

ALTON CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Minutes of Regular Session
Tuesday, September 10, 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 Pedro Ruiz, Emalee TeBrink, Jodie, Evans, Dale Oltmans and Laurie Tentinger.

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

SOCCER FIELD: Pedro Ruiz spoke to the Council regarding the use of City property as a soccer field. Ruiz requested the City's support in getting nets, flags and a painting machine. The Council requested more information on pricing. The Council will discuss once prices are established.

WAGES: Emalee TeBrink, Library Board President and Jodie Evans, Head Librarian updated the Council on the increasing use of the library and desired plans. TeBrink informed the Council of the potential need for additional staff during busy months. She expressed the Board's satisfaction with current employees and the Board's belief that employee wages needed to be adjusted.

Ruiz, TeBrink and Evans left the meeting at 6:37 PM.

The Council discussed the Board's recommendation and budget allocations.

RESOLUTION 24-27: "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALTON, IOWA, SETTING WAGES FOR LIBRARY EMPLOYEES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025" was introduced and moved for adoption by Council Member Jorgensen. Mulder seconded the motion to adopt.

On roll call vote:

Ayes: Jorgensen, Mulder, Plathe, Frederes, Kleinhesselink

Nays: None

Whereupon the Mayor Vande Griend declared the Resolution duly adopted.

Motion by Jorgensen and second by Kleinhesselink to approve the minutes from August 13, 2024, meeting. Ayes 5

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

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

SEPTEMBER 2024 ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>PRODUCT/SERVICE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
A & M LAUNDRY INC	LAUNDRY SERVICE	\$56.05
AALBERS EXCAVATING/TRUCKING	ROCK, WATER SERVICE	\$2,398.38
ACCESS SYSTEMS	COPIER FEES	\$21.20
AFLAC	AFLAC-PRE-TAX	\$417.77
AGSTATE	FUEL	\$2,622.90
AHLERS & COONEY, P.C.	URBAN RENEWAL	\$27.00
AMERICAN STATE BANK	FED/FICA TAX	\$11,622.04
AMERIGROUP IOWA, INC	PAYMENT REFUND	\$204.63
ANALYTICAL & CONSULTING	COMPLIANCE TESTING	\$1,052.39
ARNOLD MOTOR SUPPLY	FILTER, OIL	\$124.83
BALJEU, KAITLYN	UTILITY DEPOSIT REFUND	\$86.62
BLUE VALLEY PUBLIC SAFETY	TORNADO SIREN INSPECTION	\$925.00
BOLKEMA REPAIR LLC	TRUCK REPAIRS	\$359.31
BOMGAARS	AIR COMPRESSOR, HOSE	\$313.33
CENTURY BUSINESS PRODUCTS	COPIER FEES	\$70.79
CITY OF ORANGE CITY	POOL MANAGEMENT	\$4,000.00
CLAYTON ENERGY CORPORATION	GAS COMMODITY	\$3,186.01
CLAYTON ENERGY CORPORATION	GAS RESERVATION	\$3,661.49
DEWILD GRANT RECKERT & ASSOC	2024 FLOOD REPAIRS, GIS MAPPING	\$10,020.50
DITCH WITCH OF SOUTH DAKOTA	TRENCHER TEETH	\$247.39
ECHO GROUP INC	INVENTORY, CONDUIT	\$632.08
EMERGENCY APPARATUS MAINT	PUMP SERVICE & TESTING	\$6,928.78
FRANSYL EQUIPMENT CO., INC.	TRUCK MAINT.	\$1,947.85
GROEBNER & ASSOCIATES INC	TOOLS	\$708.92
HAWKINS WATER TREATMENT GROUP	CHEMICALS	\$10.00
IOWA DEPT OF NATURAL RESOURCES	WASTEWATER PERMIT	\$210.00
IOWA ONE CALL	LOCATES	\$26.20
IOWA STATE TREASURER	STATE TAX	\$1,676.13
IPERS COLLECTIONS	IPERS	\$7,937.99
STUART C IRBY CO	PIPE SQUEEGEE	\$149.50
JANITOR'S CLOSET	VACUUM, BATTERY	\$997.87
JOE'S TV & APPLIANCE	TV	\$1,122.42
KOPETSKYS ACE	SUPPLIES, TOOLBOXES	\$272.95
MACQUEEN EQUIPMENT	SCBA TEST & CERTIFICATION	\$915.75
MARVS OUTDOOR POWER & EQUIP.	CHAINS, SHARPENING	\$138.99
METERING & TECHNOLOGY SOL	METERS	\$953.76
MID SIOUX OPPORTUNITY	PROJECT SHARE	\$200.00
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY	STREETLIGHTS	\$347.55
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY	ELECTRIC - BLOWOFF VALVE	\$29.96
MIKES WELDING & REPAIR	WELDING GAS, SUPPLIES	\$303.10
MISSOURI RIVER ENERGY SERVICES	OIL SAMPLES	\$2,971.90
MISSOURI RIVER ENERGY SERVICES	ELECTRIC	\$51,326.85
MOUW MOTOR	TRUCK SERVICE	\$75.77
MUNICIPAL UTIL-BILLS	UTILITIES	\$2,845.52
NCC	EMS TRAINING	\$90.00
NEAL CHASE LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	\$598.04
ORANGE CITY MUNICIPAL UTILITIES	BULK WATER	\$14,915.66

ORANGE CITY SANITATION	GARBAGE HAULING	\$10,122.16
P & K PEST CONTROL	PEST CONTROL MUSEUM	\$79.00
PAYROLL	PAYROLL 08/30/2024	38,873.17
PCC	RESCUE BILLING	\$1,368.86
PARODI, BENJAMIN	UTILITY DEPOSIT REFUND	\$34.28
PEFA, INC	GAS COMMODITY	\$1,961.09
PREMIER COMMUNICATIONS	IT SERVICES	\$925.00
PRINCIPAL LIFE	GROUP INSURANCE	\$156.37
RANDY'S IRON WORKS INC	TAILGATE REPAIR	\$694.20
REHAB SYSTEMS INC.	MANHOLE REHAB	\$7,340.00
SCHUETZ AUTO BODY, LLC	2020 CHEVY REPAIR - DEDUCTIBLE	\$1,000.00
SIOUX COMMERCIAL SWEEPING INC	CONCRETE RAISING & FILLING	\$1,500.00
SIOUX COUNTY ENGINEER	COST SHARE ALTON DR SOUTH	\$29,625.98
SIOUX COUNTY TREASURER	PROPERTY TAX	\$4,060.00
SIOUXLAND HOME IMPROVEMENT	GUTTERS - BATH SHELTER	\$1,232.00
SIOUXLAND PRESS	PUBLICATIONS	\$175.00
TREASURER - STATE OF IOWA	WATER EXCISE TAX	\$1,931.08
TREASURER - STATE OF IOWA	SALES TAX	\$2,475.90
U. S. POSTMASTER	POSTAGE	\$500.00
UNUM LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY	GROUP INSURANCE	\$355.99
UTILITY EQUIPMENT CO.	METER CONNECTIONS	\$125.63
VERIZON	CELL PHONES	\$739.54
VERMEER SALES & SERVICE	GASKETS	\$47.01
VISA	SUPPLIES, TRAINING, TECHNOLOGY	\$1,121.60
WELLMARK BLUE CROSS/BLUE SHIELD	GROUP INSURANCE	\$8,060.64
WEST IOWA TELEPHONE	TELEPHONE, FAX, INTERNET	\$733.88
WILLIAMS & CO	AUDIT	\$9,500.00
	TOTAL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	<u>\$264,489.55</u>

SALE OF CITY OWNED PROPERTY: Oltmans presented the Council with an offer for two properties in Hiemstra Addition.

RESOLUTION 24-28: “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, Frederes, Plathe, Jorgensen, Kleinhesselink

Nays: None

Whereupon the Mayor Vande Griend declared the Resolution duly adopted.

MOVING REQUEST: Vande Griend updated the Council on his intentions to move his house to a lot in Cambier Addition. The movers requested to install a temporary road through the ditch of Alton Drive South. Vande Griend will be responsible for all costs associated with installing in and removing the temporary road.

Motion by Jorgensen and second by Frederes to approve Vande Griend’s request to install and remove a temporary road to be used for moving a house into Cambier Addition at his expense. Ayes 5

2024 FLOODING: Oltmans updated the Council on the progress with FEMA and flood related projects.

EAB STUDY: Oltmans informed the Council the Emerald Ash Borer Study will not be completed until later this fall. Staff identified 57 of the worst trees in the City’s Right of Way and obtained bids on removal. Discussion was held on the bids.

Motion by Kleinhesselink and seconded by Plathe to approve Schwebach Tree Service’s bid for removal of 57 trees. Ayes 5

Oltmans also spoke to the Council regarding the ordinance about planting trees in the City’s Right of Way. It was the consensus of the Council to adjust ordinance to allow for trees to be planted in the City’s Right of Way with certain restrictions. Council directed staff to prepare ordinance.

OTHER BUSINESS: It was the consensus of the Council to move the October meeting to October 15.

Oltmans informed the council of property owners in Aalbers Second Addition request to use septic tanks instead of connecting to the City’s sewer main. Discussion was held. Ordinances require sewer connection to a sewer main if the property line is within 100 feet of the sewer main. Properties being built in Aalber’s Addition are more than 100 feet of the sewer main from a sewer main. No action was taken as the current ordinances already addressed the issue.

Motion by Jorgensen and second by Mulder to adjourn the meeting at 7:36PM. Ayes 5

Mayor
Dan Vande Griend

City Clerk/Administrator
Dale Oltmans

August Revenue

General Fund	\$18,671.72	Capital Parks & Trails Fund	\$204.94
RUT Fund	\$13,106.70	Water Fund	\$36,957.06
Local Option Sales Tax Fund	\$24,360.04	Sewer Fund	\$35,656.48
TIF – FVM2 Phase 1 Fund	\$117.72	Electric Fund	\$120,698.46
Debt Service Fund	\$190.54	Gas Fund	\$34,576.51
Capital Equipment Fund	\$241.93	Storm Water Fund	\$3,490.60
		Total Receipts	\$288,272.70