

**ALTON CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Minutes of Regular Session**  
**Tuesday, September 9, 2014**

Mayor Minten called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. with Council members Bengard, Kleinhesselink, Schutt, and Zenor present. Vande Griend was absent. Also present was Barb Alsum, Harold Alsum, Deb Fischer, Ron Fischer, Brian Hector, Jeff Jensen, Don Krull, Beth Mulder, Gaylon Schneider, Jan Schneider, Dale Oltmans, and Laurie Stoos.

Motion by Zenor second by Kleinhesselink to approve the agenda. Ayes 4

Motion by Schutt second by Kleinhesselink to approve the consent agenda, including minutes from August 12, 2014 and September 2, 2014 meetings. Ayes 4

**SEPTEMBER 2014 BILLS**

Total Payroll		\$ 34,561.31
Community Bank	FED Withholding/FICA	\$ 7,706.50
IPERS	IPERS	\$ 4,573.17
Iowa State Treasurer	State Withholding	\$ 1,285.00
AFLAC	Insurance	\$ 497.33
A&M Laundry	Laundry Service	\$ 43.28
ACT Safe	Wastewater Compliance	\$ 375.00
Ag Partners	Fuel	\$ 1,139.82
Alton Rec Board	Reimbursement - Coaches, Refunds	\$ 2,354.75
American Legion	Flag	\$ 23.00
Analytical & Consulting Services	Wastewater Compliance & Testing	\$ 564.53
Blacktop Paving	Asphalt 12th St	\$ 8,400.00
Blom Electric	Electric Rebate - Darling	\$ 3,260.00
Bogen, Greg	Utility Deposit Refund	\$ 100.00
Bomgaars	Supplies, Tools	\$ 143.06
Border States	Street Pole, Conduit, Inventory	\$ 6,266.42
Brown Supply	Water Line Replacement	\$ 1,726.27
Bunkers Feed & Supply	Spray - Lagoon	\$ 45.00
Clayton Energy	Gas Commodity	\$ 7,725.00
Clayton Energy	Gas Reservation	\$ 2,499.45
Community Bank	ACH Fees	\$ 27.00
Community Insurance	Property & Liability - Backhoe	\$ 453.00
D&L Plumbing	Supplies	\$ 4.00
Data Technologies	Training	\$ 170.00
DGR	2014 Street Projects	\$ 470.84
Double D Bar	Electric Rebate	\$ 190.00
Dwellings	Utility Deposit Refund	\$ 500.00
Fareway	Supplies	\$ 15.98
Foreman Tire	Tires	\$ 728.08
FP Mailing Solutions	Ink Cartridge	\$ 113.81
Fransyl Equipment	Digger Truck Repairs	\$ 4,679.54
Garcia, Brenda	Utility Deposit Refund	\$ 51.87
Gesink, Cody	Utility Deposit Refund	\$ 225.00
Glenn's Copier	Office Supplies	\$ 243.12

H&D Underground	Boring - Duct	\$	4,067.80
Harp, Blair	Utility Deposit Refund	\$	250.00
Hawkins	Supplies	\$	15.00
Herda, Nick	Shirts	\$	82.36
IMFOA	Conference Registration	\$	55.00
Jellema Construction	Street Repair, Electrical Project	\$	8,044.00
J-S Leadership Group	Consulting Services	\$	575.00
Klay, Veldhuizen, Bindner, De Jong	Legal Fees	\$	1,010.00
Konz, Justin	Utility Deposit Refund	\$	200.00
Korver Lawn Care	Lawn Care	\$	550.00
Mangold Environmental	Pool Compliance Tests	\$	90.00
Matt Parrott	Utility Bills	\$	740.05
MBMECA	Electric Transmission	\$	5,825.71
Mid American	Lights	\$	131.27
Mid Sioux	Project Share	\$	20.00
Missouri River	Electric	\$	46,651.56
Municipal Utilities	Utilities	\$	1,706.10
NAPA	Vehicle Maintenance	\$	27.35
Neal Chase	Pool/Shelter House Roof, Supplies	\$	9,443.60
Noteboom Electric	Wire	\$	81.65
Orange City Municipal Utilities	Bulk Water	\$	9,822.90
Orange City Sanitation	Garbage Hauling	\$	6,194.90
Rehab Systems	Jet/Vac Cleaning, Televising, Manhole Rehab	\$	10,390.65
Reichle, Bob	Gas Rebate	\$	400.00
Shaffer, Samuel	Utility Deposit Refund	\$	125.00
Sioux County Treasurer	Property Taxes	\$	9,189.00
Siouxland Press	Publications	\$	193.07
T&L Tools	Supplies	\$	24.22
Treasurer - State of Iowa	Sales Tax	\$	3,398.00
Treybal, Joshua	Utility Deposit Refund	\$	250.00
Tri-State Overhead Sales	Electric Shop Maintenance	\$	166.50
TriTech	Rescue Billing	\$	82.50
US Cellular	Cell phones	\$	229.57
USA BlueBook	Tools	\$	300.21
USPS	Postage	\$	1,000.00
Van Maanan's	Battery, Support	\$	616.43
Van Ommeren Carpentry	Pool/Shelter House Roof	\$	6,552.50
Vector	Safety Dues	\$	6,638.06
VISA	Training, Special Events, Supplies	\$	568.56
Visser Brothers	Repairs	\$	31.67
Wellmark	Group Insurance	\$	8,817.52
Wesco	High Voltage Tester	\$	620.60
WesTel	Telephone, Fax, Internet	\$	594.43
Wrap-M Pack-M Ship-M	Postage	\$	62.60
Zep	Supplies	\$	187.21
Zestos	Advertisement	\$	25.00
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>223,146.68</b>

**Trees Forever:** Emerald Ash Borer

Jeff Jensen, Field Coordinator at Trees Forever, presented the Council with informational literature regarding the Emerald Ash Borer and the Trees Forever organization.

Jensen left the meeting at 6:10.

**Public Hearing – Block 45 Alley Vacation:** Mayor Minten opened the public hearing for Block 45 Alley Vacation at 6:10 P.M. No written or oral comments were received. The public hearing was closed at 6:12 P.M.

**AN ORDINANCE VACATING THE ALLEY LYING PLATTED IN BLOCK 45, ALTON, IOWA.**

Motion by council member Kleinhesselink that the reading just had to be the first and the Council dispense with the statutory provision that this Ordinance be fully and distinctly read on three different days as provided by section 380.3 of the Code of Iowa.

Motion was duly seconded by council member Schutt.

On roll call vote:

Ayes: Bengard, Kleinhesselink, Schutt, Zenor

Nays: None

Absent: Vande Griend

And the Mayor declares the motion duly carried.

Motion by Bengard that title of said bill for Ordinance be approved as set out and said bill for Ordinance 707 be adopted and placed on its final passage. Council member Zenor seconds the foregoing motion.

On roll call vote:

Ayes: Bengard, Kleinhesselink, Schutt, Zenor

Nays: None

Absent: Vande Griend

The Mayor declares the motion duly carried and will forthwith sign he said Ordinance and the Clerk will add his attestation thereto, said Ordinance being adopted.

**RESOLUTION 14-23: “RESOLUTION APPROVING THE VACATION OF THE ALLEY PLATTED IN BLOCK 45, SECOND ADDITION TO THE CITY OF ALTON, IOWA”** was introduced and moved for adoption by Council Member Schutt. Kleinhesselink seconded the motion to adopt.

Upon roll call vote, the following was recorded:

Ayes: Bengard, Kleinhesselink, Schutt, and Zenor

Nays: None

Absent: Vande Griend

Whereupon the Mayor declared the Resolution duly adopted.

**Public Hearing – Siouxland Masonry Rezoning:** Mayor Minten opened the public hearing for Siouxland Masonry Rezoning at 6:15 P.M. Written comments from Jan Schneider were read. Public comments included neighbors' concerns with their properties being devalued and the rezoning defying the covenants of the addition. Mayor Minten reiterated that fact that covenants are not recognized by the City, and that they are a private agreement between neighbors. Krull explained the financial burden he would have to bear to have to sell the property and purchase new to support the needs of his business. The public hearing was closed at 6:35 P.M.

Brian Hector left the meeting at 6:40 P.M.

Discussion was held on the current use of the property. Oltmans informed the Council that the Planning and Zoning Board's recommendation is to rezone the property to Highway Commercial since that is the current use.

Motion by Zenor and second by Schutt to have covenants reviewed by City Attorney. Ayes 4

Barb Alsum, Harold Alsum, Deb Fischer, Ron Fischer, Don Krull, Beth Mulder, Gaylon Schneider, Jan Schneider left the meeting at 6:52.

Leonard Pottebaum and Sandi Albers arrived at 6:55 P.M.

**Solid Waste – Orange City Sanitation Contract:**

The Council reviewed the new two year contract with Orange City Sanitation. The notable changes included landfill tonnage rates and designated containers and fees that had been amended from the previous contract.

Motion by Bengard and second by Schutt to accept revised two year contract with Orange City Sanitation. Ayes 4

**Commercial Tax Abatement: Pottebaum Storage**

Leonard Pottebaum requested a tax abatement for an additional storage building in Urban Revitalization Area 2.

Motion by Bengard and second by Zenor to approve a tax abatement for Pottebaum Storage. Ayes 4

**Liquor License:**

The Double D and Tag's Sports Bar & Grill requested an outdoor service extension for the Glow Run on September 27, 2014.

Motion by Zenor and second by Schutt to approve The Double D and Tag's Sports Bar & Grill's request for extension for outdoor service on September 27, 2104, contingent upon the notification of surrounding businesses. Ayes 4

**City Boards: Appointments**

Motion by Bengard and second by Kleinhesselink to accept the Mayor's appointment of Matt Konz to the Recreation Board. Ayes 5

**Streets:**

The Street Committee met with Oltmans, Herda & De Groot. Oltmans informed the Council of the Street Committee’s recommendations. The Council discussed the street maintenance plan, including the intersection of Division Street and Park Street, 11<sup>th</sup> Street and the Fire Station Parking lot. The Council also discussed a driveway in the curb line and expansion joints between the driveway and curb on new construction. It was the consensus of the Council to work with DGR and the City Attorney to include requirements for expansion joints for new construction in the building requirements.

**Storm Water Utility:**

The Council discussed establishing a storm water ordinance and utility. The utility would create revenue to support the maintenance and repairs of the storm water system instead of using money from the Street Fund.

It was the consensus of the Council to proceed with establishing a storm water ordinance and utility.

**Other Business:**

Discussion was held on issues with storm water at Sioux Golf & Country Club and homeowners in Fairway Court addition. It was the consensus of the Council that a meeting with City of Orange City to discuss was not needed at this time.

Motion by Kleinhesselink and second by Zenor to adjourn the meeting at 8:16 PM. Ayes 4

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Mayor,  
Ronald L. Minten

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City Clerk/Administrator  
Dale Oltmans

**August Revenue**

General Fund	\$10,431.73	Capital Equipment Fund	\$29.76
RUT Fund	\$13,794.18	LMI Housing	\$16.63
Local Option Fund	\$10,904.59	Capital Parks & Trails	\$5.30
TIF - Industrial Park	\$3.15	Water Fund	\$19,390.75
Debt Service Fund	\$13.81	Sewer Fund	\$10,607.93
Capital Econ. Dev. Fund	\$100.00	Electric Fund	\$86,689.02
		Gas Fund	\$18,654.24
		<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$170,641.09</b>