

**ALTON CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Minutes of Regular Session**  
**Tuesday, January 13, 2015**

Mayor Minten called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. with Council members Kleinhesselink, Schutt, Vande Griend and Zenor present. Also present was Dale Oltmans and Laurie Stoos. Bengard arrived at 6:13.

Motion by Zenor and second by Schutt to approve the agenda. Ayes 4

Motion by Kleinhesselink and second by Zenor to approve the consent agenda, including minutes from December 9, 2014 meeting. Ayes 4

**JANUARY 2014 BILLS**

A & M LAUNDRY INC	LAUNDRY SERVICE	\$86.56
AALBERS & NIICHEL EXCAVATING	GAS REBATE	\$787.50
AFLAC	AFLAC-PRE-TAX	\$497.33
AG PARTNERS	FUEL	\$1,123.38
ANALYTICAL & CONSULTING	WASTEWATER COMPLIANCE	\$1,329.61
BOMGAARS	EQUIPMENT, SUPPLIES	\$472.68
BROWN SUPPLY CO.	SEWER REPAIR	\$1,575.00
CITY OF ALTON	ELECTRIC REBATE	\$60.00
CITY OF ORANGE CITY	GAS CONTRACT	\$3,750.00
CITY OF ORANGE CITY	LAW ENFORCEMENT CONTRACT	\$31,000.75
CLAYTON ENERGY CORPORATION	GAS COMMODITY	\$34,027.11
CLAYTON ENERGY CORPORATION	GAS RESERVATION	\$10,121.41
COMMUNITY BANK	ACH FEES	\$26.90
COMMUNITY BANK	RETURN CHECK FEES	\$16.05
COMMUNITY BANK (FED WHLD)	FED/FICA TAX	\$7,780.90
CONNECTIONS INC	EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM	\$81.27
DATA TECHNOLOGIES, INC.	TAX FORMS	\$100.32
DEARBORN NATIONAL LIFE INS	GROUP INSURANCE	\$1,086.00
DELEEUW GRAPHICS & SIGNS	DECALS AND SIGNS	\$463.77
ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING CO.	PAGERS AND MAINTENANCE	\$1,667.76
ELITE AUTOBODY INC	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	\$165.30
FIRE SERVICE TRAINING BUREAU	TRAINING MATERIAL	\$74.50
FLOYD VALLEY HOSPITAL	EMS TRAINING	\$60.00
FOREMAN TIRE SERVICE	EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	\$60.00
GLENN'S COPIER INC	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$448.24
GRAINGER	SAFETY EQUIPMENT	\$103.66
HENTGES PLUMBING	DRINKING FOUNTAIN	\$711.05
IMFOA	ANNUAL DUES	\$40.00
IOWA ASSN. OF MUNICIPAL UTIL.	TRAINING, TESTS	\$730.00
IOWA FIREFIGHTERS ASSOC	MEMBERSHIP DUES	\$247.00
IOWA STATE TREASURER	STATE TAX	\$1,345.00
IPERS COLLECTIONS	IPERS	\$4,747.59
KLAY LAW TRUST ACCOUNT	PROPERTY PURCHASE	\$28,718.20
KLAY,VELDHUIZEN,BINDNER,DEJONG	LEGAL FEES	\$605.00
KRIZ-DAVIS CO.	CONNECTORS	\$631.67
MBMECA	ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION	\$6,091.77
MIDAMERICAN	LIGHTS	\$136.02

MID SIOUX OPPORTUNITY	PROJECT SHARE	\$40.00
MIKES WELDING & REPAIR	TOOLS, SUPPLIES	\$154.95
MISSOURI RIVER ENERGY SERVICES	ELECTRIC	\$59,742.43
MOTOR INN OF ORANGE CITY	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	\$357.88
MOUW MOTOR	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	\$927.50
MUNICIPAL UTIL-BILLS	UTILITIES	\$2,168.25
NAPA ORANGE CITY	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE, TISSUE	\$349.22
NEAL CHASE LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES, EQUIPMENT, POSTAGE	\$945.71
ORANGE CITY MUNICIPAL UTILITIES	BULK WATER	\$6,787.87
ORANGE CITY SANITATION	GARBAGE HAULING	\$6,258.50
PERFORMANCE FINISH, INC	URETHANE FLOOR FINISH	\$5,185.00
TRAVIS PLATHE	GAS REBATE	\$200.00
RANDY'S IRON WORKS	ADAPTORS	\$34.95
SIOUX COUNTY TREASURER	PROPERTY TAX - 806 PARK ST	\$133.00
SIOUXLAND PRESS	PUBLICATIONS, SUBSCRIPTIONS	\$312.40
SOLSMA BROTHERS	DOZER RENTAL	\$457.50
TREASURER - STATE OF IOWA	SALES TAX	\$3,730.00
TRI-STATE OVERHEAD SALES INC	LINEAR REMOTE	\$180.00
TRITECH EMERGENCY SYSTEMS INC	RESCUE BILLING	\$27.50
U S CELLULAR	CELL PHONES	\$242.08
U.S. POSTMASTER	POSTAGE	\$500.00
VAN ES, FRANK	BUILDING LEASE	\$4,200.00
QUINTIN VAN-ES	ANNUAL ZONING FEES	\$1,187.50
VISA	STORAGE BINS	\$811.68
WELLMARK BLUE CROSS/BLUE SHIELD	GROUP INSURANCE	\$7,494.81
WESCO DISTRIBUTION, INC.	METERING CTS	\$633.72
WEST IOWA TELEPHONE	TELEPHONE, INTERNET, FAX	\$545.95
WILLIAMS & CO	AUDIT	\$3,550.00
ZIEGLER	EQUIPMENT	\$409.51
PAYROLL CHECKS ON 12/31/2014		\$26,296.19
TOTAL		\$274,833.40

GENERAL FUND	\$63,025.70
ROAD USE TAX FUND	\$4,360.51
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS FUND	\$2,381.84
LMI HOUSING	\$29,316.20
WATER FUND	\$16,679.91
SEWER FUND	\$12,262.56
ELECTRIC FUND	\$87,598.49
GAS FUND	\$59,208.19
TOTAL	\$274,833.40

**Liquor License:** Casey's General Store submitted a request for renewal of their liquor license with Sunday sales.

Motion by Zenor and second by Schutt to approve the liquor license with Sunday sales for Casey's General Store. Ayes 4

**2015 Bond:** Oltmans informed the Council, that in order to proceed with the bonding process the Mayor will need to sign an Engagement Letter with Piper Jaffray.

Motion by Schutt and second by Vande Griend to approve Mayor Minten to sign Engagement Letter with Piper Jaffray for 2015 Essential Corporate Purpose Bond.

**Principal Stock:**

**RESOLUTION 15-01 “RESOLUTION ACCEPTING PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL GROUP INC. COMMON STOCK INTO CITY OF ALTON FINANCIAL BALANCE SHEET”** 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, Vande Griend and Zenor

Nays: None

Whereupon the Mayor declared the Resolution duly adopted.

**RESOLUTION 15-02 “RESOLUTION TO APPROVE SALE OF STOCK AND TO PLACE PROCEEDS INTO EMPLOYEE BENEFIT FUNDS (#112)”** was introduced and moved for adoption by Council Member Zenor. Schutt seconded the motion to adopt.

Upon roll call vote, the following was recorded:

Ayes: Bengard, Kleinhesselink, Schutt, Vande Griend and Zenor

Nays: None

Whereupon the Mayor declared the Resolution duly adopted.

**Property Purchase:**

**RESOLUTION 15-03 “RESOLUTION PROPOSING TO DISPOSE OF CITY OWNED REAL ESTATE”** was introduced and moved for adoption by Council Member Vande Griend. Zenor seconded the motion to adopt.

Upon roll call vote, the following was recorded:

Ayes: Bengard, Kleinhesselink, Schutt, Vande Griend and Zenor

Nays: None

Whereupon the Mayor declared the Resolution duly adopted.

**Streets:** Oltmans present the Council with a completed grant application for the East Division Street Project. He informed the Council that the grant money may take four years to receive.

Motion by Bengard and second by Schutt to approve the grant for submittal. Ayes 5

**Wastewater:**

**ORDINANCE 714 “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ALTON, IOWA 2002 BY AMENDING PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO THE MUNICIPAL SANITARY SEWER UTILITY RATES”** was introduced and moved for adoption by Council Member Bengard. Kleinhesselink seconded the motion. The Mayor put the question upon the motion, and the roll being called, the vote thereon was as follows:

Ayes: Bengard, Kleinhesselink, Schutt, Vande Griend and Zenor

Nays: None

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.

**Wastewater Treatment Facility:** The Council discussed a joint engineering study for a treatment facility with Orange City. Oltmans and Herda will be meeting with Bryan Gerritson to discuss. The Council wants to make sure the City looks at all long term solutions.

**Law Enforcement:** Oltmans informed the Council of the new Police Contract amount for the City's perpetual contract with Orange City Police Department.

Motion by Bengard and second by Schutt to approve new contract with Orange City Police Department. Ayes 5

**Equipment:** Oltmans informed the Council that the 1977 dump truck used for snow removal broke down and will be too costly to repair due to its age. Currently the City is leasing a dump truck to replace it. Oltmans presented the Council with a plan to replace the dump truck.

It was the consensus of the Council to move forward with the plan Oltmans presented and to direct staff to obtain quotes on replacement dump truck with snow plow.

**Budget – Capital Projects:** Oltmans presented the Street Comprehensive Plan as well as the Capital Improvement Plan to the Council.

**Other Business:** The Council reaffirmed the Mayoral appointments.

The Council discussed allowing the Fire Department to have a beer garden for its annual softball fundraiser. It was the consensus of the Council to allow a beer garden with the same restrictions and stipulations as required for street dances.

Motion by Kleinhesselink and second by Vande Griend to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 P.M. Ayes 5

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Mayor,  
Ronald L. Minten

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City Clerk/Administrator  
Dale Oltmans

**December Revenue**

General Fund	\$22,573.19	Capital Econ. Dev. Fund	\$100.00
RUT Fund	\$9,132.94	Capital Equipment Fund	\$243.52
Employee Benefits	\$1,569.21	LMI Housing	\$21.38
Local Option Fund	\$11,940.38	Capital Parks & Trails	\$2.82
TIF - Industrial Park	\$4,595.02	Water Fund	\$20,552.31
TIF – FVM2	\$1,970.53	Sewer Fund	\$11,093.51
TIF- FVM1	\$1,527.93	Electric Fund	\$93,642.77
Debt Service Fund	\$7,524.99	Gas Fund	\$70,948.66
		<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$257,439.16</b>