

Nov. 7, 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.

Walsh moved, and Weber seconded, to approve the agenda, with the following members voting aye: Walsh, Lang, Bunjes, Tilk, and Weber. Motion carried. Tilk moved, and Bunjes seconded, to approve the minutes from the Oct. 7 regular meeting, and the Oct. 21 special meeting, with the following members voting aye: Walsh, Lang, Bunjes, Tilk, and Weber. Motion carried.

Tilk moved, and Weber seconded, to approve the VFW Community Building usage agreement as presented, with the following members voting aye: Walsh, Lang, Bunjes, Tilk, and Weber. Motion carried. The VFW members present also voted to approve the agreement.

The Sheriff's department provided a written report. Chief Reetz provided a written report and stated that October was a calm month. Weber moved, and Tilk seconded, to approve Arturo Sanchez to the Fire Department. Motion carried with all members voting aye. Library Director Hogrefe presented a written report. She informed the Council that the school's book fair will be held the week of Nov. 11. Jim Sanders presented for the Park Board. He also stated the Park Board has been meeting with the school regarding working together on the playground equipment. Street Superintendent Pedersen presented his written report. There were recent repairs to the street sweeper, and the Council discussed that that piece of equipment should be high on the priority list for next year to purchase a newer one. After a favorable 1-year review, Weber moved, and Tilk seconded to approve the \$0.50/hour raise for T. Lane. The Council discussed advertising for the Code Officer/Community Building cleaner position. Weber moved, and Bunjes seconded to table any advertising until after Jan. 1, 2020. Motion carried with all members voting aye. Walsh moved, and Lang seconded to extend the new construction building incentive until Dec. 31, 2020, with the following members voting aye: Walsh, Lang, Bunjes, Tilk, and Weber. Motion carried. The Mayor read off bids for the painting of the Alta Community Building apartment. Bunjes moved, and Lang seconded, to approve the low bid of \$1655 from Paul Grieme to paint the interior of the apartment. Motion carried with all members voting aye. In the Mayor's report, he stated he had been busy with phone calls, filling in for Code Officer, spoke with Sheriff, and fixed up some damaged cabinets from the Community Building.

Discussion took place regarding a property survey that needs to be recorded by D. Sorenson. The Mayor will talk to the Board of Adjustment to see what they would suggest doing in this situation, as the transaction has already been completed. This has been tabled until the next meeting. Weber moved, and Walsh seconded, to approve the FY19 AFR, with the following members voting aye: Walsh, Lang, Bunjes, Tilk, and Weber. Motion carried. Pedersen provided two samples of logos for the city vehicles. The Council preferred the curved letters. The rough estimate for each sticker is about \$80. Discussion took place regarding the large number of stray cats in town. It is an ongoing problem with many cities. Clerk Peterson was instructed to get the "cat rules" out to the public on Channel 3 and Facebook. More discussion took place regarding security during events at the Alta Community Building. It was pointed out that it was pretty dark on the north end, and maybe we need some lights out there. Tilk moved to renew the current health insurance plan with the 9% increase, seconded by Lang, with the following members voting aye: Walsh, Lang, Bunjes, Tilk, and Weber. Motion carried. Lang moved to approve a \$25/month cell phone reimbursement for all full-time employees and the Fire Chief, effective Nov. 1, seconded by Tilk, with the following members voting aye: Walsh, Lang, Bunjes, Tilk, and Weber. Motion carried. This compensation is for use of personal cell phones during regular business hours, and all will still be respectful of personal cell phones outside of normal working hours. The Council discussed compensation for the City Clerk during the interim without a Code Officer or Community Building Manager. The Clerk was instructed to keep track of hours and more investigation will be done on how to properly compensate. The Mayor proclaimed the snow ordinance in effect. The Sheriff's office will be instructed to give overnight parking warnings until Nov. 18. After Nov. 18, cars parked on the street, overnight, will receive a summons.

October Bills Payable:

GENERAL FUND:		AMOUNT
Alliant Energy	utilities	31.30
Amazon	supplies	304.68
AMU	telephone/postage	409.41
AMU	utilities	754.05
Aurelia Lumber	supplies	371.51
B.V. Glass	service	241.69
B.V. Co. Extension	service	120.00
B.V. Co. Sheriff	contract	25,000.00
Bomgaars	supplies	111.68
Cardmember Services	supplies	496.90
Craig/Sheila	service	150.00
Culligan	supplies	39.75
Danko	service	537.50
Des Moines Register	subscription	26.00
Ed Feld Fire	supplies	9,578.14
EMC	deductibles	834.95
First Coop	fuel/supplies	435.20
gWorks	licensing fee	3,228.88
Hirschman Auto	repairs	200.16
Hogrefe/Andrea	reimbursement	703.57
Ingram	supplies	279.67
Iowan	subscription	24.00
Johnson/JoAnn	cleaning	203.13
Lang/Willie	payroll	138.38
Mid-American Publishing	ad	40.00
Miracle Recreation	supplies	2,147.88
Office Elements	supplies	37.35
Oriental Trading	supplies	20.36
Petty Cash - library	postage	13.54
R&R Electric	service	1,377.67
Reetz/Heidi	cleaning/supplies	100.00
Rent-All	supplies	93.00
S.L. Pilot Tribune	legals	168.52
T.P. Anderson & Co.	audit	2,500.00
USBank	copier contract	151.99
		50,870.86

ROAD USE TAX FUND:

Alliant Energy	utilities	42.74
Alpha Wireless	service	550.00
AMU	telephone	42.15
AMU	utilities	879.35
Arnold Motor Supply	supplies	237.58
Bomgaars	supplies	247.38
Dale B. Wetherell trucking	supplies	1,356.65
Elliot Equipment	supplies	334.43
Fastenal	supplies	19.20
Fire Proof Plus	service	101.50

First Coop	fuel/supplies	1,023.07
Kueny Chiropractic	supplies	300.00
McCormick/Gabe	reimbursement	198.96
North Lake Truck Repair	supplies	25.56
Old Dominion Brush	supplies	814.53
Olsen Welding	supplies	226.10
Theisen/Fred	reimbursement	17.57
Vista Paints	supplies	15.60
		6,432.37

SEWER RENT FUND:

Ace Hardware	supplies	31.99
AeroMod	supplies	240.89
Alliant Energy	utilities	33.59
AMU	telephone	96.62
AMU	utilities	2,562.43
AquaAzul	supplies	1,358.63
Arnold Motor Supply	supplies	28.32
Bomgaars	supplies	129.26
Control Systems Specialists	service	304.56
ERA	supplies	280.76
Fareway	supplies	86.87
Foundation Analytical	testing	1,935.70
Hach	supplies	216.86
Olsen Welding	supplies	68.00
Rehab Systems	service	997.50
USA Bluebook	supplies	1,760.63
USDA	loan payment	12,686.00
		22,818.61

COMMUNITY BLDG FUND:

Alliant Energy	utilities	33.02
AMU	telephone	96.10
AMU	utilities	846.63
Chesterman's	supplies	81.00
Control Systems Specialists	service	2,303.69
Doll Distributing	supplies	803.35
First Coop	supplies	4.65
Hinners/Ben	bartending	199.88
HyVee	supplies	724.61
Schubert/Carla	bartending	97.38
Strand/Dan	bartending	633.26
Ward/Jean	cleaning	439.00
		6,262.57

SOLID WASTE FUND:

RJThomas	supplies	92.40
Rowley Recycle Center	usage & contract	18,350.08
		18,442.48

CAPITAL PROJECTS:

Ace Hardware	supplies	25.75
AmeriGas	supplies	166.40

Blacktop Services	service	39,961.35
Olsen Welding	supplies	118.26
Redings Gravel & Exc.	supplies	728.15
		40,999.91

PAYROLL

OCTOBER		28,747.74
		174,574.54

OCTOBER REVENUE

General	203,104.82
Trees Forever	0.00
Playground	0.00
Community Building	7,518.75
Road Use	23,405.57
Employee Benefits	59,279.81
Local Option Sales Tax	16,691.69
TIF	28,059.05
Debt Service	0.00
Library	0.00
Sewer Rent	28,689.68
Sewer - Short-lived assets	653.00
Sewer Reserve	1,269.00
Solid Waste	11,000.67
	379,672.04

Weber moved to approve the October claims in the amount of \$175,574.54, seconded by Lang, with the following members voting aye: Walsh, Lang, Bunjes, Tilk, and Weber. Motion approved. Nothing was presented during open forum. There being no further business, Walsh moved to adjourn at 7:18 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