recorder	recording	32.00
Bomgaars	supplies	82.92
Cardmember Services	supplies	551.00
Counsel	copies	69.74
Culligan	supplies	23.85
Des Moines Register	newspaper	43.01
Double Tree Hotel	conference	396.48
First Coop	supplies	175.80
Hess/Matt	mileage/reimb.	143.40
Hogrefe/Andrea	reimbursement	22.03
HyVee	supplies	58.85
IMFOA	conferencd	125.00
Ingram	supplies	325.77
Iowa Library Association	conference	226.00
Johnson/JoAnn	cleaning	109.38
Kueny/Maria	reimbursement	175.00
Kuhrts Sharpening	service	15.00
Langner/Julie	reimbursement	177.51
Mack, Hansen, Gadd, Armstrong	legal representation	1,848.00
Meier/Tonja	reimbursement	175.00
MidAmerica Books	supplies	740.69
Neotek	contract	280.00
Peterson/Megan	quarterly reimb.	49.69
Petty Cash - Library	postage	41.92
Pitney Bowes	postage meter	138.24
Reetz/Heidi	cleaning	100.00
Roland/Peter	reimbursement	175.00
S.L. Pilot Tribune	publications	163.24
Xerox Financial Services	lease	14.95
		9,965.15
ROAD USE TAX FUND:		
Alliant Energy	utilities	44.96
AMU	telephone	40.93
AMU	utilities	739.21
Arnold Motor Supply	supplies	36.16
Barco	supplies	98.65

Bomgaars	supplies	116.57
Buena Vista County	supplies	200.00
Central Iowa Dist.	supplies	77.20
First Coop	fuel	683.18
MARC	shop supplies	350.42
P&H Wholesale	supplies	12.69
Rehab Systemts	service	3,162.50
Vetter Equip.	supplies	10.57
Wellmark	insurance	403.73
		5,976.77

SEWER RENT FUND:

Alliant Energy	utilities	34.00
AMU	telephone	87.33
AMU	utilities	2,571.74
Aronson Plumbing	service	171.20
ATCO	supplies	300.00
Cardmember Services	supplies	375.00
First Coop	supplies	262.35
Foundation Analytical	testing	52.50
JJSS, LLC	service	675.00
USA Bluebook	supplies	415.62
USDA	loan payment	12,686.00
		17,630.74

COMMUNITY BLDG FUND:

Alliant Energy	utilities	34.65
AMU	telephone	92.45
AMU	utilities	852.04
Century Bar	supplies	7.50
Ciechenowski/Joey	supplies	87.50
Doll Distributing	beverages	534.00
Hinners/Ben	bartending	307.50
HyVee	bar supplies	1,705.73
Jacuinde/Yadira	bartending	92.25
Janitor's Closet	supplies	274.04
Schubert/Carla	bartending	238.32
Scooter's Bar and Grill	supplies	7.60
Strand/Dan	bartending	102.50
Underwood/Brian	bartending	146.07
		4,482.15

SOLID WASTE FUND:

Arnold Motor Supply	supplies	133.90
First Coop	supplies	509.75
Rowley Recycling Center	useage	15,534.75
Ziegler Cat	supplies	333.32
		16,511.72

CAPITAL PROJECTS:

Bomgaars	supplies	159.50
Hancock	supplies	100.00

Smith Concrete	supplies	3,402.00
		<u>3,661.50</u>
PAYROLL		
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September		25,389.48
		<u>83,617.51</u>

SEPTEMBER REVENUE

General	54,165.54
Community Building	7,687.00
Road Use	27,318.82
Employee Benefits	4,745.28
Local Option Sales Tax	15,986.51
TIF	3,108.50
Debt Service	5,195.54
Library	0.00
Trails	0.00
Sewer Rent	25,697.21
Sewer - Short-lived assets	653.00
Sewer Reserve	1,269.00
Solid Waste	14,613.64
	<u>160,440.04</u>

The ISG claim was taken out of the bills. Weber moved to approve the September claims in the amount of \$83,617.51, seconded by Bunjes, with the following members voting aye: Walsh, Bunjes, and Weber. Motion approved. The next Council meeting will be Monday, Nov. 5, at 6:00 PM at the Alta City Hall. There being no further business, Walsh moved to adjourn at 8:00 PM, seconded by Weber, with the following members voting aye: Walsh, Bunjes, and Weber. Motion carried.

Attest:

Megan Peterson, City Clerk

Al Clark, Mayor