

August 3, 2020

A regular meeting of the Alta City Council was held on the above date. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Mayor Kevin Walsh, with the following members present: Pam Henderson, Willie Lang, Les Mann, Tom Lane and Wes Bunjes. Absent: none. The electronic meeting protocol was authorized as a result of Governor Reynolds State Public Emergency Declaration issued on March 20, 2020, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, and referencing Iowa Code 29C.6(6) and Iowa Code 21.8, 26.12, and 414.12 in relation to open meeting laws.

Lang moved, and Lane seconded, to approve the agenda, with all members voting aye. Motion carried. Henderson moved, and Lang seconded, to approve the minutes from the July 6 and July 16 meetings, with all members voting aye. Motion carried.

Nothing was presented under the open forum. Discussion took place regarding the hiring of a Code Officer after background checks were conducted. Henderson moved, and Lang seconded, to hire John Stange at \$18.00/hr, including a 90-day probation period. Motion carried with the following members voting aye: Henderson, Lang, Mann, and Lane. Bunjes voted nay.

Fire Chief Reetz presented a written monthly report for the Fire Department and was available via telephone for questions. The Sheriff's Department submitted a monthly written report. The Park Board provided the minutes from the July meeting, and Chair Heidi Reetz was on the call to answer questions. Aug. 9 will be the last day the pool is open. Henderson moved, and Mann seconded to approve Option #3 in the amount of \$4700 for the chimney repair at the Shelter House, with all members voting aye. The library reported they have moved to summer hours. Clerk Peterson submitted the updated building permit spreadsheet as the Code Officer report. Street Superintendent Pedersen provided a written report and answered Council questions. He reported we have had three tree trimming companies in town and they will continue to work hard through August. Much discussion took place regarding the drainage in the 9th and Cherokee St. area. The Council reviewed the report by ISG and requested Pedersen to get quotes on what it will cost to fix the storm water as suggested by ISG. The insurance claim for the cameras at the sewer plant has been paid. Bunjes moved, and Lang seconded, to purchase a new camera system in the amount of \$14,263.99 from Pro-Elect. Motion carried with all members voting aye. The Mayor provided a written report. Discussion took place regarding the stop signs at 4th and Lake St. Per the City Attorney, the signs should be removed and if the current Council feels like the stop signs should be placed there, the Council must do so by passing a resolution, per the City Code.

Council member Lane will be distributing food in the near future and asked for the Council's help. They will be contacted when an exact date and time are established. The Council did agree to let Lane use coolers at the ballfields or pool for short-term storage of the fresh meat and vegetables. Henderson moved, and Mann seconded, to approve the sidewalk grant application in the amount of \$240 for Betsy Lenz, with all members voting aye. Motion carried. Lang moved to raise the lease with Richard Pedersen for the burn pile from \$1000/year to \$5000/year, seconded by Lane. Motion carried with all members voting aye. Some discussion took place regarding golf carts being driving in town with no flag or slow moving vehicle sign, and by those without a valid driver's license. Mayor Walsh said he would talk to Sheriff Elston about trying to enforce this more. The Council agreed to invite Simmering-Cory to the next Council meeting to explain the codification process.

July Bills Payable:

GENERAL FUND:		AMOUNT
ACE Hardware	supplies	55.95
Alliant Energy	utilities	499.17
Alta-Aurelia Comm School	supplies	50.00
Amazon.com	supplies	351.69
AMU	telephone/postage	582.36
AMU	utilities	2,142.45
AMU	service	6,500.00
Bomgaars	supplies	804.13
B.V. County Attorney	contract	60.30

B.V. County Treasurer	inspection	288.00
B.V. County Sheriff	contract	25,000.00
Cardmember services	supplies	4.82
Central Iowa Distributing	supplies	149.90
Demco	supplies	190.09
Des Moines Register	subscription	26.62
Ed Feld Fire	supplies	1,570.04
Fire Proof Plus	service	36.00
First Coop	fuel/supplies	425.89
Gordon Flesch	service	103.29
Hawkins	supplies	2,886.33
Ingram	supplies	219.65
Janitor's Closet	supplies	62.82
Johnson/JoAnn	cleaning	240.25
Loffler	supplies	72.22
MARC	supplies	650.00
Neotek	contract	186.00
Office Elements	supplies	354.05
Oriental Trading	supplies	114.47
Petty Cash	postage	2.66
Reetz/Heidi	cleaning	100.00
Rowland Racing	supplies	79.99
S.L. Pilot Tribune	legals	188.76
Strand/Dave	service	100.00
USBank	copier contract	107.30
VECTOR	FY21 Dues	3,382.67
Vetter Equip.	supplies	34.13
		47,622.00

ROAD USE TAX FUND:

Alliant Energy	utilities	39.26
AMU	telephone	42.95
AMU	utilities	667.20
Arnold Motor Supply	supplies	38.76
Bomgaars	supplies	472.52
CCP Industries	supplies	132.11
Continental Research	supplies	145.88
Falck/Mark	supplies	257.79
First Coop	fuel	894.04
ISG	service	610.00
Janitor's Closet	supplies	5.00
Larry Miller Const.	supplies	292.20
North Lake Truck Repair	supplies	50.69
P&H Wholesale	supplies	55.51
Vetter Equip.	supplies	190.40
Vista Paints	supplies	201.40
Vogel Paint	supplies	1,807.50
		5,903.21

SEWER RENT FUND:

Alliant Energy	utilities	35.65
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AMU	telephone	96.16
AMU	utilities	2,568.74
ERA	supplies	539.52
Fareway	supplies	45.54
Foundation Analytical	testing	944.50
IA. DNR	service	210.00
ISG	service	945.00
Power Solutions	service	267.90
Sioux Valley Environmental	supplies	2,125.00
USDA	loan payment	12,686.00
Ziegler	contract	4,857.74
		<u>25,321.75</u>

COMMUNITY BLDG FUND:

Alliant Energy	utilities	45.30
AMU	telephone	114.90
AMU	utilities	966.21
Iowa ABD	license	1,482.00
Vista Paints	supplies	49.20
		<u>2,657.61</u>

SOLID WASTE FUND:

First Coop	fuel	208.36
Rowley Recycling Center	useage	7,427.31
		<u>7,635.67</u>

CAPITAL PROJECTS:

Bomgaars	supplies	263.88
Simmering-Cory	service	800.00
		<u>1,063.88</u>

DEBT SERVICE:

United Bank of Iowa	loan payment	84,250.83
		<u>84,250.83</u>

PAYROLL

JULY		<u>38,341.53</u>
		<u>212,796.48</u>

JULY REVENUE

General	32,116.14
Trees Forever	0.00
Playground	0.00
Community Building	1,300.00
Road Use	31,658.60
Employee Benefits	695.49
Local Option Sales Tax	16,952.16
TIF	0.00
Debt Service	0.00
Library	0.00
Sewer Rent	32,091.58
Sewer - Short-lived assets	653.00

Sewer Reserve	1,269.00
Solid Waste	11,144.21
	127,880.18

After some questions, Henderson moved to approve the July claims in the amount of \$212,796.48, seconded by Mann. Motion carried with all members voting aye. The next regular meeting will be Wednesday, Sept. 9, due to the Labor Day holiday. There being no further business, Lang moved to adjourn at 7:40 PM, seconded by Bunjes. Motion carried with all members voting aye.

Attest:

Megan Peterson, City Clerk

Kevin Walsh, Mayor