

ALTON CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Minutes of Regular Session
Tuesday, July 16, 2024

Mayor Vande Griend called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. with Council members Frederes, Jorgensen, Kleinhesselink, Mulder, and Plathe present. Also present were Dale Oltmans, and Laurie Tentinger

Motion by Mulder and second by Kleinhesselink to approve the amended agenda. Ayes 5

Motion by Jorgensen and second by Kleinhesselink to approve the minutes from June 11, 2024, and June 26, 2024, meetings. Ayes 5

Motion by Mulder and second by Plathe to approve the financial reports as presented. Ayes 5

Motion by Kleinhesselink and second by Frederes to approve the bills as presented. Ayes 5

JULY 2024 ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>PRODUCT/SERVICE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
A & M LAUNDRY INC	LAUNDRY SERVICE	\$112.10
ACCESS SYSTEMS	COPIER FEES	\$75.53
AFLAC	AFLAC-PRE-TAX	\$417.77
AGSTATE	FUEL	\$2,964.82
AMERICAN STATE BANK	FED/FICA TAX	\$11,530.60
ANALYTICAL & CONSULTING	COMPLIANCE TESTING	\$484.52
ARNOLD MOTOR SUPPLY	BATTERY	\$175.99
AUTOMATIC BUILDING CONTROLS	FIRE ALARM SYSTEM	\$300.00
BARRY'S ELECTRIC	CITY HALL REMODEL	\$288.41
BOMGAARS	SUPPLIES	\$57.10
BUNKERS FEED	LAGOON SPRAY	\$740.02
CENTURY BUSINESS PRODUCTS	COPIER FEES	\$69.40
CITY OF ORANGE CITY	LAW ENFORCEMENT	\$53,329.75
CITY OF ORANGE CITY	GAS CONTRACT	\$3,750.00
CITY OF ORANGE CITY	PUDDLE JUMPER MAINT.	\$750.00
CITY OF ORANGE CITY	ZONING	\$1,950.00
CITY OF ORANGE CITY	POOL MANAGEMENT	\$8,000.00
CLAYTON ENERGY CORPORATION	GAS COMMODITY	\$2,541.95
CLAYTON ENERGY CORPORATION	GAS RESERVATION	\$3,661.49
CONNECTIONS INC	EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM	\$83.16
DEERE CREDIT, INC	MOWER & ACCESSORY LEASE	\$7,451.61
DEWILD GRANT RECKERT & ASSOC	ALLEY ENGINEERING	\$1,632.00
ECHO GROUP INC	URD, BREAKER, METER SOCKETS	\$2,371.07
CONSOLIDATED ELECTRICAL DIST.	BATTERY, CONTROLLER	\$2,948.78
EMC INSURANCE COMPANIES	WORKERS COMP	\$733.44
GAS PRODUCTS SALES INC	REGULATORS	\$1,074.06
GRAINGER	SAFETY GLASSES, GAS CAN	\$169.42
GROEBNER & ASSOCIATES INC	EF MACHINE, CLAMPS, TOOLS	\$11,052.98
HAWKINS WATER TREATMENT GROUP	CHEMICALS	\$488.17
IOWA ASSN. OF MUNICIPAL UTIL.	DUES	\$5,390.00
IOWA DEPT OF NATURAL RESOURCES	ANNUAL WATER SUPPLY FEE	\$136.93
IOWA LEAGUE OF CITIES	DUES	\$1,093.00

IOWA STATE TREASURER	STATE TAX	\$1,639.02
IPERS COLLECTIONS	IPERS	\$7,956.63
KOPETSKYS ACE	SUPPLIES	\$160.22
MARVS OUTDOOR POWER & EQUIP.	TRIMMER LINE	\$42.54
MID SIOUX OPPORTUNITY	PROJECT SHARE	\$120.00
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY	STREET LIGHTS	\$347.41
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY	ELECTRIC - BLOWOFF VALVE	\$30.07
MIRANDA, JAIME	UTILITY DEPOSIT REFUND	\$132.68
MISSOURI RIVER ENERGY SERVICES	ELECTRIC	\$53,864.28
MUNICIPAL UTIL-BILLS	UTILITIES	\$2,751.47
NEAL CHASE LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES, RANGE, SEED	\$1,237.61
NO STREAKING INC	WINDOW CLEANING	\$96.00
ORANGE CITY MUNICIPAL UTILITIES	BULK WATER	\$12,215.29
KERI OOSTRA	CPR TRAINING	\$560.00
ORANGE CITY SANITATION	GARBAGE HAULING	\$9,038.50
PAYROLL	PAYROLL 06/30/2024	\$39,187.56
PEFA, INC	GAS COMMODITY	\$2,127.87
PERSPECTIVE INSURANCE	BUSINESS PROTECTION - DIGGER	\$1,100.00
PREMIER COMMUNICATIONS	FORTIGATE, IT SERVICES	\$2,042.07
PRINCIPAL LIFE	GROUP INSURANCE	\$156.37
RANDY'S IRON WORKS INC	SUPPLIES	\$94.08
REHAB SYSTEMS INC.	LIFT STATION CLEANING	\$2,755.00
SCHUETZ AUTO BODY, LLC	TRUCK STICKERS	\$160.50
SIOUXLAND PRESS	CCR, PUBLICATIONS	\$394.50
THOMPSON AUTOMATION & SPECIALTY	LIFT STATION EQUIP REPAIR	\$752.49
TREASURER - STATE OF IOWA	WATER EXCISE TAX	\$1,619.64
TREASURER - STATE OF IOWA	SALES TAX	\$3,242.43
U. S. POSTMASTER	POSTAGE	\$500.00
UNUM LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY	GROUP INSURANCE	\$355.99
UTILITY EQUIPMENT CO.	SADDLE, COUPLINGS, CLAMP	\$1,129.99
VAN WERT INC.	ERTS	\$1,890.17
VERIZON	CELL PHONES	\$589.31
VISA	TRAVEL, TRAINING, SUPPLIES	\$1,332.83
WELLMARK BLUE CROSS/BLUE SHIELD	GROUP INSURANCE	\$8,060.64
WESCO DISTRIBUTION, INC.	STREET LIGHTS	\$9,200.00
WEST IOWA TELEPHONE	TELEPHONE, FAX, INTERNET	\$691.54
		<u>\$293,398.77</u>

NATURAL AREA DESIGNATION: Arlan and Gail Van Grouw submitted pictures and a request for their property on West Railroad St to be deemed a Natural Area. This would exempt the property from being mowed and left in its natural state except noxious weeds.

It was the consensus of the Council to take no action.

AIM - STREET DANCE REQUEST: Alton in Motion has requested the closing of 10th St. between 3rd Ave and 2nd Ave for a street dance on September 14, 2024.

Motion by Plathe and second by Mulder to close 10th St. between 3rd Ave and 2nd Ave for a street dance on September 14, 2024. Ayes 5

PEST CONTROL: Staff obtained a quote from Triple C Pest Control, LLC to spray mosquitoes. Discussion was held on the cost, possible opposition, and effectiveness.

It was the consensus of the Council to take no action.

EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT 28E: Oltmans reviewed discussion held at the Early Childhood Development 28E meeting as well as subsequent e-mails discussions. The task force established by the daycare commissioned and funded Crittenton Center to evaluate the daycare health and viability/sustainability. Crittenton Center prepared a management agreement and a lease agreement.

The Council discussed the agreement's imbalance and incompleteness. The Council questioned the rushed process, the impact on residents and daycare staff, and potential liability to the City. Discussion was held on participation in the 28E.

It was the consensus of the Council to take no action until more precise information is provided.

PROPOSED "CODE OF ORDINANCES" OF THE CITY OF ALTON:

ORDINANCE 889: "AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE "CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ALTON, IOWA"

Motion by Jorgensen that title of said bill for Ordinance be approved as set out and said bill for Ordinance 889 be adopted. Council Member Kleinhesselink seconded the foregoing motion.

On roll call vote:

Ayes: Jorgensen, Kleinhesselink, Plathe, Frederes, Mulder

Nays: None

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

2024 FLOODING UPDATE: Oltmans updated the Council on the progress after the June flood. The lift stations are up and running but the starters aren't working on the generators. New generators have been ordered but are several months out. DGR has prepared plans and a contract with Cleveringa Excavating for repair of the lagoon embankment. The contract has been executed and repairs have begun with DGR inspecting the work. Most of the equipment damaged has been inspected and repaired. Staff is making a list of possible mitigation equipment. The transformers, switchgears and gas main stored at the tree dump and Division Street property, were under water and will need to be replaced. When E. 10th St. was seal coated a sink hole was discovered after the flood. Staff will work to determine the source and repairs will be made. The County will inspect the bridge on 3rd Ave and DGR is preparing a study on replacing the approach to the 3rd Ave bridge. Discussion was held on the possibility of using culverts on the Garfield Street bridge. A portion of the repairs will possibly be covered by FEMA. Repair work is on hold until FEMA gives the go ahead. Staff have begun the preliminary process of providing documentation and meeting with FEMA to begin the grant process. Oltmans reported that this is a long process and that the previous floods with less damage took almost two years to close out and receive final grant payments.

PERSONNEL:

RESOLUTION 24-25: “A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALTON, IOWA, SETTING SALARIES AND WAGES FOR APPOINTED OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025” was introduced and moved for adoption by Council Member Jorgensen. Kleinhesselink seconded the motion to adopt.

On roll call vote:

Ayes: Jorgensen, Kleinhesselink, Mulder, Frederes, Plathe

Nays: None

Whereupon Mayor Vande Griend declared the Resolution duly adopted.

OTHER BUSINESS: Discussion was held on a possible ordinance for mandatory evacuation of campers and potential places for displaced campers.

Motion by Kleinhesselink and second by Frederes to adjourn the meeting at 7:12PM. Ayes 5

Mayor
Dan Vande Griend

City Clerk/Administrator
Dale Oltmans

June Revenue

General Fund	\$30,985.27	Capital Parks & Trails Fund	\$186.71
RUT Fund	\$19,898.36	Water Fund	\$28,263.37
Employee Benefits Fund	\$275.73	Sewer Fund	\$28,584.76
Local Option Sales Tax Fund	\$18,447.51	Electric Fund	\$67,102.21
TIF – FVM2 Phase 1 Fund	\$137.55	Gas Fund	\$33,573.20
Debt Service Fund	\$5,721.54	Storm Water Fund	\$2,772.52
Capital Equipment Fund	\$256.95		
		Total Receipts	\$236,205.68