

**ALTON CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Minutes of Regular Session
Tuesday, February 10, 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 Noah Jansen, Sybil Jansen, Joan Roghair, Bill Cronin, Josh Gutierrez, Palmer Roskamp, Dennis Bruns, Dale Oltmans and Laurie Stoos. Bengard was absent.

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

Motion by Vande Griend and second by Zenor to approve the consent agenda, including minutes from January 13, 2015 meeting. Ayes 4

FEBRUARY 2015 BILLS

A & M LAUNDRY INC	LAUNDRY SERVICE	\$43.28
AFLAC	AFLAC-PRE-TAX	\$497.33
AG PARTNERS	FUEL	\$1,609.94
ALTON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT.	CALLS/MEETINGS	\$4,240.00
ANALYTICAL & CONSULTING	WASTEWATER COMPLIANCE TESTING	\$679.95
APGA SECURITY & INTEGRITY	GOAL SURVEY, SHRIMP	\$332.51
AUDITOR OF STATE	FY 2014 AUDIT REPORT	\$250.00
BOMGAARS	SUPPLIES, VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	\$480.15
BROWN SUPPLY CO.	COPPER, CURB BOX TAPT, ROD, RISER, TEE	\$1,611.88
CITY OF SIOUX CITY	WASTEWATER CONFERENCE	\$150.00
CLAYTON ENERGY CORPORATION	GAS COMMODITY	\$39,087.52
CLAYTON ENERGY CORPORATION	GAS RESERVATION	\$10,121.41
COMMUNITY BANK	ACH FEES	\$26.90
COMMUNITY BANK	RETURN CHECK FEES	\$5.35
COMMUNITY BANK	SAFETY BOX	\$40.00
COMMUNITY BANK (FED WHLD)	FED/FICA TAX	\$7,504.55
COMMUNITY INS	LIBRARY POLICY	\$913.00
DARRELL HOEKSTRA	ELECTRIC REBATE	\$50.00
DEWILD GRANT RECKERT & ASSOC	STREETS, HYDRAULIC MODEL, WATER LOOP	\$8,878.06
DIGITAL PLUS	CELL PHONE SUPPLIES	\$134.92
ECHO GROUP INC	BULBS - LIBRARY	\$630.00
FOREMAN TIRE SERVICE	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	\$55.00
GAS PRODUCTS SALES INC	METER - CHURCH	\$737.62
GLENN'S COPIER INC	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$320.60
HANSEN BODY SHOP	SWING SET, PICNIC TABLE PAINT, LAMP	\$1,101.00
HENTGES PLUMBING	PIPE	\$259.96
HUENINK, KEN	UTILITY DEPOSIT REFUND	\$47.24
IOWA ASSN. OF MUNICIPAL UTIL.	LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE, CD	\$174.01
IOWA STATE TREASURER	STATE TAX	\$1,368.00
IPERS COLLECTIONS	IPERS	\$4,770.18
MBMECA	ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION	\$7,058.12
MID AMERICAN	LIGHTS	\$150.30
MID SIOUX OPPORTUNITY	PROJECT SHARE	\$20.00
MIDWEST FIRE & REPAIR	TRUCK REPAIRS	\$739.53
MISSOURI RIVER ENERGY SERVICES	ELECTRIC	\$71,335.66
MUNICIPAL UTIL-BILLS	UTILITIES	\$2,747.81
NEAL CHASE LUMBER CO	SHOP MAINT, TOOLS, SUPPLIES	\$2,102.93
NICK HERDA	REIMBURSE - MEETING EXPENSE	\$48.74
NORTHWEST IOWA SOLID WASTE	BULB DISPOSAL	\$320.35
ORANGE CITY MUNICIPAL UTILITIES	BULK WATER	\$7,295.21

ORANGE CITY SANITATION	GARBAGE HAULING	\$6,192.50
PAYROLL CHECKS	JANUARY PAYROLL	\$24,278.89
PLUIM PUBLISHING CO., INC.	SUBSCRIPTION	\$28.00
QUINTIN VAN-ES	REIMBURSE - EDUCATION	\$15.00
R & J WELDING AND DESIGN	FLAG BRACKETS	\$882.12
SERVICES UNLIMITED	LIFT STATION CONTROL SYSTEM	\$20,602.00
SIOUX COUNTY EMS ASSOCIATION	EMS EDUCATION DAYS	\$270.00
SIOUX COUNTY SHERIFF	COMMUNICATIONS CENTER	\$7,325.00
SIOUXLAND PRESS	PUBLICATIONS	\$105.60
STEVE CRAIG/SLC POOL CONS	CPO TRAINING	\$475.00
TOWN & COUNTRY IMPLEMENT	VEHICLE REPAIRS	\$284.57
TREASURER - STATE OF IOWA	SALES TAX	\$4,693.00
TRI-STATE OVERHEAD SALES INC	OVERHEAD DOOR REPAIR	\$384.12
TRITECH EMERGENCY SYSTEMS INC	RESCUE BILLING	\$27.50
TRIVIEW STEEL & SUPPLY	FLAG POLE RINGS	\$160.00
U S CELLULAR	CELL PHONES	\$364.76
U. S. POSTMASTER	POSTAGE	\$1,000.00
UNITYPOINT CLINIC-OCC MED	DATA MEMBERSHIP DUES	\$50.00
USA BLUE BOOK	TOOLS	\$400.76
VISA	TOOL CABINET, TRAINING, POSTAGE	\$1,229.25
WELLMARK BLUE CROSS/BLUE SHIELD	GROUP INSURANCE	\$7,494.81
WESCO DISTRIBUTION, INC.	CTS	\$190.46
WEST IOWA TELEPHONE	TELEPHONE, INTERNET, FAX	\$545.93
WOHLGEMUTH, ROBERT	GAS REBATE	\$325.00
	TOTAL	\$255,263.28

GENERAL	\$36,555.97
ROAD USE TAX	\$4,163.39
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	\$2,080.39
CAPITAL - STREETS	\$4,820.72
CAPITAL PARKS & TRAILS	\$750.00
WATER	\$19,613.87
SEWER	\$29,167.04
ELECTRIC	\$99,836.97
GAS	\$58,274.93
TOTAL	\$255,263.28

Zoning: Mayor Minten opened the public hearing for Rezoning Lot 1-14 Heimstra First Addition at 6:04 PM. No written comments were received. Mayor Minten read comments from the Planning & Zoning Board meeting. It was the recommendation of the Planning & Zoning Board to rezone Lot 6 Heimstra First Addition from mobile home to R2. Cronin expressed concern for the survey pins and wanted to know if the City had to have consent from the property owners to rezone. Oltmans informed all present that the notifications were sent by certified mail for the Planning and Zoning and City Council meetings. And that those public hearings were the forum for property owners. Consent from property owners is not required for the City to rezone a property. Roskamp questioned if all lots were rezoned and a trailer had to be removed for health concerns, would a new trailer be allowed. Oltmans stated that any lot rezoned to R2 would not allow a trailer to be moved in. He also informed the audience that any buildings moved into City Limits have to go through the Board of Adjustments, including trailers, garages, etc. Bruns expressed his concern about several of the trailers having a mess in their yards. Oltmans informed him that the City has addressed several nuisance properties, and the owners have complied, however if the property becomes a nuisance after that, a new nuisance procedure would have to be started. The public hearing was closed at 6:20 PM.

Ordinance 713 was introduced by Council Member Kleinhesselink

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 647 KNOWN AS THE CITY OF ALTON ZONING ORDINANCE PURSUANT TO SECTION 25.1 AND SECTION 1.5 OF SAID ORDINANCE AS PREVIOUSLY PASSED AND ADOPTED THE 13TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2004.

Motion by Council Member Zenor 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: Kleinhesselink, Schutt, Vande Griend, Zenor

Nays: None

Absent: Bengard

And the Mayor declares the motion duly carried.

Motion by Kleinhesselink that title of said bill for Ordinance be approved as set out and said bill for Ordinance 715 be adopted and placed on its final passage. Council Member Schutt seconds the foregoing motion.

On roll call vote:

Ayes: Kleinhesselink, Schutt, Vande Griend, Zenor

Nays: None

Absent: Bengard

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.

Jansen, Jansen, Roghair, Cronin, Gutierrez, Roskamp, and Bruns left at 6:24 PM.

Property Purchase: Mayor Minten opened the public hearing to dispose of property at 6:30 PM. No written or oral comments were received. The public hearing was closed at 6:40 PM.

RESOLUTION 15-04 “RESOLUTION RATIFYING AND AUTHORIZING DISPOSAL OF MUNICIPALLY OWNED PROPERTY” was introduced and moved for adoption by Council Member Schutt. Zenor seconded the motion to adopt.

Upon roll call vote, the following was recorded:

Ayes: Kleinhesselink, Schutt, Vande Griend, Zenor

Nays: None

Absent: Bengard

Whereupon the Mayor declared the Resolution duly adopted.

Code of Ordinances:

RESOLUTION 15-06 “RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALTON, IOWA TO REQUEST THE ASSISTANCE OF THE STAFF OF THE NORTHWEST IOWA PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION” was introduced and moved for adoption by Council Member Kleinhesselink. Vande Griend seconded the motion to adopt.

Upon roll call vote, the following was recorded:
Ayes: Kleinhesselink, Schutt, Vande Griend, Zenor
Nays: None
Absent: Bengard

Whereupon the Mayor declared the Resolution duly adopted.

Equipment Purchase: Oltmans presented a quote from Sanitation Products to build a new Snowplow/Dump Truck. Discussion was held on make and model of the chassis.

Motion by Vande Griend second by Kleinhesselink to approve ordering the equipment for the snowplow, but to source out a different chassis. Oltmans will present a new quote to the Council when one is received. Ayes 4

Boards & Committees:

Motion by Schutt and second by Zenor to accept the Mayor's appointment of Banj De Jong to the Library Board. Ayes 4

Landfill:

Oltmans attended the NWI Landfill Annual Meeting. Gate fees will be increasing by \$2.50/ton. The Landfill will notify Orange City Sanitation of the changes, if any adjustments to the contract are necessary Orange City Sanitation will notify the City.

Budget:

Oltmans presented the Council with the proposed budget for Fiscal year 2015-2016.

Motion by Schutt and second by Kleinhesselink to approve the proposed budget as presented. Ayes 4

RESOLUTION 15-05 "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALTON, IOWA SETTING TIME AN PLACE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING WRITTEN AND ORAL COMMENTS ON THE CITY'S PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016 BUDGET" 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: Kleinhesselink, Schutt, Vande Griend, Zenor
Nays: None
Absent: Bengard

Whereupon the Mayor declared the Resolution duly adopted.

Other Business:

Oltmans provided the Council with an updated calendar on the bond issuance.

Oltmans updated the Council on the Park/Playground Committee Meeting. The Committee is looking at June 5 for a ribbon cutting and movie in the park. AIM is looking at buying a piece of equipment to replace the teeter totter.

The Council discussed trees that need to be trimmed, per the City Ordinances, which overhang street and sidewalks. Discussion was held on whose responsibility it is to trim the trees and the nuisance abatement process. Discussion was held on amending the Code of Ordinances. Staff will research and present recommendations at a later date.

Vande Griend indicated he has been approached about the City's website. Discussion was held. Mayor Minten appointed Vande Griend and Schutt to a committee to meet with the web designer and Staff. They will report back to the Council with recommendations.

Motion by Kleinhesselink and second by Vande Griend to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 PM. Ayes 4

Mayor,
Ronald L. Minten

City Clerk/Administrator
Dale Oltmans

January Revenue

General Fund	\$14,772.67	Capital Equipment Fund	\$2,768.35
RUT Fund	\$10,923.93	LMI Housing	\$159.61
Employee Benefits	\$210.99	Capital Parks & Trails	\$1,751.18
Local Option Fund	\$11,940.38	Water Fund	\$18,817.36
TIF - Industrial Park	\$11.66	Sewer Fund	\$10,994.32
Debt Service Fund	\$872.46	Electric Fund	\$93,406.96
Capital Econ. Dev. Fund	\$500.00	Gas Fund	\$68,325.37
		Total Receipts	\$235,455.24