

May 3, 2021

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, Tom Lane, and Les Mann. Molly Elston was absent.

Henderson moved, and Lang seconded, to approve the agenda, with all members voting aye. Motion carried.  
Henderson moved, and Mann seconded, to approve the minutes from the April 7 meeting, with all members voting aye. Motion carried.

Doug Standerwick with Borgen, Inc. gave a presentation on the new material he quoted for the street repairs this upcoming summer. Doug quoted several projects, but the Council voted to approve two different projects, for a total of \$25,712. Lane moved, and Lang seconded to approve the two projects. Motion carried with all members voting aye. Mike Bartholomew presented on behalf of the Alta-Aurelia Shooting Sports. Mann moved, and Lane seconded to approve a donation of \$500 to the Shooting Sports team. Motion carried with all members voting aye. Amanda Goodenow of ISG presented the preliminary engineering report for the sewer repair study. Some decisions need to be made, so a special Council meeting will be held on May 19 at 6:00 PM at the City Council chambers. Lang moved, and Lane seconded, to approve a noise variance closing off some of the sidewalk and parking for Scooter's Bar and Grill on Saturday, May 29, from 5:00 pm – 12:00 am. Motion carried with all members voting aye.

The Fire Department, Sheriff's Department, and Park Board all submitted written reports. Nothing was reported by the Library Board. The Code Enforcer, John Stange, provided a written report and was available for questions. He noted the next P&Z meeting is scheduled for May 5 at 6:00 pm and they will be having a Board of Adjustment meeting on May 13 at 6:00 pm. Superintendent Pedersen presented a written report. He answered questions from the Council. Henderson moved, and Lang seconded to approve the purchase of the software for the cameras at the sewer plant in the amount of \$2996.90 from Pro Elect. Motion carried with all members voting aye. The Council discussed the removal of the ash trees. We have the money in the budget, so they gave Superintendent Pedersen the go ahead to get companies hired and get as much done as possible. Henderson moved, and Mann seconded to approve hiring 4-5 part-time workers to help with clean up, as long as they stay within the budget. Motion carried with all members voting aye. Mayor Walsh provided a written report.

Lang moved, and Mann seconded, to approve the 12-month liquor license for the Buena Vista County Fair, including outdoor service and Sunday sales. Motion carried with all members voting aye. The Council discussed the disposal of Citizen's ash trees off their private property. No solution has been found yet. It was noted that a few truckloads of whole tree branches have been brought down to the yard waste area. If this continues to be a problem, the Council agreed they would lock the yard waste area during non-business hours. Henderson moved, and Lane seconded, to continue the FFCRA paid employee leave to Oct. 1, 2021. It will be revisited then. Motion carried with all members voting aye. The Council discussed the COVID contract and waiver that has been used at the Alta Community Center. They agreed to stop requiring the COVID contract but would still like renters to submit the signed COVID waiver. The next RAGBRAI meeting is set for May 12, at 4:30 at the Alta Community Center. All are welcome to attend. 2021 City Wide clean up was discussed. The Council talked about renting dumpsters and having Citizens bring their own "junk" to the dumpsters, and to have volunteers oversee it to make sure the correct material gets put in each dumpster. This would allow the Street Department employees to continue working on trees, but the Council decided to move forward with the normal City-Wide clean up procedure. It will be the week of June 7. Lane moved, and Henderson seconded to approve Resolution #21-11 to fix a date for a public hearing on the proposal to enter into a sewer revenue loan and disbursement agreement and to borrow money thereunder in a principal amount not to exceed \$94,000. Motion carried with all members voting aye.

April Bills Payable:

<b>GENERAL FUND:</b>		<b>AMOUNT</b>
4 Seasons Plumbing	service	250.59
ACE Hardware	supplies	114.94
Alliant Energy	utilities	36.88
AMU	telephone/postage	477.08

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Amazon	supplies	861.19
B.V. Co. Sheriff	service	25,500.00
Blue Lake Websites	service	149.98
Bomgaars	supplies	435.62
Century Fence	service	5,525.00
CID	supplies	192.00
Culligan	supplies	129.85
Dale Wetherell trucking	supplies	1,392.78
Des Moines Register	subscription	28.00
Ed Feld Fire	service	598.30
Fastenal	supplies	15.02
Fire Service Training Bureau	training	25.00
First Coop	fuel	194.08
GOES insurance	insurance	533.00
Gordon Flesch	contract	415.30
Henderson/Pam	reimbursement	75.00
Hogrefe/Andrea	supplies	52.65
Holzhauer Ford	vehicle	45,137.50
Ingram	supplies	266.68
IAMU	membership	450.00
Janitor's Closet	supplies	195.51
Jerry's Tree Service	service	1,375.00
Johnson/JoAnn	cleaning	127.88
Loffler	supplies	176.54
MARC	supplies	650.00
Neotek	contract	186.00
North Lake Truck Repair	supplies	137.39
NWILC	meetings	15.00
P&H	supplies	116.03
Peterson/Megan	reimbursement	190.40
Petty Cash-Library	postage	6.03
Power Solutions	service	754.88
Reetz/Heidi	cleaning	100.00
Stange/John	reimbursement	54.84
Storm Lake Times	subscription	74.95
Suhr/Dave	reimbursement	24.62
TextCaster	supplies	600.00
USBank	copier contract	60.24
Xerox Financial	service	59.19

**88,404.98**

**ROAD USE TAX FUND:**

Alliant Energy	utilities	241.98
AMU	telephone	43.95
AMU	utilities	709.76
Arnold Motor Supply	supplies	21.23
Bomgaars	supplies	419.52
CCP	supplies	78.13
Dale Wetherell trucking	supplies	685.66

First Coop	fuel	925.20
ISG	engineering	17.50
Kueny Chiropractic	drug testing	30.00
L&G Products	supplies	632.40
MARC	supplies	98.00
North Lake Truck Repair	supplies	826.68

4,730.01

**SEWER RENT FUND:**

Alliant Energy	utilities	276.27
AMU	telephone	102.45
AMU	utilities	1,737.12
Bomgaars	supplies	16.83
CCP	supplies	78.13
Electric Pump	supplies	1,771.46
Fareway	supplies	44.55
Foundation Analytical	supplies	997.10
ISG	engineering	122.50
L&G Products	supplies	55.80
P&H	supplies	8.51
The UPS Store	postage	15.75
USDA	loan payment	12,686.00

17,912.47

**COMMUNITY BLDG FUND:**

Alliant Energy	utilities	1,083.28
AMU	telephone	116.40
AMU	utilities	587.88
Aronson Plumbing	service	32.50
Castenada/Brenda	refund	50.00
Doll Distributing	beverages	329.00
Hinners/Ben	bartending	67.19
HyVee	supplies	475.48
Johnson Brothers	beverages	401.10
L&G Products	supplies	55.80
Lumsden/Jessica	refund	50.00
Meyer/Natalie	bartending	67.19

3,315.82

**SOLID WASTE FUND:**

AMU	utilities	52.62
First Coop	fuel	266.51

319.13

**CAPITAL PROJECTS:**

CIT	service	41,172.50
ISG	engineering	2,051.25

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**PAYROLL**

APRIL		29,069.33
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145,802.99

**APRIL REVENUE**

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General	192,887.86
Trees Forever	0.00
Playground	3,500.00
Community Building	2,030.00
Road Use	50,603.54
Employee Benefits	51,776.28
Emergency	5,462.06
Local Option Sales Tax	16,561.63
TIF	23,319.01
Debt Service	0.00
Eighth Addition	0.00
Library	0.00
Housing Rehab	0.00
Sewer Rent	32,309.39
Sewer - Short-lived assets	653.00
Sewer Reserve	1,269.00
Solid Waste	12,183.40
	<b>392,555.17</b>

After some questions, Mann moved to approve the April claims in the amount of \$145,802.99, seconded by Henderson. Motion carried with all members voting aye. A special meeting has been scheduled for May 19, at 6:00 PM. The next regular meeting will be Monday, June 7. There being no further business, Lang moved to adjourn at 9:15 PM, seconded by Lane. Motion carried with all members voting aye.

Attest:

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Megan Peterson, City Clerk

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Kevin Walsh, Mayor