

ALTON CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Minutes of Regular Session
Tuesday, May 12, 2020

The May Alton City Council meeting was held May 12, 2020. To help stop the spread of the COVID-19 virus, this meeting of the Alton's City Council was held electronically. Chapter 21.8 of the Iowa Code does permit an electronic meeting where all members participate remotely when an in-person meeting is impossible or impractical. On March 19, 2020, Governor Reynolds issued a Proclamation of Disaster Emergency which included a suspension of Iowa laws that would prevent the use of electronic meetings or the limitation on the number of people present at an in-person meeting site. Therefore, only Mayor Schutt along with City Administrator Oltmans were present at Alton city hall. Joining the meeting electronically was Council Members Jorgensen, Krull, Mulder, and Plathe. Also in attendance electronically was Laurie Tentinger.

Motion by Plathe second by Krull to approve the agenda. Ayes 4

Motion by Jorgensen and second by Mulder to approve the consent agenda, including minutes from the April 14, 2020 meeting. Ayes 4

MAY 2020 ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>PRODUCT/SERVICE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
A & M LAUNDRY INC	LAUNDRY SERVICE	\$54.89
AFLAC	AFLAC-PRE-TAX	\$357.32
AG PARTNERS	FUEL	\$35.77
AGRIVISION EQUIPMENT	SUPPLIES	\$13.51
AMERICAN STATE BANK	FED/FICA TAX	\$8,459.97
ANALYTICAL & CONSULTING	COMPLIANCE TESTING	\$66.17
ARNOLD MOTOR SUPPLY	OIL, FILTER	\$88.93
BOMGAARS	LAWN SEED, SUPPLIES	\$33.13
BORDER STATES INDUSTRIES, INC.	METER STOPS, FR CLOTHING	\$519.50
CERTIFIED TESTING SERVICES	4TH AVE STORM SEWER PROJECT	\$1,350.25
CLAYTON ENERGY CORPORATION	GAS COMMODITY	\$3,158.66
CLAYTON ENERGY CORPORATION	GAS RESERVATION	\$2,540.74
CONTINENTAL RESEARCH CORP	CLEANER	\$2,848.45
DE JONG OIL & REPAIR INC.	FLAP	\$23.44
DEWILD GRANT RECKERT & ASSOC	4TH AVE STORM SEWER, GIS MAPPING	\$14,901.26
ECHO GROUP INC	FLOOD LIGHTS	\$163.71
ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING CO.	BELT CLIPS	\$49.50
FASTENAL	MARKING PAINT	\$59.99
FELD FIRE	FIRE EQUIPMENT	\$1,085.07
GROEBNER & ASSOCIATES INC	TAPE	\$306.76
HUBERS PLUMBING, HEATING	GATE VALVE, SERVICE CALL, SUPPLIES	\$928.17
IOWA FINANCE AUTHORITY	WA SRF PRINCIPAL/INTEREST	\$7,348.75
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IOWA ONE CALL	LOCATES	\$19.80
IOWA STATE TREASURER	STATE TAX	\$1,431.00

IPERS COLLECTIONS	IPERS	\$5,780.64
JANITOR'S CLOSET	SANITIZER	\$237.00
KOPETSKYS ACE	SUPPLIES	\$43.97
QUALITY CONKLIN PRODUCTS	FUEL CONDITIONER	\$81.30
MID SIOUX OPPORTUNITY	PROJECT SHARE	\$70.00
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY	STREET LIGHTS	\$240.62
MIKES WELDING & REPAIR	SUPPLIES	\$56.90
MISSOURI RIVER ENERGY SERVICES	ELECTRIC	\$35,905.29
MLS LANDSCAPE & DESIGN INC	DITCH SHAPING	\$4,286.54
MUNICIPAL UTIL-BILLS	UTILITIES	\$1,798.63
NEAL CHASE LUMBER CO	SHELTER HOUSE, BATH HOUSE, SUPPLIES	\$1,991.16
NORTHWEST IOWA PLANNING	MEMBERSHIP DUES	\$608.00
ORANGE CITY MUNICIPAL UTILITIES	BULK WATER	\$6,169.70
ONE OFFICE SOLUTION	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$48.35
ORANGE CITY HEALTH SYSTEM	PARAMEDIC ASSIST, SUPPLIES	\$293.82
ORANGE CITY SANITATION	GARBAGE HAULING	\$6,633.25
PAYROLL	PAYROLL 04/30/2020	\$26,958.34
PEFA, INC	GAS COMMODITY	\$2,457.00
PREMIER COMMUNICATIONS	IT SERVICES, PORT SWITCH	\$1,052.40
RANDY'S IRON WORKS INC	ADAPTORS	\$19.70
RENT-ALL CENTER LTD	VACUUM EXCAVATOR	\$391.75
SAM'S CLUB	MEMBERSHIP	\$45.00
RANDY SIMMELINK	ELECTRIC REBATE	\$250.00
SIOUXLAND PRESS	PUBLICATIONS	\$120.00
T & L TOOLS	HEX BIT	\$9.25
TOWN & COUNTRY IMPLEMENT	COUPLINGS	\$313.50
TREASURER - STATE OF IOWA	SALES TAX	\$2,607.00
TREASURER - STATE OF IOWA	WATER EXCISE TAX	\$1,281.00
U. S. POSTMASTER	POSTAGE	\$500.00
UMB BANK, N.A.	2009 BOND PRINCIPAL/INTEREST	\$86,721.25
UMB BANK, N.A.	2013A BOND PRINCIPAL/INTEREST	\$16,125.00
UMB BANK, N.A.	2013B BOND PRINCIPAL/INTEREST	\$32,256.25
UMB BANK, N.A.	2015 BOND PRINCIPAL/INTEREST	\$21,508.75
UMB BANK, N.A.	2016 BOND PRINCIPAL/INTEREST	\$61,594.50
UMB BANK, N.A.	2019 BOND INTEREST/INTEREST	\$15,015.00
USA BLUE BOOK	HACH DPD	\$203.35
UTILITY EQUIPMENT CO.	CURB BOX LID, HYDRANT MARKER, RISERS	\$864.96
VANDER POL EXCAVATING	4TH AVE STORM SEWER PROJECT	\$106,610.67
VERIZON	CELL PHONES	\$278.22
VISA	FACE MASKS, POSTAGE, SOFTWARE	\$452.53
WELLMARK BLUE CROSS/BLUE SHIELD	GROUP INSURANCE	\$10,054.00
WEST IOWA TELEPHONE	TELEPHONE, FAX, INTERNET	\$626.42
	TOTAL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	\$547,013.51

OPEN BURNING ORDINANCE: Oltmans informed the Council about an issue with a resident burning within city limits. Oltmans and the Police Department addressed the individual and made them aware of the Alton's Open Burning Ordinance. The OCPD requests direction on charges.

It was the consensus of the Council that since the resident was notified of the violation of the Open Burning Ordinance, that charges will not be filed at this time and to let the Department of Natural Resources and EPA address the situation.

PROPERTY: The Council had a request from a property owner adjacent to the property currently being leased by Sioux Golf & Country Club. Discussion was held.

Motion by Jorgensen and second by Krull to deny the request to purchase City owned land currently leased by Sioux Golf & Country Club. Ayes 4

CIGARETTE PERMIT: Casey's General Store submitted a request for renewal of their cigarette permit.

Motion by Jorgensen and second by Plathe to approve renewal of cigarette permit for Casey's General Store. Ayes 4

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Oltmans presented the recommendations from the Alton Economic Development Commission regarding a Business Encouragement Grant application.

Motion by Plathe and second by Jorgensen to award a Business Encouragement Grant to Heying Company. Ayes 4

PARKING: Mayor Schutt informed the Council about several complaints he has received on truck/camper parking in town. Oltmans has spoken to the Chief of Police about fines and enforcement. Oltmans contacted the City Attorney for guidance. The Alton Code of Ordinances has a tiered fine schedule to address parking violations. Pottebaum also requested guidance on how the Council wants the ordinance enforced. It was the consensus of the Council to allow police department discretion and judgement unless there are complaints.

PARKS SIDEWALK: The Council discussed the sidewalk on the west side of the Band Shell Park adjacent to the current storm sewer project. With the current storm sewer project, a portion of the sidewalk needs to be replaced. Staff inspected the remaining portion and over half of the sidewalk needs to be replaced due to deterioration. It was the consensus of the Council to replace the whole length of that sidewalk. Oltmans received and presented bids from Jellema Construction and Van Wyk Concrete.

Motion by Mulder and second by Krull to approve Jellema Construction's bid to replace sidewalk along 4th Ave. Ayes 4

PARKS CLOSURE: Oltmans has received several inquiries about park closures, recreation programs, and the pool opening. The Rec Board will follow the Governor's guidance for schools for baseball and softball. All other activities are cancelled. Jorgensen informed the Council that Sioux Golf will not be holding their rec program this summer.

Oltmans updated the Council that Pleva Mechanical plans to complete work on the baby pool within the next couple of weeks. After the work is completed, the City will need to apply to the Iowa Department of Health for a follow up inspection.

It was the consensus of the Council to open parks to the public, but playgrounds including basketball courts are still closed by order of the Governor.

OTHER BUSINESS: Oltmans informed the Council there will need to be a special council meeting to consider a budget amendment. The electronic meeting will be set for May 30 at 10:00 AM.

Oltmans asked the Council for direction on life insurance policies for volunteer fireman. Oltmans has observed several cities discussing the issue on Clerknet, which is an email forum for cities. Mulder informed the Council that the fireman currently have coverage through the Fireman's Association.

Motion by Krull and second by Plathe to adjourn the meeting at 6:38 PM. Ayes 4

Mayor
Brian E. Schutt

City Clerk/Administrator
Dale Oltmans

April Revenue

General Fund	\$221,665.38	Capital Equipment Fund	\$10,532.61
RUT Fund	\$14,161.69	Capital Parks & Trails	\$2,004.28
Employee Benefits Fund	\$28,043.39	Water Fund	\$22,054.96
Local Option Fund	\$12,402.64	Sewer Fund	\$21,122.39
TIF – Global Fund	\$3,130.48	Electric Fund	\$79,448.27
TIF – FVM2 Phase 1 Fund	\$14,261.05	Gas Fund	\$51,807.39
Debt Service Fund	\$103,104.54	Storm Water Fund	\$2,668.47
		Total Receipts	\$586,407.54