

ALTON CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Minutes of Regular Session
Tuesday, April 11, 2023

Mayor Pro Tem Mulder called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. with Council members Jorgensen, Krull, Mulder, Plathe, and Vander Pol present. Also present were Emalee Te Brink, Melody De Wit, Gail Van Grouw, and Dale Oltmans.

Motion by Vander Pol and second by Plathe to approve the agenda. Ayes 5

LIBRARY: Melody DeWit and Emalee TeBrink, representing the Alton Public Library Board updated the Council on what is happening at the Library. DeWit spoke about the new Librarian, Jodie Evans, and the new activities, programs, and services being provided. The numbers at the Library are trending up from past numbers. Jodie wrote a grant and was able to acquire \$3,000 towards a library consultant to advise on the collections and space and how to better utilize. The Board will meet with the consultant to decide what changes they want to make. The Library's 100th Anniversary is April 22, there will be cake and ice cream at the Library.

TeBrink and DeWit left the meeting at 6:10 PM.

Motion by Jorgensen and second by Krull to approve the minutes from March 14, 2023, meeting. Ayes 5

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

Motion by Jorgensen and second by Vander Pol to approve the bills as presented. Ayes 5

APRIL 2023 ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>REFERENCE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
A & M LAUNDRY INC	LAUNDRY SERVICE	\$56.05
AFLAC	AFLAC-PRE-TAX	\$383.71
AGSTATE	FUEL	\$2,590.15
AGRIVISION EQUIPMENT	FILLER CAP	\$27.86
AHLERS & COONEY, P.C.	BOUNDRY ADJUSTMENT ANNEXATION	\$589.00
AMERICAN STATE BANK	FED/FICA TAX	\$10,350.37
ANALYTICAL & CONSULTING	COMPLIANCE TESTING	\$174.47
ARNOLD MOTOR SUPPLY	FILTER, OIL	\$132.60
BOMGAARS	SUPPLIES	\$213.41
BORDER STATES INDUSTRIES, INC.	HIGH VOLTAGE CAPS, GROUND RODS	\$1,974.97
BRACKER, NEIL	ELECTRIC & GAS REBATE	\$75.00
CENTURY BUSINESS PRODUCTS	COPIER FEES	\$77.98
CERTIFIED POOL TRAINERS	CPO TRAINING	\$350.00
CITY OF ORANGE CITY	LAW ENFORCEMENT, GAS CONTRACT	\$49,236.25
CLAYTON ENERGY CORPORATION	GAS RESERVATION	\$22,855.56
CLAYTON ENERGY CORPORATION	GAS COMMODITY	\$18,858.62
CLEVERINGA EXCAVATING	PIPE	\$181.90
CONNECTIONS INC	EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM	\$83.16
DEWILD GRANT RECKERT & ASSOC	EL SYSTEM STUDY, WASTEWATER	\$6,072.00
ECHO GROUP INC	COMMUNITY BLDG SUPPLIES	\$645.57
EMC INSURANCE COMPANIES	WORKERS COMP DEDUCTIBLES	\$1,302.45
FRANK DUNN CO	HIGH PERFORMANCE PATCH	\$949.00

GRAINGER	EARPLUGS	\$46.57
HANCOCK CONCRETE PRODUCTS	3RD AVE PROJECT MANHOLE	\$3,834.50
HANSEN BODY SHOP	STALL PANELS	\$636.20
HAWKE & CO AG SERVICES	JCB MAINT.	\$2,286.93
HULSHOF, ETHAN	UTILITY DEPOSIT REFUND	\$219.85
IOWA ASSN. OF MUNICIPAL UTIL.	DUES	\$5,828.00
IOWA STATE TREASURER	STATE TAX	\$1,489.33
IPERS COLLECTIONS	IPERS	\$7,039.60
KLAY, VELDHUIZEN,BINDNER,DEJONG	LEGAL FEES	\$3,837.50
KOPETSKYS ACE	OUTLET COVER, SUPPLIES	\$19.15
MID SIOUX OPPORTUNITY	PROJECT SHARE	\$120.00
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY	STREETLIGHTS	\$347.09
MIKES WELDING & REPAIR	SUPPLIES	\$244.80
MISSOURI RIVER ENERGY SERVICES	ELECTRIC	\$45,274.36
MUNICIPAL UTIL-BILLS	UTILITIES	\$3,258.31
NEAL CHASE LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES, SUMP PUMP	\$446.88
NO STREAKING INC	WINDOW CLEANING	\$96.00
NORTHERN MUNICIPAL DIST	L&R FUND ASSESSMENT	\$1,090.52
ORANGE CITY MUNICIPAL UTILITIE	BULK WATER	\$6,087.46
ORANGE CITY HEALTH SYSTEM	PARAMEDIC ASSISTS	\$272.00
ORANGE CITY SANITATION	GARBAGE HAULING	\$8,632.00
PAYROLL	PAYROLL 03/31/2023	\$33,748.58
PCC	RESCUE BILLING	\$759.02
PEFA, INC	GAS COMMODITY	\$10,730.94
POPPEMA, ANNA	UTILITY DEPOSIT REFUND	\$64.20
PREMIER COMMUNICATIONS	IT SERVICES	\$700.00
PRINCIPAL LIFE	GROUP INSURANCE	\$164.98
RANDY'S IRON WORKS INC	HYDRAULIC HOSE & FITTINGS	\$434.79
SIOUXLAND GLASS	BUSINESS INCENTIVE	\$2,500.00
SIOUXLAND PRESS	PUBLICATIONS	\$36.50
SUPERHITECH	CAMERA - DUMP	\$1,979.91
TOWN & COUNTRY IMPLEMENT	HY-TRAN	\$390.00
TREASURER - STATE OF IOWA	WATER EXCISE TAX	\$1,257.06
TREASURER - STATE OF IOWA	SALES TAX	\$4,918.92
U. S. POSTMASTER	POSTAGE	\$500.00
UNUM LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY	GROUP INSURANCE	\$338.69
UTILITY EQUIPMENT CO.	REPAIR CLAMP	\$470.41
VERIZON	CELL PHONES	\$588.57
VISA	TRAINING, TOOLBOX, REC EQUIPMENT	\$3,292.14
WELLMARK BLUE CROSS/BLUE SHIELD	GROUP INSURANCE	\$10,782.18
WESCO DISTRIBUTION, INC.	JUNCTION CONNECTIONS	\$1,775.00
WEST IOWA TELEPHONE	TELEPHONE, FAX, INTERNET	\$665.12
	TOTAL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	\$284,384.14

BUDGET: Mayor Pro Tem Mulder opened a public hearing for the Fiscal Year 2024 Budget at 6:15 PM. No written or oral comments were received. The Council discussed how increased valuations will affect the City Budget. Mayor Pro Tem Mulder closed the public hearing at 6:22 PM.

RESOLUTION 23-13: “A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALTON, IOWA ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2024” was introduced and moved for adoption by Council Member Jorgensen. Vander Pol seconded the motion to adopt.

On roll call vote:

Ayes: Jorgensen, Vander Pol, Plathe, Krull, Mulder

Nays: None

Whereupon the Mayor Pro Tem Mulder declared the Resolution duly adopted.

DELINQUENT UTILITY ACCOUNT: Oltmans informed the Council of a resident who had utilities disconnected for non-payment and the possibility of the property being sold. To ensure collection of delinquent utilities staff is requesting a lien on the property after final billing.

RESOLUTION 23-16: “A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALTON, IOWA, CERTIFYING DELINQUENT UTILITY AMOUNTS” was introduced and moved for adoption by Council Member Krull. Plathe seconded the motion to adopt.

On roll call vote:

Ayes: Krull, Plathe, Vander Pol, Jorgensen, Mulder

Nays: None

Whereupon the Mayor Pro Tem Mulder declared the Resolution duly adopted.

PLANNING & ZONING: Mayor Pro Tem Mulder opened a public hearing for rezoning lots 1, 2, 13, and 14 Hiemstra’s First Addition at 6:25 PM. The Planning & Zoning Board’s recommendation is to rezone the properties. There were no oral comments received. Mayor Pro Tem Mulder closed the public hearing at 6:28 PM.

RESOLUTION 23-14: “RESOLUTION APPROVING THE REZONING OF LOTS 1, 2, 13, AND 14, HIEMSTRA’S FIRST ADDITION, ALTON, IOWA” was introduced and moved for adoption by Council Member Jorgensen. Vander Pol seconded the motion to adopt.

On roll call vote:

Ayes: Jorgensen, Vander Pol, Plathe, Krull, Mulder

Nays: None

Whereupon the Mayor Pro Tem Mulder declared the Resolution duly adopted.

ORDINANCE 881: “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 647 KNOWN AS THE CITY OF ALTON ZONING ORDINANCE PURSUANT TO SECTION 25.1 AND SECTION 1.5 OF SAID ORDINANCE AS PREVIOUSLY PASSED AND ADOPTED THE 13TH DAY OF DECEMBER 2004.”

Ordinance 881 was introduced by Council Member Vander Pol.

Motion by Council Member Krull that the reading just had to be the final reading 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 Jorgensen.

Ayes: Krull, Jorgensen, Plathe, Vander Pol, Mulder
Nays: None

And the Mayor Pro Tem declares the motion duly carried.

Motion by Jorgensen that title of said bill for Ordinance be approved as set out and said bill for Ordinance 881 be adopted and placed on its final passage. Council Member Krull seconded the foregoing motion.

Ayes: Jorgensen, Krull, Vander Pol, Plathe, Mulder
Nays: None

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

HIEMSTRA FIRST ADDITION: RESOLUTION 23-15 “RESOLUTION PROPOSING TO DISPOSE OF CITY OWNED REAL ESTATE” was introduced and moved for adoption by Council Member Mulder. Plathe seconded the motion to adopt.

On roll call vote:

Ayes: Mulder, Plathe, Krull, Vander Pol, Jorgensen
Nays: None

Whereupon the Mayor Pro Tem Mulder declared the Resolution duly adopted.

Oltmans updated the Council on the Gutierrez/Castaneda property. A judge has set aside the prior judgement indicating Gutierrez/Castaneda did not have proper representation by his prior attorney. City Attorney De Jong inquired if the Council wants to extend another offer to Gutierrez. Oltmans explained if Gutierrez accepts the offer, he relinquishes his interest in the property and the City will still have to take action against the property as abandoned property.

Motion by Jorgensen and second by Mulder to present a best and final offer of \$15,000, for Gutierrez/Castaneda to sign a quick claim deed for 802 Park Street. Ayes 5

OTHER BUSINESS: Oltmans updated the Council on the survey in Scholten Addition. The previous surveyor did not consider the alley, so properties were not appropriately allocated. The Council will need to discuss the possibility of vacating the alley.

Oltmans presented an inquiry by Pat Kelling, who has a house in Granville, to inquire whether the Council is interested in potentially allowing the home to be moved onto property on Park Street.

Jorgensen updated the Council on new employees at Sioux Golf. Marla Te Grotenhuis and Jim Lancaster will both be working in the kitchen at the Club House.

Motion by Krull and second by Plathe to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 PM. Ayes 5

Mayor Pro Tem
Justin Mulder

City Clerk/Administrator
Dale Oltmans

March Revenue

General Fund	\$27,265.67	Capital Parks & Trails Fund	\$121.93
RUT Fund	\$8,279.20	Water Fund	\$26,546.20
Employee Benefits Fund	\$897.55	Sewer Fund	\$28,294.92
Local Option Sales Tax Fund	\$20,609.71	Electric Fund	\$97,170.66
TIF – FVM2 Phase 1 Fund	\$2,344.12	Gas Fund	\$138,716.95
Debt Service Fund	\$7,163.70	Storm Water Fund	\$2,830.57
Capital Equipment Fund	\$208.75	Total Receipts	\$360,449.93