

MINUTE RECORD FOR CITY OF ALMA
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
March 5, 2025

A meeting of the City Council of the City of Alma, Nebraska was held at City Hall on Wednesday, the 5th of March 2025, at 5:33 p.m.

Present were Council Members: Dyann Collins, Tom Moulton, Joel Wheeler, Larry Casper and Mayor Hal Haeker. Administrator Steve Ardiana, City Attorney Doug Walker, Deputy City Attorney Jaclyn Daake, City Treasurer Tashia Butterfield, City Clerk Janet Dietz, Kent Fleischmann, Jennifer Roethke 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 were 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 which is posted on the east wall of the meeting room, and then proceeded to call the regular meeting of March 5th, 2025, at 5:33 p.m. and the following business was transacted:

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

Mayor opened the floor to approve the minutes of February 19, 2025, regular council meeting. Motion made by Moulton, second by Collins to approve the minutes of February 19, 2025, as presented. There being no further discussion upon the motion made and upon roll call vote, the following voted yes: Moulton, Collins, Wheeler, and Casper. Voting no: None. Motion carried.

Mayor opened the floor to discuss the claims and invoices. Councilman Moulton questioned the claim for Wilkins Architecture, \$11,178.59. (previous plans for the City auditorium were plans/diagrams and not paid for) Motion by Moulton, second by Casper to approve the claims and invoices from February 19, 2025, through March 5, 2025, for a total of \$79,254.66. There being no further discussion upon the motion made and upon roll call vote, the following voted yes: Collins, Moulton, and Tripe. Voting no: None. Motion carried.

Mayor opened the floor to discuss the Treasurer's report. Motion by Collins, second by Wheeler 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, Wheeler, Moulton and Casper. Voting no: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Haeker opened the discussion to the Special Assessment lien at 210 Hwy 183. Resolution 4-2025. Casper moved to approve Resolution 4-2025 for approval, second by Wheeler. There being no further discussion upon the motion made and upon roll call vote, the following voted yes: Casper, Wheeler, Moulton, and Collins.

Two Rivers Clinical Section Manager, Jacki Haley brought to the Council updates and information, and programs available to the residents of Alma, and Harlan County.

Mayor Haeker opened the discussion of proposed engineering of the City of Alma Sanitation Disposal Chapter 51, Ordinance NO.3-2025. Deputy Attorney Jaclyn Daake brought forth changes needed for collection, disposal, general requirements, definition of city receptacles only, hazardous items not allowed public access to toters, (trash pickup waiver where necessary), in the City and in C-1 District. Councilman Casper introduced Ordinance #3-2025 and moves that the statutory rule requiring reading on three different days be suspended. An ordinance of the City of Alma, Nebraska to amend Chapter 51 of the City Code regarding garbage disposal and City trash services; to repeal all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance and to declare an effective date. Councilman member Moulton second the motion. There being no further discussion upon the motion made and upon roll call vote, the following voted yes, Wheeler, Casper, Moulton, and Collins. motion carried. Councilwoman Collins read aloud Ordinance No. 3-2025. An ordinance of the City of Alma, Nebraska to amend Chapter 51 of the City code regarding garbage disposal and city trash services; to repeal all ordinances or parts of ordinance in conflict with this ordinance; and to declare an effective date. Councilwoman Collins said ordinances then ready by title and council member moves for final passage of the ordinance, second by Moulton. Roll call vote, Casper, Moulton, Collins and Wheeler. Motion carried. Mayor Haeker referred to Council shall ordinance NO.3-2025 be passed and adopted? There being no further discussion upon the motion made, and upon roll call vote, the following voted yes, Casper, Moulton, Collins, and Wheeler. Ordinance is passed.

Mayor opened the floor for discussion on the Harlan County Road Agreement. Road maintenance on 7th street going west, and north division (old highway 183) for roadside maintenance, mowing, in conjunction

with the county road maintenance as they connect with the City of Alma. Discussion was terms of 1 year at sixty dollars per hour, and an annual review. Motion was made by Wheeler, second by Casper to approve the agreement only. There being no further discussion and upon roll call vote, the following voted yes: Wheeler, Casper, Collins and Moulton. Motion carried.

Personnel manual was brought up for review, motion was made by Moulton, second by Collins to table, there being no further discussion upon the motion made and upon roll call vote, the following voted yes, Moulton, Collins, Wheeler, and Casper. Motion carried.

Mayor Haeker brought forth the proposed Modification Agreement with Miller and Associates for the South Street Lift Station Rehabilitation. Resolution 5-2025 is an agreement will Miller and Associates to provide the necessary engineering service for rehabilitation and reconstruction of the South Street lift station. Motion was made by Moulton, second by Casper to approve Resolution 5-2025. There being no further discussion upon the motion made, and upon roll call vote, the following voted yes, Moulton, Casper, Collins, and Casper. Motion carried.

Mayor Haeker opened the floor for discussion on Wilkins proposal to perform architectural services for the City Auditorium for renovation. Resolution 7-2025 to enter into an agreement for the renovation of the City of Alma Auditorium, providing American Institute of Architectural planning and services for the renovation of the City Auditorium. Motion was made by Collins, second by Moulton to approve Resolution 7-2025. There being no further discussion upon the motion made, and upon roll call vote, the following voted yes, Collins, Moulton, Wheeler, and Casper. Motion carried.

Maor Haeker opened the floor to discuss the Hoesch Memorial Library Skylight replacement. City Administrator Steve Ardiana, and Jennifer Roethke, Library Director spoke of the leaking and damage to the tables and the need for repairs or budgeting for a new light in 2025-2025 budget. City Administrator provided a quote for total replacement for \$29,964. Council will review at budget time.

City Administrator is looking into the lifeguard recertifications and how many are required.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Moulton, second by Collins. There being no further discussion on the motion made and upon roll call vote, the following voted yes: Moulton, Collins Wheeler and Casper Voting no: None.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:03 pm.

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.

Janet Dietz, City Clerk
