

**ALTON CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Minutes of Regular Session**  
**Tuesday, September 8, 2015**

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 Dale Oltmans and Laurie Stoos.

Motion by Zenor and second by Bengard to approve the agenda. Ayes 5

Motion by Bengard and second by Schutt to approve the consent agenda, including minutes from the August 11, 2015 meeting. Ayes 5

**SEPTEMBER 2015 BILLS**

VENDOR	SERVICE	AMOUNT
A & M LAUNDRY INC	LAUNDRY SERVICE	\$43.28
ACCESS SYSTEMS	COPIER FEES	\$40.32
AFLAC	AFLAC-PRE-TAX	\$497.33
AG PARTNERS	FUEL	\$1,179.61
ANALYTICAL & CONSULTING	COMPLIANCE TESTING	\$1,274.11
BLOM ELECTRIC	AIR COMPRESSOR REPAIR	\$93.55
BLOM PROPERTIES	GAS REBATE	\$525.00
BOMGAARS	SUPPLIES	\$180.40
BROWN SUPPLY CO.	CURB STOP	\$1,529.69
BUNKERS FEED	LAGOON SPRAY	\$501.88
CERTIFIED TESTING SERVICES	TESTING	\$1,858.90
CLAYTON ENERGY CORPORATION	GAS COMMODITY	\$5,688.86
CLAYTON ENERGY CORPORATION	GAS RESERVATION	\$2,499.45
CLEVERINGA EXCAVATING	2015 E. 11TH ST IMPROVEMENTS	\$64,666.04
COMMUNITY BANK	ACH FEES	\$27.40
COMMUNITY BANK (FED WHLD)	FED/FICA TAX	\$8,222.16
COMMUNITY INS	SNOWPLOW TRUCK COVERAGE	\$641.00
DEGRAAF PLUMBING	REPAIRS	\$62.00
DEWILD GRANT RECKERT & ASSOC	11TH ST, 7TH AVE, INDUSTRIAL PARK	\$9,904.05
ECHO GROUP INC	CONDUIT	\$770.33
FAREWAY STORES INC	SUPPLIES	\$13.85
FELD FIRE	GASKETS	\$56.10
GOODLAND PUMP SERVICE	LIFT PUMP REPAIRS	\$6,982.22
HAWKINS WATER TREATMENT GROUP	CHEMICALS	\$25.00
HENTGES PLUMBING	SUPPLIES/REPAIRS	\$143.18
ICON AG & TURF	EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	\$219.38
IOWA ASSN. OF MUNICIPAL UTIL.	GAS OQ WORKSHOP, ELECTRIC WORKSHOP	\$720.00
IOWA ONE CALL	LOCATES	\$32.40
IOWA STATE TREASURER	STATE TAX	\$1,370.00
IPERS COLLECTIONS	IPERS	\$4,803.77
KLAY,VELDHUIZEN,BINDNER,DEJONG	LEGAL FEES	\$632.00
KORVER LAWN CARE	DRAINAGE DITCH	\$400.00
KRIZ-DAVIS CO.	LED FIXTURES	\$1,835.79
MATHESON TRI-GAS IN	OXYGEN	\$25.60
MBMECA	ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION	\$2,832.72
METERING & TECHNOLOGY SOL	METERS, METER INSTALLATION - WATER	\$48,235.65
MIDAMERICAN	LIGHTS	\$149.49

MID SIOUX OPPORTUNITY	PROJECT SHARE	\$20.00
MIKE'S WELDING & REPAIR	PIPE	\$687.45
MISSOURI RIVER ENERGY SERVICES	BROCHURES, REGISTRATION	\$339.13
MISSOURI RIVER ENERGY SERVICES	ELECTRIC	\$42,547.80
MOC-FV BAND PARENTS	ADVERTISEMENT	\$50.00
MUNICIPAL UTIL-BILLS	UTILITIES	\$1,743.98
NEAL CHASE LUMBER CO	EQUIPMENT REPAIRS, SUPPLIES, POSTAGE	\$889.66
JODY NIBBELINK	SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT	\$410.00
NO STREAKING INC	LIBRARY WINDOW CLEANING	\$83.00
NOTEBOOM ELECTRIC	ELBOW	\$7.42
ORANGE CITY MUNICIPAL UTILITIES	BULK WATER	\$7,421.80
ORANGE CITY SANITATION	GARBAGE HAULING	\$6,276.70
PAYROLL	AUGUST 2015 PAYROLL	\$27,197.82
PLUIM PUBLISHING CO., INC.	SUPPLIES	\$4.08
R & J WELDING AND DESIGN	FLAG BRACKETS	\$139.10
RACHEL FRANKLIN	TRAINING FEES	\$250.00
SIOUX COUNTY TREASURER	PROPERTY TAX - GAS	\$6,296.00
SIOUX COUNTY TREASURER	PROPERTY TAX - HEIMSTRA ADDITION	\$226.75
SIOUX COUNTY TREASURER	PROPERTY TAX	\$774.00
SIOUXLAND DISTRICT HEALTH DEPT	POOL INSPECTION	\$288.00
SIOUXLAND PRESS	PUBLICATIONS, ENVELOPES	\$562.40
T & R ELECTRIC	PCB ANALYSIS	\$60.00
TREASURER - STATE OF IOWA	SALES TAX	\$4,061.00
TRITECH EMERGENCY SYSTEMS INC	RESCUE BILLING	\$82.50
U S CELLULAR	CELL PHONES	\$331.63
U. S. POSTMASTER	POSTAGE	\$500.00
UTILITY EQUIPMENT CO.	REPAIRS, COUPLINGS - WATER	\$3,628.93
UTILITY SALES & SERVICE	METERS - GAS	\$11,705.15
VAN WERT INC.	METERS - ELECTRIC	\$16,317.50
VAN WYK CONCRETE	CONCRETE PADS	\$1,563.00
VANDER POL EXCAVATING	2015 7TH AVE IMPROVEMENTS	\$37,660.38
VISA	TRAVEL/TRAINING, POSTAGE, SUPPLIES	\$937.43
WATTERSON, JOE	UTILITY DEPOSIT REFUND	\$23.99
WELLMARK	GROUP INSURANCE	\$7,494.81
WESCO DISTRIBUTION, INC.	TRANSFORMER, WIRE	\$34,507.77
WEST IOWA TELEPHONE	ELECTRIC REBATE	\$1,300.00
WEST IOWA TELEPHONE	TELEPHONE, FAX, INTERNET	\$608.12
	TOTAL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE CHECKS	\$385,679.81

**ELECTRIC UTILITY:** At 6:19 PM The Mayor announced that this was the time set pursuant to resolution of the governing body and public notice given as required by law for the meeting and hearing upon the proposition of approving and consenting to the Agreement Approving Termination of Agreements Related To Transmission Capacity of Missouri Basin Municipal Electric Cooperative Association, including Exhibit A, the form of the Agreement Terminating Transmission Capacity Agreement and Related Matters attached thereto, (the "Agreement Approving Termination"). The Mayor then asked the Clerk whether any petitions or objections to the proposed action or to the form of the Agreement Approving Termination, or with respect to any matter related thereto, had been filed. The Clerk reported that objections or petitions opposed to said matters had been filed by no person.

The Mayor then asked for oral objections to the proposed Agreement Approving Termination, or any matters pertaining thereto, and oral objections were offered by no persons.

Thereafter, discussion ensued concerning the proposed Agreement Approving Termination, and the form thereof, as well as to the consequences to be expected therefrom. The Mayor closed the public hearing at 6:22 PM.

**RESOLUTION 15-35 “RESOLUTION FINALLY ADOPTING APPROVING AND CONSENTING TO THE AGREEMENT APPROVING TERMINATION OF AGREEMENTS RELATED TO TRANSMISSION CAPACITY FOR MISSOURI BASIN MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION”** 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.

**ALTON INDUSTRIAL PARK:** Oltmans informed the Council a small part of the land in the designated Urban Renewal Amendment No. 1 Area is outside city limits and therefore Sioux County must consent to the inclusion of the land in an urban renewal area.

Motion by Schutt and second by Vande Griend to approve joint agreement between the City and Sioux County regarding urban Renewal Amendment 1. Ayes 5

**RESOLUTION 15-36 “RESOLUTION DETERMINING AN AREA OF THE CITY TO BE ANY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AREA, AND THAT THE REHABILITATION, CONSERVATION, REDEVELOPMENT, DEVELOPMENT, OR A COMBINATION THEREOF, OF SUCH AREA IS NECESSARY IN THE INTEREST OF THE PUBLIC HEALTHY, SAFETY OR WELFARE OF THE RESIDENTS OF THE CITY; DESIGNATING SUCH AREA AS APPROPRIATE FOR URBAN RENEWAL PROJECTS; AND ADOPTING AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO THE ALTON URBAN RENEWAL PLAN DISTRICT 1”** was introduced and moved for adoption by Council Member Bengard. Schutt 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 15-41 “RESOLUTION PROPOSING TO DISPOSE OF CITY OWNED REAL ESTATE”** 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.

**NUISANCE:**

**RESOLUTION 15-38 “RESOLUTION ASSESSING COSTS OF MOWING AND/OR WEED CONTROL AND FOR ASSESSMENT OF SAID COSTS AND CERTIFICATION OF SAID COSTS TO THE SIOUX COUNTY AUDITOR TO BE COLLECTED AS GENERAL PROPERTY TAXES”** was introduced and moved for adoption by Council Member Bengard. Vande Griend 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.

**ANIMAL ORDINANCE:** Oltmans informed the Council that City Attorney Brad De Jong has reviewed the animal ordinance and made some changes to mirror the City of Orange City’s ordinance.

**ORDINANCE 719 “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ALTON, IOWA, BY REPEALING TITLE III, CHAPTER 3, ARTICLE 10, IN ITS ENTIRETY”** was introduced and moved for adoption by Council Member Schutt. Zenor 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

Whereupon the Mayor declared the motion carried and said proposed ordinance was given first vote for passage and will supersede the previous month’s reading and placed on file before the Council for the second time.

**CODE OF ORDINANCES:**

Ordinance 720 was introduced by Council Member Schutt

**ORDINANCE 720 “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ALTON, IOWA 2002 BY AMENDING PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO THE MUNICIPAL WATER RATES”**

Motion by Council Member Bengard 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 Kleinhesselink.

On roll call vote:

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

Nays: None

Absent: 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 720 be adopted and placed on its final passage. Council Member Zenor seconds the foregoing motion.

On roll call vote:

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

Nays: None

Absent: 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.

**BLOCK 21 ALLEY VACATION:**

**RESOLUTION 15-39 “RESOLUTION PROPOSING THE VACATION OF THE ALLEY LYING BETWEEN LOTS 4 AND 5, BLOCK 16, ALTON, IOWA”** 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, Zenor

Nays: None

Absent: None

Whereupon the Mayor declared the Resolution duly adopted.

**GLOW RUN STREET DANCE:** Double D Bar and 10<sup>th</sup> Street Pub have requested a service extension of liquor license for the Glow Run Street Dance on September 26, 2015.

Motion by Kleinhesselink and second by Vande Griend to approve The Double D and 10<sup>th</sup> St Pub’s request for extension for outdoor service on September 26, 2015, contingent upon the notification of surrounding businesses. Ayes 5

**CITY BOARDS:**

Motion by Bengard and second by Kleinhesselink to accept the Mayor’s appointments as follows:

John Steven: Board of Adjustment

Tony Konz: Planning & Zoning Commission

Tom Kiernan: Economic Development Commission

Scott Bonestroo: Chair Recreation Board

Shawn Lancaster: Recreation Board

Melody De Wit: President Library Board

Bill Schnee: Chair Historical Board

Tom Braun: Historical Board

Leah Herda: Parks & Trails Committee

Ken Kroon: Parks & Trails Committee

Brian Schutt: Mayor Pro Tem – Effective October 1, 2015

Ayes 5

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

Oltmans updated the Council on work that Union Pacific Railroad has performed on the crossings on Division St. City Staff has received authorization from Union Pacific to replace the existing storm culvert under Division St in the railroad right of way that has been discussed for several years. Since the tracks were closed for repairs, the City could replace the existing culverts without permits and inspections fees. The UP replaced the paving with the City sharing in the cost. By working with Sioux County and the UP this project was completed at a substantial cost reduction.

Kleinhesselink presented the Council information on fees paid to the fire department for fire calls, along with rates other fire departments charge for fire calls. Billing property owners for fire calls was also discussed. It was the consensus of the Council to have Kleinhesselink gather information on how much to bill out for fire calls and to discuss increasing the amount budgeted for City contribution for fire fees.

Oltmans informed the Council the responsible parties for the tree vandalism in Bandshell Park have come forward. It was the consensus of the Council to have the parties pay for replacing the tree.

Motion by Kleinhesselink and second by Bengard to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 PM. Ayes 5

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Mayor,  
Ronald L. Minten

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City Clerk/Administrator  
Dale Oltmans

**August Revenue**

General Fund	\$11,727.47	LMI Housing	\$26.50
RUT Fund	\$16,843.43	Capital Parks & Trails	\$207.85
Local Option Fund	\$12,081.70	Water Fund	\$24,602.21
TIF - Industrial Park	\$18.54	Sewer Fund	\$15,774.03
Debt Service Fund	\$10.58	Electric Fund	\$91,672.95
Capital Economic Development	\$200.00	Gas Fund	\$13,811.15
Capital Equipment Fund	\$193.56	<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$187,169.97</b>