

ALTON CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Minutes of Regular Session
Tuesday, April 14, 2026

Mayor Vande Griend called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. with Council members Frederes, Jorgensen, Mulder, and Plathe present. Kleinhesselink was absent. Also present was Dale Oltmans.

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

Motion by Jorgensen and second by Plathe to approve the minutes of the April 1, 2026, meetings. Ayes 4

Motion by Mulder and second by Frederes to accept the financial reports as presented. Ayes 4

Motion by Mulder and second by Plathe to approve the bills as presented. Ayes 4

APRIL 2026 ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>PRODUCT/SERVICE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
AFLAC	AFLAC-PRE-TAX	\$502.79
AGSTATE	FUEL	\$287.98
AGRIVISION EQUIPMENT	BULB	\$9.09
AMERICAN STATE BANK	FED/FICA TAX	\$11,585.88
ANALYTICAL & CONSULTING	COMPLIANCE TESTING	\$137.00
ARNOLD MOTOR SUPPLY	SUPPLIES	\$14.58
AUTOMATIC BUILDING CONTROLS	ALARM SYSTEM TEST	\$804.50
BOMGAARS	SOCKET SET, SUPPLIES	\$202.04
BORDER STATES INDUSTRIES, INC.	WRENCH, PIPE PLUGS	\$344.80
BORDER STATES INDUSTRIES, INC.	HARDHAT	\$129.00
CASELLE, LLC	ARCHIVED UTILITY BILLING	\$2,000.00
CENTURY BUSINESS PRODUCTS	COPIER & PRINTER FEES	\$189.24
CLAYTON ENERGY CORPORATION	GAS RESERVATION	\$24,225.70
CONNECTIONS INC	EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM	\$86.52
DEWILD GRANT RECKERT & ASSOC	ENGINEERING FEES	\$120.00
DIAMOND VOGEL PAINT	SPRAY PAINT	\$175.80
ECHO ELECTRIC	PLIERS, SUPPLIES	\$696.33
ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING CO.	RADIO BATTERIES	\$785.31
FIRE SERVICE TRAINING BUREAU	HAZMAT CERT FEES	\$50.00
FORCE FITTERS	FR CLOTHING	\$461.76
FORCE FITTERS	FR CLOTHING	\$319.65
HAWKINS WATER TREATMENT GROUP	CHEMICALS	\$10.00
IOWA DOT	ROCK SALT	\$493.13
IOWA INFORMATION	ELECTRIC/GAS POSITION AD	\$528.33
IOWA ONE CALL	LOCATES	\$25.20
IOWA STATE TREASURER	STATE TAX	\$1,163.82
IPERS COLLECTIONS	IPERS	\$8,036.77
KOLBECK INC	WOOD CHIP TRUCKING	\$7,725.50
KOONS GAS MEASUREMENT	ERTS, METER CONNECTIONS	\$1,428.21
KOPETSKYS ACE	SUPPLIES	\$22.98
MARV'S OUTDOOR POWER & EQUIP.	CHAINS, FILTERS, OIL	\$242.70
MID SIOUX OPPORTUNITY	PROJECT SHARE	\$35.00
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MID-AMERICAN RESEARCH CHEMICAL	AQUATIC WEED PICKER	\$2,098.32
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY	ELECTRIC - BLOWOFF VALVE	\$22.04
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY	STREET LIGHTS	\$434.11
MUNICIPAL UTIL-BILLS	UTILITY BILLS	\$3,275.61
NCC	EMS TRAINING	\$49.00
NCC	CDL TRAINING	\$1,345.00
NEAL CHASE LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	\$287.82
NO STREAKING INC	WINDOW CLEANING	\$101.00
NOTEBOOM ELECTRIC	FIRE ALARM REPAIR	\$6.36
ORANGE CITY MUNICIPAL UTILITIES	BULK WATER	\$10,288.96
ORANGE CITY MUNICIPAL UTILITIES	WATER TRUE-UP	\$53,796.60
KERI OOSTRA	CPR TRAINING	\$650.00
OOSTRA BIERMA LAW	LEGAL FEES	\$58.00
ORANGE CITY HEALTH SYSTEM	SUPPLIES	\$273.52
ORANGE CITY HEALTH SYSTEM	HEARING TESTS	\$96.00
ORANGE CITY SANITATION	GARBAGE HAULING	\$9,804.00
PAYROLL	PAYROLL 03/31/2026	39,105.81
PCC	RESCUE BILLING	\$442.21
PEFA, INC	GAS COMMODITY	\$12,216.50
PERFECT PIPES	LIBRARY SEWER JETTING	\$272.85
PERSPECTIVE INSURANCE	BUSINESS PROTECTION PLAN	\$166,703.00
PERSPECTIVE INSURANCE	LIBRARY BUSINESS PROTECTION PLAN	\$2,126.00
PHELPS UNIFORM SPECIALISTS	LAUNDRY SERVICE	\$73.35
PREMIER COMMUNICATIONS	IT SERVICES	\$3,150.00
PRINCIPAL LIFE	GROUP INSURANCE	\$217.06
SIOUXLAND PRESS	ENVELOPES, PUBLICATIONS	\$657.50
SKARSHAUG TESTING LAB.	SAFETY GLOVES, HOT STICK REPAIR	\$561.99
SPIREWORKS CREATIVE	WEBSITE UPDATES	\$32.00
STRYKER SALES CORP	SENSORS, CARRY BAG, BATTERY	\$3,435.13
TREASURER - STATE OF IOWA	WATER EXCISE TAX	\$1,381.37
TREASURER - STATE OF IOWA	SALES TAX	\$5,586.84
TRI-STATE OVERHEAD SALES INC	GARAGE DOOR	\$5,840.00
U. S. POSTMASTER	POSTAGE	\$500.00
UNITYPOINT CLINIC-OCC MED	DRUG TESTS	\$42.00
VEENSTRA & KIMM INC	CONSULTING - FLOOD	\$447.00
VERIZON	CELL PHONES	\$470.82
VISA	FLAGS, TRAINING, SUPPLIES	\$958.87
WELLMARK BLUE CROSS/BLUE SHIELD	GROUP INSURANCE	\$10,423.04
WESCO DISTRIBUTION, INC.	STREETLIGHTS, CONNECTORS	\$20,163.00
WEST IOWA TELEPHONE	TELEPHONE, FAX, INTERNET	\$768.06
	TOTAL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	\$421,135.35

FY27 BUDGET:

RESOLUTION 26-08: “A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALTON, IOWA SETTING TIME AND PLACE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE PROPOSE OF RECEIVING WRITTEN AND ORAL COMMENTS ON THE CITY’S PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 BUDGET” was introduced and moved for adoption by Council Member Plathe. Frederes seconded the motion to adopt.

On roll call vote:

Ayes: Plathe, Frederes, Jorgensen, Mulder
Nays: None
Absent: Kleinhesselink

Whereupon the Mayor declared the Resolution duly adopted.

FY26 BUDGET:

RESOLUTION 26-09: “A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALTON, IOWA SETTING TIME AND PLACE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING WRITTEN AND ORAL COMMENTS ON THE CITY’S PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 BUDGET AMENDMENT” was introduced and moved for adoption by Council Member Jorgensen. Plathe seconded the motion to adopt.

On roll call vote:

Ayes: Jorgensen, Plathe, Frederes, Mulder
Nays: None
Absent: Kleinhesselink

Whereupon the Mayor declared the Resolution duly adopted.

ZONING VIOLATION: Council discussed legal correspondence regarding a building permit violation and fine. City Attorney Van Engen has been in contact with Jared Weber, the defendant’s attorney, regarding the fine.

Motion by Mulder and second by Jorgensen to approve the terms of the fine as discussed by the attorneys.
Ayes 4

PERSONNEL:

RESOLUTION 26-10: “A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALTON, IOWA, SETTING SALARIES AND WAGES FOR LIBRARY EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF ALTON FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026”” was introduced and moved for adoption by Council Member Mulder. Frederes seconded the motion to adopt.

On roll call vote:

Ayes: Mulder, Frederes, Plathe, Jorgensen
Nays: None
Absent: Kleinhesselink

Whereupon the Mayor declared the Resolution duly adopted.

TECHNOLOGY: Oltmans informed the Council that the server needs to be updated. Jorgensen confirmed that the quote received from Premier was reasonable pricing.

Motion by Mulder and second by Jorgensen to approve the purchase of Dell PowerEdge T360 from Premier Communications as quoted. Ayes 4

LIBRARY RETAINING WALL PROJECT: Oltmans reviewed an e-mail from Cleveringa Excavating to DGR Engineering regarding the Library Retaining Wall. Council discussed the inconsistent coloring in the wall. Oltmans indicated DGR and Cleveringa will continue to work on a resolution and will keep the Council informed if further action is needed.

HIEMSTRA ADDITION: A property owner contacted Oltmans to inquire if the City would be interested in purchasing their home like previous acquisitions of other nearby properties. Council discussed it, and at this time are not interested in purchasing.

AIM: Brooke Stoll, representing AIM. contacted Oltmans regarding a proposed fundraising letter for park improvements. The Council praised the group for setting goals to make improvements. The Council requested revisions to the fundraising letter before it is approved for distribution. Oltmans will communicate the requested changes to AIM and present updates to the council for approval.

LIQUOR LICENSE: Staff received notification of an application started but currently the application has not been completed.

2024 FLOODING: Oltmans informed the Council he received notification from FEMA that the lagoon project is closed out. The lift station generator projects, gas and electric projects, and 3rd Ave projects are still outstanding and awaiting FEMA action.

OTHER BUSINESS: There will be a special meeting Tuesday, April 21 to consider for approval the FY27 Annual Budget.

Mayor Vande Griend spoke to the Council regarding increased stormwater runoff impacting Alton, attributed to recent developments in Orange City. Discussion was held on updating Alton's stormwater ordinances and then addressing the City of Orange City to review their current standards and how they affect stormwater runoff. It was the consensus of the Council to have Mayor Vande Griend and Oltmans proceed with the City Attorney.

Oltmans met with a business owner about a potential economic development grant for his new business.

Motion by Jorgensen and second by Plathe to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 PM. Ayes 4

Mayor
Dan Vande Griend

City Clerk/Administrator
Dale Oltmans

March Revenue

General Fund	\$47,212.30	Capital LMI Fund	\$64.24
RUT Fund	\$11,951.27	Capital Disaster Fund	\$477,166.67
Employee Benefits Fund	\$1,259.18	Capital Ind Dev Fund	\$47.87
Local Option Fund	\$21,175.16	Capital Housing Dev Fund	\$147.25
TIF – Global Fund	\$58.63	Capital Streets Fund	\$269.96
TIF – FVM2 Phase 1 Fund	\$4,155.29	Capital Parks & Trails Fund	\$400.47
TIF – FVM2 Phase 2 Fund	\$3,001.29	Water Fund	\$30,520.31
Debt Service Fund	\$8,285.83	Sewer Fund	\$32,144.84
Capital Econ Dev Fund	\$208.40	Electric Fund	\$138,645.00
Capital Equipment Fund	\$592.31	Gas Fund	\$178,130.68
Capital Building Fund	\$158.55	Storm Water Fund	\$2,857.46
		Total Receipts	\$958,452.96