

October 4, 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, Les Mann and Molly Elston. Absent: none.

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

Superintendent Walters explained the PERL levy that will be on the ballot at the upcoming election. He explained that both the School and the Cities of Alta and Aurelia will benefit if the PERL passes. The school is looking to decrease the taxation on the Management Fund, to balance out the increase for the PERL levy, resulting in a zero tax increase to Citizens. April Barerra represented AltaTogether and asked to hold the Home and Garden show at the Alta Community Building under the same circumstances as last year. The waived rent request will be put on the November agenda. Brad Koth submitted receipts for the work done to replace the wye and sewer lateral at his house. The wye was put in backwards many years ago, and continued to cause problems. When Koth hired someone to dig up the line to replace it, they discovered the wye was installed incorrectly. Lane moved, and Henderson seconded, to reimburse Brad Koth \$7208.23 for the sewer line work. Motion carried with the following members voting aye: Mann, Henderson, Elson, Lane. Lang voted nay. During open forum, Shannon Strand explained that she had to replace her sewer line on West Highway and would like to know what she needs to do to be reimbursed? At the time of the problem, she had not brought it forward to the City Council. She was told by the City that it was her responsibility. Mayor Walsh explained that it is pretty hard to go back that far and reimburse without having any pictures or knowing for sure who was responsible.

The Fire Department, Code Enforcement, and Mayor all provided written monthly reports. Chief Reetz said they are looking to try to add just EMS members, since they are so low on EMS volunteers. He also stated they will have the fire station open on Halloween. Henderson moved, and Lane seconded, to approve Matthew Beckman as a member of the Alta Fire Department. Motion carried with all members voting aye. Deputies Smith and Cary gave a brief Sheriff's report. Nothing was reported for the Park Board. Library Director Peterson said they are looking to enhance some security at the door to the library that the public uses, and they are going to start back with some adult programming. Code Enforcement just provided the written report. Street Superintendent Pedersen discussed the month of September. They are currently taking a break on tree removal and working on some concrete projects. Henderson moved to approve the bid from Phelps Quality Construction for tree carving on Johnson St., to be split with the Boosters, seconded by Lang. Motion carried with all members voting aye. Mayor Walsh presented a written Mayor's report. Work is being done at the Lake St. railroad crossing. He also presented a proclamation to set Trick or Treating for Sun., Oct. 31, from 5:00 – 7:30 in the Town of Alta.

Henderson and Lane, along with Mayor Walsh and Street Superintendent Pedersen formed a Tree Committee and have decided to make room for Citizen's whole trees down at the land purchased near the sewer plant. The City will then have to truck it out to the burn site. Some discussion took place regarding waiving the rent of the Alta Community Building for non-profit renters. More discussion will take place in the future. Lane moved, and Henderson seconded, to approve an ad in the Alta-Aurelia yearbook for \$30. Motion carried with all members voting aye. Henderson moved, and Lang seconded, to approve Res. 21-28 to set the public hearing for the sale of the last six lots in Cyclone Drive to Nov. 8. Voting aye was Henderson, Lane, Lang, Elston, and Mann. Motion carried. Elston moved, and Mann seconded, to approve D.A. Davidson as the city's Municipal Advisor for the sewer lining capital project. Motion carried with all members voting aye.

September Bills Payable:

GENERAL FUND:		AMOUNT
Alex Air	supplies	579.51
Alliant Energy	utilities	814.63
Alta Municipal Utilities	telephone/postage	1600.45
Alta Municipal Utilities	utilities	448.17
Bomgaars	supplies	557.95
Builder's Sharpening	supplies	19.95
Cardmember Services	supplies	4.47
First Coop	supplies	234.93
Foundation Analytical	service	39.00
IMFOA	fall conference	175.00
Johnson/JoAnn	service	267.38
Kuhrts Sharpening	service	12.00
NeoTek	contract	186.00
North Lake Truck Repair	service	231.89
Pitney Bowes	supplies	138.24
Reetz/Heidi	cleaning	100.00
Stange/John	reimbursement	27.44
Strand/Dave	service	550.00
Treasurer, State of Iowa	sales tax	426.00
Trimble/Shell	service	3,311.60
USBank	contract	60.24
Vetter Equipment	supplies	1,011.96
		10,796.81
ROAD USE TAX FUND:		
Alliant Energy	utilities	41.79
Alta Municipal Utilities	utilities	768.66
Alta Municipal Utilities	telephone	43.95
Aurelia Lumber	supplies	373.56
Bern/Daniel	reimbursement	2,500.00
Bomgaars	supplies	111.34
Brown Supply	supplies	4,177.20
CCP	supplies	65.60
Dale Wetherell trucking	supplies	643.10
First Coop	fuel	1,062.34
Hallett Materials	supplies	190.71
Momar	supplies	1,474.22
		11,452.47
SEWER RENT FUND:		
Alliant Energy	utilities	63.56
Alta Municipal Utilities	utilities	2,641.85
Alta Municipal Utilities	telephone	98.94
Bomgaars	supplies	16.35
Cardmember Services	supplies	442.21
CCP	supplies	65.59

Fareway	supplies	52.63
Foundation Analytical	services	451.40
GPM	supplies	412.00
Hach	supplies	391.05
Power Solutions	service	730.81
Rehab Systems	service	1,917.50
USDA	loan payment	12,686.00
		19,969.89

COMMUNITY BLDG FUND:

Alliant Energy	utilities	42.40
Alta Municipal Utilities	utilities	1,123.77
Alta Municipal Utilities	telephone	116.40
Aronson Plumbing	service	70.00
Chesterman's	supplies	101.25
HyVee	supplies	317.28
Marshall/Kevin	bartending	21.50
Meyer/Natalie	bartending	96.75
Roling Signs	service	663.40
Strand/Dan	bartending	96.75
Ward/Jean	cleaning	2,090.00
		4,739.50

SOLID WASTE FUND:

First Coop	fuel	898.57
North Lake Truck Repair	supplies	44.42
Rowley Recycling Center	usage	16,005.50
		16,948.49

CAPITAL PROJECTS:

DeRoos Construction	service	21,710.00
ISG	service	15,700.00
		37,410.00

PAYROLL

SEPTEMBER		30,740.22
		132,057.38

SEPTEMBER REVENUE

General	55,477.75
Trees Forever	0.00
Playground	0.00
Special Events	415.00
Community Building	5,338.00
Road Use	34,724.48
Employee Benefits	12,118.85
Emergency	1,278.46
Local Option Sales Tax	21,390.41
TIF	2,887.25
Debt Service	0.00
Eighth Addition	0.00

Library	0.00
Inf. Savings	0.00
Trails	0.00
Housing Rehab	7,160.00
American Rescue Plan	0.00
Library	0.00
Sewer Rent	31,244.16
Sewer - Short-lived assets	653.00
Sewer Reserve	1,269.00
Solid Waste	10,929.07
	184,885.43

After some discussion, Henderson moved to approve the September claims in the amount of \$132,057.38, seconded by Elston. Motion carried with all members voting aye. The next regular meeting will be Monday, Nov. 8 at the Alta Community Building. There being no further business, Lane moved to adjourn at 7:18 PM, seconded by Henderson. Motion carried with all members voting aye.

Attest:

Megan Peterson, City Clerk

Kevin Walsh, Mayor