

ALTON CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Minutes of Regular Session
Tuesday, May 13, 2014

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

Motion by Kleinhesselink second by Zenor to approve the agenda. Ayes 5

Motion by Schutt second by Vande Griend to approve the consent agenda, including minutes from April 15, 2014 and April 21, 2014 meetings. Ayes 5

May 2014 Bills

Total Payroll		\$31,426.73
Community Bank	FED Withholding/FICA	\$7,218.29
IPERS	IPERS	\$4,552.51
Iowa State Treasurer	State Withholding	\$1,277.00
AFLAC	Insurance	\$497.33
A&M Laundry	Laundry service	\$43.28
Ag Partners	Fuel	\$1,739.34
Ag Partners - Terminal Bldg	Electric Rebate	\$2,090.00
Ag Partners - Terminal Bldg	Gas Rebate	\$400.00
Analytical & Consulting Services	Sewer Testing	\$9,749.25
Bankers Trust	2009 Bond Payment	\$74,950.00
Bankers Trust	2010 Bond Fee	\$100.00
Bankers Trust	2010 Bond Payment	\$63,795.00
Bankers Trust	2013A Bond Payment	\$88,525.00
Bankers Trust	2013B Bond Payment	\$34,262.50
Bankers Trust	Escrow Bond Payment	\$368,256.25
Bomgaars	Vehicle Maint & Supplies	\$242.47
Border States	Maint & Street Light Bulbs	\$545.84
Bracker, Neil	Electric Rebate	\$10.00
Brown Supply	Water Pipe Coupling	\$270.71
Brunst, Dan	Utility Connection Rebate	\$600.00
Chit Chat Café	Joint Council Meeting	\$220.00
Clayton Energy	Gas Commodity	\$21,394.55
Clayton Energy	Gas Reservation	\$2,071.41
Community Bank	ACH & Return Check Fees	\$58.10
Community Bank	Gas Loan	\$30,150.50
Community Bank	Return Check Fees	\$5.35
Community Insurance	Property & Liability	\$1,088.00
Dakota Riggers	Harness Lanyards	\$150.00
Dan's Tree Service	Stump Grinding	\$100.00
De Leeuw	Signs, Decals & ATV Stickers	\$1,144.00
Dearborn National	Group Insurance	\$1,098.85
DGR	Easement Survey, Consulting	\$1,622.07
Energy Economics	Meter Testing	\$303.16
Fire Service Training Bureau	Fire Training	\$150.00

Foreman Tire	Tires & Alignment	\$642.60
Fransyl Equipment	Vehicle Maintenance	\$827.00
Glenn's Copier	Office Supplies	\$430.25
Global	Supplies	\$54.33
GPM	GLS Sampler & Accessories	\$2,675.64
Holiday Inn	Travel/Training	\$475.40
I-80 Equipment	Bucket Truck	\$87,100.00
Iowa DOT	Salt	\$438.00
Iowa Finance Authority	SRF Loan Payment	\$6,798.75
Iowa League of Cities	Registration	\$180.00
Iowa One Call	Locates	\$31.50
Iowa State University	Fire Training	\$150.00
Jebro	CRS-2	\$766.50
Klay, Veldhuizen, Bindner, De Jong	Legal Fees	\$270.00
Kriz-Davis	Repair Kit	\$60.00
MBMECA	Electric Transmission	\$5,136.08
Metering & Technology Solutions	Meter	\$574.15
Mid-American	Street Lighting	\$119.28
Mid Sioux	Project Share	\$20.00
Missouri River	Electric	\$39,846.43
Motor Inn	Vehicle Maintenance	\$223.43
Municipal Utilities	Utilities	\$2,019.37
NAPA	Vehicle Maintenance	\$1,010.55
Neal Chase	Supplies & Maintenance	\$647.26
Northwest Iowa Agronomy	Electric Rebate	\$250.00
Northwest Iowa Planning & Dev.	Annual Dues	\$547.20
Northwest Iowa REC	Meeting Registration	\$35.00
Orange City Municipal Utilities	Bulk Water	\$7,435.24
Orange City Sanitation	Clean-up Days	\$290.00
Orange City Sanitation	Garbage Hauling	\$5,911.70
Outdoor Recreation Products	Playground Equipment	\$1,477.25
Pluim Publishing	Electric Notice	\$54.38
Schwebach's Powder Coating	Fire Pit Cover	\$85.00
Sioux Golf & CC	Hall Rental	\$125.00
Siouxland Press	Publications	\$297.00
Skarshaug	Safety Equipment Testing	\$299.90
Stan Houston Equipment	Oil	\$199.80
Style-Rite	Seat Repair	\$99.00
Treasurer - State of Iowa	Sales Tax	\$3,912.58
Tritech	Rescue Billing	\$55.00
US Cellular	Cell Phones	\$228.34
USA Bluebook	Testing Supplies	\$252.88
Van Maanen's	Charger	\$9.99
Visa	Travel/Training, Supplies	\$541.88
Wellmark	Group Insurance	\$8,817.52
Wesco	Wire	\$1,504.68
WesTel	Telephone, Fax & Internet	\$536.93
Zep	Paper Towels	\$182.14
Grand Total		\$920,207.29

Council member Vande Griend left meeting due to conflict of interest.

Kennedy Ave: Les Cleveringa presented the Council with a cost estimate to hard surface Kennedy Ave from Highway 10 to the northern end of Prairies Edge Development.

Cleveringa proposed the City pay for 50% of the third party participation required for consideration by the County.

Oltmans presented the Council with information on previous Council actions and the annexation process. There was nothing documented in regards to the City paving the road.

Oltmans informed the Council that the curb and gutter would have to be waived if road was hard surfaced and the funding source would have to be a bond.

Zenor commented that currently the City does not have enough funds to fix the current streets let alone hard surface a new street.

Schutt mentioned that normally the developer reaps the financial benefits of a new development because they usually take on the cost of the infrastructure and paving roads.

Bengard pointed out that any action would set a precedence for future developments and projects.

Kleinhesselink stated in 2004 when the development was platted, the Council informed Cleveringa that the City would not be responsible for paving Kennedy Ave. Mayor Minten and Oltmans were Council members at the time and concur with Kleinhesselink's remarks.

The consensus of the Council was to take no action.

Speed Limit: Cleveringa requested that the current speed limit on Kennedy Ave be lowered to 35 mph. Per the County Engineer a request must be made by the City. Mayor Minten will speak with the Sheriff and the Chief of Police.

Motion by Schutt and second by Zenor to submit a request to the Sioux County Engineer to change the speed limit to 35 mph from the north edge of Prairies Edge Development to Highway 10 based on the County Engineer's recommendation. Ayes 4

Cleveringa left at 6:27.

Vande Griend rejoined Council.

Sanitation Contract: Oltmans informed the Council that the NWI Solid Waste Landfill has increased the gate fee due to additional regulatory requirements. Orange City Sanitation has requested a \$.50 increase per household per month to cover the increased gate fee.

It being a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Alton, Iowa, Councilman Bengard introduces and causes to be read a bill for Ordinance 707 entitled:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ALTON, IOWA 2002 BY AMENDING PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO THE COLLECTION AND TRANSPORTATION OF SOLID WASTE

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, Vande Griend, Zenor

Nays: None

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 Vande Griend seconds the foregoing motion.

On roll call vote:

Ayes: Bengard, Kleinhesselink, Schutt, Vande Griend, 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.

Liquor License: Oltmans informed the Council that he was approached but has not received a formal request from the Double D Bar or Tag's Sports Grill for extension of outdoor service for the scheduled benefit on June 7. No action taken.

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

Motion by Bengard and second by Schutt to approve renewal of cigarette permit for Casey's General Store. Ayes 5

Emergency Management: The Council reviewed a Severe Weather Warning Procedure prepared by Nate Huizenga.

Motion by Bengard and second by Kleinhesselink to approve the Severe Weather Warning Procedure with corrections. Ayes 5

Code of Ordinances: Discussion was held on updating user fees and services charges. Kleinhesselink will look into ambulance costs in surrounding areas.

It being a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Alton, Iowa, Councilman Schutt introduces and causes to be read a bill for Ordinance 708 entitled:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ALTON, IOWA 2002 BY AMENDING PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO APENDIX A, ARTICLE 1 – USER FEES AND SERVICE CHARGES

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 Bengard.

On roll call vote:

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

Nays: None

And the Mayor declares the motion duly carried.

Motion by Schutt that title of said bill for Ordinance be approved as set out and said bill for Ordinance 708 be adopted and placed on its final passage. Council member Vande Griend seconds the foregoing motion.

On roll call vote:

Ayes: Bengard, Kleinhesselink, Schutt, Vande Griend, 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.

Transfer of Funds:

RESOLUTION 14-05 “A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALTON, IOWA MAKING A TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE REPLACEMENT FUND TO THE CAPITAL EQUIPMENT FUND” was introduced and moved for adoption by Council Member Kleinhesselink. Bengard seconded the motion to adopt.

Upon roll call vote, the following was recorded:

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Whereupon the Mayor declared the Resolution duly adopted.

RESOLUTION 14-08 “A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALTON, IOWA MAKING A TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM THE SEWER FUND TO THE CAPITAL GENERATOR FUND” was introduced and moved for adoption by Council Member Bengard. Zenor seconded the motion to adopt.

Upon roll call vote, the following was recorded:

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Whereupon the Mayor declared the Resolution duly adopted

Personnel:

RESOLUTION 14-06 “A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALTON, IOWA, SETTING SALARIES AND WAGES FOR APPOINTED OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY” was introduced and moved for adoption by Council Member Zenor.

Kleinhesselink seconded the motion to adopt.

Upon roll call vote, the following was recorded:

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Whereupon the Mayor declared the Resolution duly adopted

RESOLUTION 14-06 “A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALTON, IOWA, SETTING WAGES FOR LIBRARY EMPLOYEES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014-2015” was introduced and moved for adoption by Council Member Zenor. Kleinhesselink seconded the motion to adopt.

Upon roll call vote, the following was recorded:

Ayes: Bengard, Kleinhesselink, Schutt, Vande Griend

Nays: None

Absent: Zenor

Whereupon the Mayor declared the Resolution duly adopted

Other Business:

Discussion was held in regards to the Emerald Ash Borer, township fire dues, and a complaint received at the City Office.

Motion by Kleinhesselink to adjourn the meeting at 7:07 PM, second by Vande Griend. Ayes 5

Mayor,
Ron Minten

City Clerk/Administrator
Dale Oltmans

April Revenue

General Fund	\$121,314.31	Capital Equipment Fund	\$28.98
RUT Fund	\$7,736.66	LMI Housing	\$16.19
Employee Benefits	\$10,057.07	Capital Parks & Trails	\$5.16
Local Option Fund	\$10,117.99	Water Fund	\$18,124.69
TIF - Industrial Park	\$149,064.24	Sewer Fund	\$9,678.89
TIF-FVM2- Phase 1 Fund	\$2,004.88	Electric Fund	\$83,265.75
TIF-FVM1 Fund	\$35,737.23	Gas Fund	\$104,576.94
Debt Service Fund	\$79,929.99		
		Total Receipts	\$643,541.21