

MINUTE RECORD FOR CITY OF ALMA
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
January 4, 2017

A meeting of the City Council of the City of Alma, Nebraska was held at the Office of the City Clerk in said city on Wednesday, the 4th day of January, 2017, at 5:30 p.m.

Present were Council Members Jon Davis, Tom Moulton, Randy Stahlecker, and Mike Clements. Also present were: Administrator Doug Wilson, Attorney Doug Walker, Deputy Attorney Jaclyn Daake, Superintendent Russ Pfeil, and Clerk Lori Tripe. 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.

Council President Jon Davis 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 January 4, 2017, at 5:30 p.m. and the following business was transacted:

Roll Call: Jon Davis-present, Tom Moulton-present, Mayor Haeker-absent, Randy Stahlecker-present and Mike Clements-present. Motion made by Clements seconded by Moulton to determine this meeting as previously publicized, duly convened and in open session. There being no discussion upon the motion made and upon roll call vote, the following voted yes: Clements, Moulton, Stahlecker, and Davis. Voting No: None. Motion carried.

Council President Davis opened the floor to approve the minutes of the Reorganizational Meeting of December 7, 2016 and December 21, 2016, Regular Council Meeting. Motion made by Moulton seconded by Stahlecker to approve the December 7, 2016 reorganizational meeting minutes and the December 21, 2016 regular council minutes as presented. There being no discussion and upon roll call vote, the following voted yes: Moulton, Stahlecker, Clements and Davis. Voting No: None. Motion carried.

Council President Davis opened the floor to discuss the claims and invoices for the period of December 21, 2016, through January 4, 2017 for a total of \$84,729.01. Treasurer Bantam was absent. No special payments were noted. Motion by Clements, seconded by Stahlecker to approve the December 22, 2016, through January 4, 2017 claims as presented for a total amount of \$84,729.01. There being no further discussion upon the motion made and upon roll call vote, the following voted yes: Clements, Stahlecker, Davis, and Moulton. Voting No: None. Motion carried.

Council President Davis opened the floor to discuss the treasurer's report. Motion made by Moulton, seconded by Clements to approve the treasurer's report as presented. There being no further discussion upon the motion made and upon roll call vote, the following voted yes: Moulton, Clements, Davis and Stahlecker. Voting no: None. Motion carried.

Council President Davis opened the floor to consider and possibly approve Resolution 8-2017 – Authorizing the City to Adopt an Interlocal Merger Agreement between Alma Volunteer Fire Department and Alma Rural Fire Protection District for Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Services. Fire Chief Brian Seyler and firemen Rick Calkins, Mike Stemper, and their attorney Patrick Calkins were in attendance. The Interlocal Agreement would allow the City's Volunteer Fire Department and Emergency Medical Services to merge with the Rural Fire District into one entity. Several smaller towns have merged their city fire departments and EMS with their rural fire district. The merger would move the taxing authority to the rural which is taxed and collected by the County and eliminate duplication of insurance and administration. There are 3 Townships included in the rural district and covers approximately 230-240 square miles. Patrick Calkins said if anyone needed a map of the fire district, he has them available. Once the merger is approved by the rural fire district and the County Board, the new entity will probably reorganize. As far as fire insurance rates, they are based on an ISO rating and fire protection and will not change. The attorneys involved have reviewed other merged fire district agreements and believe the one before the Council should cover everything. If there would be a question in the future, this document should explain what was done. The merger will not cost the City any money except for their attorney fees. Deputy Attorney Jaclyn Daake said the City will continue to maintain and be in control of the fire hydrants and of course will continue to allow the fire department to use them. The fire district will meet this month and will be presented the agreement for their approval and the plan is to have a public hearing with the County Board at their first meeting in February.

Motion made by Stahlecker, seconded by Clements to approve Resolution 8-2017 – to authorize the City to Adopt an Interlocal Merger Agreement between Alma Volunteer Fire Department and Alma Rural Fire Protection District for Fire Council Minutes 1.4.17

Protection and Emergency Medical Services. There being no further discussion upon the motion made and upon roll call vote, the following voted yes: Stahlecker, Clements, Moulton and Davis. Voting no: None. Resolution 8-2017 was approved.

Council President Davis opened the floor to consider and possibly approve the Mayor's re-appointment of Paul Waggoner to the Community Redevelopment Authority. Motion by Moulton, seconded by Clements to approve the Mayor's re-appointment of Paul Waggoner to the Community Redevelopment Authority. There being no further discussion upon the motion made, the following voted yes: Moulton, Clements, Stahlecker and Davis. Voting no: None. Motion carried.

Council President Davis opened the floor for administrator comments. Wilson said he has not heard back from Governor's office yet on an available date for the airport terminal building dedication.

The RV Park new shop is all but done. Steve Dornhoff has done a good job. The plan was to finish the trim today and complete the dirt work and caulking after it warms up. Steve did say that he presented the bid in July and since that time the lumber required to complete the job went up \$100. Council did not have a problem with the \$100 increase.

Wilson said the City budgeted for a new street sweeper and has found a used sweeper for \$45,000. The retailer of this truck is anxious to have one of his trucks in this area so shot the City a good price. Normally the retailer would have asked \$75,000 for it. It has a 2007 Mercedes engine and will have all new parts. Hope to have it the first part of February.

Wilson said he knows it is kind of early and the wrong weather to think about spraying mosquitos, but he is looking at two different units right now and plans on ordering soon.

Deputy Attorney Daake said her and Wilson believe the one open nuisance case has been resolved as of today.

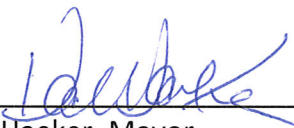
Council President Davis opened the floor for open comments.

Councilman Stahlecker asked if there had been any progress with Eagle Communications regarding the internet service at the Country Club. Wilson said he hadn't heard back yet and made a note to follow up.

Councilman Clements said the flashing sign on the north part of town is slowing down traffic. He also asked how the plans were on purchasing our own sign.

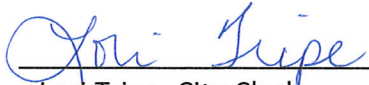
Councilman Davis informed the Council that the School is looking at putting up a new FFA/Shop building on the west side of the school between the parking lot side walk and the green house. Also looking at remodeling the existing shop into a band and music room. The school's enrollment has increased and they are looking at having 30 kindergartners next year. The school will submit a building permit and will need to combine the parcels that the new shop building will sit on.

Motion made by Clements, seconded by Stahlecker to adjourn the meeting at 5:56 PM. There being no further discussion upon the motion made, the following voted yes: Clements, Stahlecker, Moulton, and Davis. Voting no: None. Meeting was adjourned at 5:56 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.




Lori Tripe, City Clerk