

MINUTE RECORD FOR CITY OF ALMA
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
February 1, 2023

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Alma, Nebraska was held at City Hall on Wednesday, February 1, 2023, at 5:30 p.m.

Present were Council Members: Dyann Collins, Tom Moulton, Larry Casper, Chris Tripe and Mayor Hal Haeker. Absent were none. Administrator Lorri Bantam, City Clerk Dawn McNulty, Treasurer CeeAnn Affolter, City Utility Superintendent Russ Pfeil and City Attorney Doug Walker were also in attendance. Notification of this meeting and the agenda was given in advance by posting, a designated method for giving notice. Advance notice of the meeting and the agenda was given to the mayor and all members of the City Council. All proceedings hereinafter were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Mayor Haeker advised the public of the Open Meetings Act posted on the east wall of the meeting room, and then proceeded to call the regular meeting of February 1, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. and the following business was transacted:

Roll call: Tom Moulton-present, Dyann Collins-present, Larry Casper-present, Chris Tripe-present, and Mayor Haeker-present. Motion made by Casper, second by Tripe to determine this meeting as previously publicized, duly convened and in open session. There being no further discussion upon the motion made and upon roll call vote, the following voted yes: Collins, Tripe, Casper, and Moulton. Voting no: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Haeker opened the floor to approve the minutes of the January 18, 2023, regular council meeting. Motion made by Moulton, second by Collins to approve the minutes of the January 18, 2023, regular council meeting. There being no further discussion upon the motion made and upon roll call vote, the following voted yes: Collins, Tripe, Casper, and Moulton. Voting no: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Haeker opened the floor to discuss the claims and invoices for January 19, 2023, through February 1, for a total of \$57,938.73. Motion made by Moulton, second by Casper to approve the claims. There being no further discussion upon the motion made and upon roll call vote, the following voted yes: Collins, Tripe, Casper, and Moulton. Voting no: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Haeker opened the floor to discuss the Treasurer's report. Motion by Moulton, second by Casper to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. There being no further discussion upon the motion made and upon roll call vote, the following voted yes: Collins, Tripe, Casper, and Moulton. Voting no: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Haeker opened the floor to discuss Resolution 3-2023– Retainer Agreement with law firm Napoli Shkolnik PLLC for potential PFAS and other hazardous water contamination litigation as recommended by NE Rural Water Association. This is a retainer with Napoli Shkolnik if legal action is taken concerning polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) in our municipal and wastewater systems. Motion by Tripe second by Moulton to accept Resolution 3-2023 – Retainer Agreement with law firm Napoli Shkolnik PLLC for potential PFAS. There being no further discussion upon the motion made and upon roll call vote, the following voted yes: Collins, Tripe, Casper, and Moulton. Voting no: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Haeker opened the floor to discuss the CCCFF Grant application. Administrator Bantam and Miller and Assoc, who have been working together on the project, and are getting ready to apply for the grant due on February 15th. The renovation project has been split in to two phases due to the increased cost of \$1.9 million. The CCCFF grant application will only include Phase 1 for project cost estimated at \$1.2 million. This includes the interior work, windows, doors, and the signage, The grant will not cover anything portable. The second phase came in at \$495,000 for the roof and tuckpointing after a second evaluation.

Mayor Haeker opened the floor for the Administrator's Report. Administrator Bantam shared that SCEDD is looking for an alternate board member for Harlan county. After a short discussion, it was decided that this alternate board position would be a City Administrator responsibility. Administrator Bantam also shared that Mid Nebraska Individual Services will no longer be accepting any recycling after February 6, 2023, and will be returning our trailers as they can no longer meet regulatory requirements. City Clerk Dawn has been contacting various facilities looking for another outlet to process the city recycling. Various options were discussed including hiring a part time person to process the recycling at another location, and building a site that

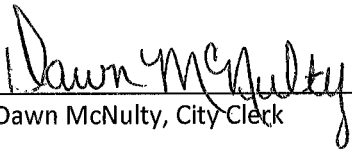
processes for other cities. Clerk Dawn will continue to work on a resolution to this issue.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Tripe, second by Moulton. There being no further discussion on the motion made and upon roll call vote, the following voted yes: Collins, Tripe, Casper, and Moulton. Voting no: None. Meeting was adjourned at 6:08 p.m.



Hal Haeker, Mayor

I the undersigned Clerk hereby certify that the forgoing is a true and correct copy of the proceedings had and done by the Mayor and Council; that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the Clerk; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to said meeting; that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by members of the public; that the said minutes were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification concerning meetings of said body were provided advanced notification of the time place and of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting.



Dawn McNulty, City Clerk

