

March 4, 2019

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, Willie Lang, Wes Bunjes, Vi Tilk, and Denny Weber. Absent: none.

Tilk moved, and Lang seconded, to approve the agenda, with the following members voting aye: Walsh, Lang, Bunjes, Tilk, and Weber. Motion carried. Weber moved, and Tilk seconded, to approve the minutes from the Feb. 4 regular meeting and the Feb. 11 and Feb. 19 special meetings, with the following members voting aye: Walsh, Lang, Bunjes, Tilk, and Weber. Motion carried.

Mark Glienke provided the property and liability insurance information. Tilk moved, and Bunjes seconded, to approve the insurance renewal, with the following members voting aye: Walsh, Lang, Bunjes, Tilk, and Weber. Motion carried.

The Mayor announced that this was the time and the place for the Public Hearing on the FY20 Budget and opened the hearing at 6:10 PM. No written objections were received. Glienke asked if the Fire Department budget had changed at all since Chief Reetz last met with the Council, and he was assured it had not. No other objections were heard. The Mayor closed the hearing at 6:13 PM. Walsh introduced Resolution #19-01 next hereinafter set out, and moved that the said resolution be adopted, seconded by Lang; and after due consideration thereof by the City Council, the Mayor put the question upon the motion and the roll being called, the following vote was recorded: Ayes – Walsh, Lang, Bunjes, Tilk, and Weber. Nays – none. Whereupon, the Mayor declared Resolution #19-01 adopted.

Weber introduced the first reading of Ordinance #19-01 entitled AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ALTA, IOWA 2014 BY AMENDING TITLE 1, CHAPTER 5: BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND DEPARTMENTS, ARTICLE 18: FIRE DEPARTMENT, SECTION 18.12; BUDGET, and moved for its adoption and waive the second and third reading, seconded by Tilk. After due consideration, the roll was called, and the following vote recorded: Ayes- Walsh, Lang, Bunjes, Tilk and Weber. The final reading was approved and, once published, Ordinance #19-01 will be in effect. Weber introduced the first reading of Ordinance #19-02 entitled AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ALTA, IOWA, 2014 BY AMENDING TITLE VI, CHAPTER 3: TREES, ARTICLE 8: GENERAL PROVISIONS, SECTION 8.03: REMOVAL OF TREES, and moved for its adoption and waive the second and third reading, seconded by Lang. After due consideration, the roll was called, and the following vote recorded: Ayes- Walsh, Lang, Bunjes, Tilk and Weber. The final reading was approved and, once published, Ordinance #19-02 will be in effect.

Deputy Schreck presented the written Sheriff's report. Mark Glienke provided a written monthly report for the Fire Department. Tilk moved, and Bunjes seconded to approve Blake Lytle to the Fire Department, with the following members voting aye: Walsh, Lang, Bunjes, Tilk, and Weber. Motion carried. Library Director Hogrefe presented the written Library report. Discussion took place regarding discontinuing providing snacks, drinks, and sometimes projects for free, as it would certainly help the budget. Hogrefe said she would talk to the Library Board about it. Randy Erickson presented the minutes from the February Park Board meeting. Street Superintendent Pedersen provided a verbal report for February. Most time was spent with snow removal, sanding, the sewer plant, and working on some of the vehicles. Pedersen said the new garbage truck should be here soon. Pedersen will start getting quotes for a new payloader. Walsh moved, and Tilk seconded, to approve the tree list and have Pedersen use his own discretion for the order of the tree removal, with the following members voting aye: Walsh, Lang, Bunjes, Tilk, and Weber. Motion carried. The Council looked over bids for skid loader attachments. Walsh moved to purchase the stump grinder and rock bucket from Alta Implement and the MB150 jack hammer from Vetter equipment, seconded by Lang, with the following members voting aye: Walsh, Lang, Bunjes, Tilk, and Weber. Motion carried. Code Enforcer Hess presented his written monthly report. The Council spoke with Hess and Tom Lane, Westview Trailer Park Board Member and TeamCan Member, regarding the clean up at the Westview Trailer Park. The first cleanup deadline was not met. Tilk motioned to fine the owner of Westview Trailer Park, Mr. Worbets, \$370 (\$185 per violation), and extend the next deadline 15 days (until March 20), before the 2nd fine of \$670 (\$335 per violation) be enforced, seconded by Bunjes, with the following members voting aye: Lang, Bunjes, Tilk, and Weber. Walsh voted nay. Motion carried. During his report, the Mayor said Evan Grieme, with NW Builders, would like to be on the April agenda to talk about building some single-level duplexes in the Eighth Addition.

The ADA Community Advisory Group was tabled until a later date. Discussion took place regarding how the City of Alta will be able to purchase some newer street department vehicles. The new garbage truck will be here soon. The new pickup truck will be here in about a month. The next vehicle to look at is a new payloader, which hopefully can be purchased in July, 2019. Clerk Peterson is working with Simmering and Cory to change the user fees for the City of Alta. The Council is looking into lowering the garbage fee by \$4/month, and increasing the base fee for sewer by \$4/month. This shouldn't change anything for the Citizens, but will shift the money from the garbage department to the sewer department, hopefully getting the sewer department to operate in the green. Discussion took place about the lack of offstreet parking in Alta. Code Officer Hess was instructed to work with NW Iowa Planning and Development to find the sections in the Code Book to see what would need to be changed. He will report back at the April meeting. Weber moved, and Walsh seconded, to approve the seasonal liquor license for the Alta Golf and Country Club, including outdoor and Sunday sales, with the following members voting aye: Walsh, Lang, Bunjes, and Weber. Tilk abstained due to being the Clubhouse Manager. Motion carried.

February Bills Payable:

GENERAL FUND:		AMOUNT
Alliant Energy	utilities	34.65
Alta Implement	service	118.38
AMU	telephone/postage	416.58
AMU	utilities	2,163.51
Amazon.com	supplies	970.97
Arnold Motor Supply	supplies	2.67
B.V. Co. EMS Assoc.	eDispatch	225.33
B.V. Co. Sheriff	service	27,218.17
Cardmember Services	supplies	300.00
City of Alta - petty cash	postage	27.57
Craig/Steve	training	1,200.00
Continental Research	supplies	630.82
Counsel	copies	82.98
Culligan	supplies	106.65
Des Moines Register	subscription	22.00
Electronic Engineering	supplies	226.95
First Coop	fuel	56.33
Graham Tire	supplies	1,809.84
Graham Tire	supplies	52.00
gWORKS	meeting	100.00
Hess/Matt	mileage	158.92
IA Dept. of Public Health	pool registration	70.00
IMFOA	dues/conference	175.00
Ingram	supplies	156.94
Johnson/JoAnn	cleaning	221.88
MidAmerica Books	supplies	374.16
Mack, Hansen, Gadd, Armstrong	legal	2,662.00
Neotek	contract	396.00
North Lake Truck Repair	supplies	138.86
Olsen Welding	supplies	47.00
Petty Cash- library	postage	27.57
Pitney Bowes	contract	80.74
Reetz/Heidi	cleaning	100.00
S.L. Pilot Tribune	publications	261.36

Steffen Truck Equipment	supplies	218.04
Storm Lake Hydraulics	supplies	16.56
Turnquist/Laura	reimbursement	4.21
USBank	contract	47.05
Wenell/Katie	service	175.00
WITCC	fire school	285.00
Xerox Financial Services	lease	69.24
		<u>41,450.93</u>

ROAD USE TAX FUND:

Ace Hardware	supplies	11.97
Alliant Energy	utilities	409.45
AMU	telephone	42.15
AMU	utilities	1,152.16
Arnold Motor Supply	supplies	154.66
Aronson Plumbing	supplies	78.37
Bomgaars	supplies	79.29
Continental Research	supplies	1,261.67
First Coop	fuel	546.90
Hirschman Auto	supplies	250.98
		<u>3,987.60</u>

SEWER RENT FUND:

Alliant Energy	utilities	561.25
AMU	telephone	95.39
AMU	utilities	2,458.27
Bomgaars	supplies	133.28
Continental Research	supplies	420.56
Fareway	supplies	125.75
Hach	supplies	419.00
Mangold Environmental		
Testing	testing	468.75
P&H	supplies	2.51
USDA	loan payment	12,686.00
		<u>17,370.76</u>

COMMUNITY BLDG FUND:

Allete Clean Energy	refund	50.00
Alliant Energy	utilities	1,037.75
AMU	telephone	96.43
AMU	utilities	551.18
Bomgaars	supplies	257.54
Burke Engineering	supplies	469.20
Cardmember Services	supplies	59.87
Continental Research	supplies	1,261.67
Doll Distributing	supplies	1,297.40
Hinners/Ben	bartending	69.19
HyVee	bar supplies	1,029.67
Johnson Brothers	supplies	237.52
Schubert/Carla	bartending	69.19
Underwood/Brian	bartending	61.50
		<u>6,548.11</u>

SOLID WASTE FUND:

AMU	utilities	116.37
Arnold Motor Supply	supplies	139.27
First Coop	fuel	390.20
Graham Tire	supplies	52.00
Rowley Recycle Center	service	1,874.87
		2,572.71

PAYROLL

February	31,518.25
	103,448.36

FEBRUARY REVENUE

General	15711.84
Trees Forever	0.00
Playground	0.00
Community Building	3531.00
Road Use	20359.91
Employee Benefits	93.65
Local Option Sales Tax	0.00
TIF	0.00
Debt Service	100.46
Library	0.00
Sewer Rent	24336.05
Sewer - Short-lived assets	653.00
Sewer Reserve	1269.00
Solid Waste	15238.50
	81,293.41

After a few questions about particular bills, Weber moved to approve the February claims in the amount of \$103,448.36, seconded by Tilk, with the following members voting aye: Walsh, Lang, Bunjes, Tilk, and Weber. Motion approved. Nothing was presented during open forum. The next meeting will be a Special Council meeting for the presentation by Mr. Oster on Wed. March 27, at 6:30 PM at the Alta Fire Station. There being no further business, Tilk moved to adjourn at 7:45 PM, seconded by Lang, with the following members voting aye: Walsh, Lang, Bunjes, Tilk, and Weber. Motion carried.

Attest:

Megan Peterson, City Clerk

Al Clark, Mayor