

MINUTE RECORD FOR CITY OF ALMA
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
July 3, 2023

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Alma, Nebraska was held at City Hall on Monday, July 3, 2023, at 5:30 p.m.

Present were Council Members: Tom Moulton, Larry Casper, Dyann Collins, Chris Tripe and Mayor and Acting Administrator Hal Haeker. Absent: None. City Clerk Dawn McNulty, Treasurer Tashia Butterfield, City Utility Superintendent Russ Pfeil, Street and Sewer Superintendent Travis Dulse 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 July 3, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. and the following business was transacted:

Roll call: Tom Moulton-present, Dyann Collins-present, Chris Tripe-present, Larry Casper-present, and Mayor Haeker-present. Motion by Collins, second by Moulton 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: Casper, Tripe, Collins, and Moulton. Voting no: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Haeker opened the floor to approve the minutes of the June 19, 2023, regular council meeting. Motion by Collins, second by Moulton to approve the minutes of the June 19, 2023, regular council meeting. There being no further discussion upon the motion made and upon roll call vote, the following voted yes: Casper, Tripe, Collins, and Moulton. Voting no: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Haeker opened the floor to discuss the claims and invoices for June 20, 2023, through July 3, 2023, for a total of \$226,990.22. Tashia Butterfield read through some of the claims including Figgins Construction which she stated was for road work. Russ Pfeil commented that he wanted it noted for the record that Figgins Construction was for armor coating and not for paving. Motion made by Tripe, second by Moulton to approve the claims. There being no further discussion upon the motion made and upon roll call vote, the following voted yes: Tripe, Collins, Casper, and Moulton. Voting no: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Haeker opened the floor to discuss the Treasurer's report. Treasurer Butterfield, mentioned that the new water rates are in effect and are already showing a difference in revenue. Motion by Tripe, second by Collins 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: Tripe, Casper, Moulton, and Collins. Voting no: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Haeker opened the floor to discuss the approval of additional lifeguard staff, Sabrina Schemper. Motion by Casper, second by Tripe to approve additional lifeguard staff, Sabrina Schemper. There being no further discussion upon the motion made and upon roll call vote, the following voted yes: Casper, Tripe, Moulton, and Collins. Voting no: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Haeker opened the floor to discuss the Alma Downtown Drainage Application and Certificate of Payment #2 for \$61,889.54 to Tri City Concrete. Motion by Moulton, second by Tripe to accept Alma Downtown Drainage Application and Certificate of Payment #2 for \$61,889.54 to Tri City Concrete. There being no further discussion upon the motion made and upon roll call vote, the following voted yes: Casper, Moulton, Tripe, and Collins. Voting no: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Haeker opened the floor for the Administrator's Report. The project is complete and although there was some confusion in the end, it was sorted out and is complete. The painting is done, and Mayor Haeker will do a walk through on Wednesday, July 5th, with the engineer. They will have to amend the one section to a 2-year guarantee on the area where it rained and they poured the concrete. It was agreed that it was a huge improvement. Moulton mentioned that the drain was smaller than what he expected. Russ Pfeil explained that it was only for drainage coming from the corner and everything else is underground.

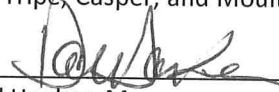
Mayor Haeker opened the floor to discuss Straight Flush Septic Pumping and Kevin Lambert, owner, was

in attendance. He presented a proposal for dumping his septic service into the City of Alma lagoon. Travis Dunse stated that other people do it and it has not been a problem. Kevin Lambert shared that he is licensed with the state and would provide any paperwork necessary and would pay a fee. Travis stated that others do not pay. Motion by Moulton, second by Casper to allow Straight Flush Septic Pumping to use the Alma City lagoons without charge. There being no further discussion upon the motion made and upon roll call vote, the following voted yes: Casper, Tripe, Moulton, and Collins. Voting no: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Haeker opened the floor to Tripe who stated that he had been contacted by many community members about the wonderful job that the city employees had done in cleaning up the park and surrounding areas after the recent storms knowing that July 4th was coming. They were out as early as 4 am and as late as 10 pm. Tripe stated that he had received a lot of comments. Casper also commented that they did a great job as well. Casper also stated that he would like an executive session on personnel added to the agenda for the next council meeting.

Mayor Haeker opened the floor to Casper who spoke about the signs on 136, specifically the business district sign. Casper commented that trucks were turning a block too soon and had driven over someone's yard and knocked over a sign. Tripe commented that we had talked about it before, and it is a state sign and out of our control. Russ Pfeil also commented that it was a state sign and that we did not have anything to do with it.

Motion to adjourn the meeting 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. The meeting was adjourned at 5:50 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

