ALTON CITY COUNCIL MEETING Minutes of Special Session Tuesday, September 27, 2022

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

Motion by Jorgensen and second by Mulder to approve the agenda. Ayes 4

Motion by Mulder and second by Krull to approve the minutes from September 13, 2022, meeting. Ayes 4

PROPERTY PURCHASE: Oltmans informed the Council that the owners of the nuisance properties in Hiemstra Addition have counteroffered the sale of properties at \$250,000. The Council discussed previous purchases, other uses of the LMI Funds, and alternatives if the properties are not purchased.

Motion by Jorgensen and second by Plathe to offer \$237,500 to purchase nine properties in Hiemstra Addition from Gutierrez/Castaneda with a decision due by October 11, 2022. Also authorizing the City Attorney to negotiate up to \$250,000 for all nine properties. Ayes 4

UTILITIES: The Council discussed Jeff Drew's request for reimbursement for plumbing fees incurred to find a leak in his apartment complex. Jorgensen spoke to the plumber who indicated it took him eleven hours to find the leaks due to the meter ERTs being switched, as well as the sporadic timing of the leak.

Motion by Plathe and second by Krull to issue a \$400 refund to Jeff Drew. Ayes 4

Motion by Krull and second by Mulder to adjourn the meeting at 6:25 PM. Ayes 4

Mayor Dan Vande Griend City Clerk/Administrator Dale Oltmans