

Regular Meeting Minutes  
November 10th, 2025

Mayor Lisa Hodgson opened Council at 6:00 PM.

Council members present: Nick Wieseler, Kerry Hedden, Kirsten Tschida, Brian Johnson, Marvie Swanson, Kendra Hatle arrived at 6:08pm

Others Present: Finance Officer David Hodgson, Kristi Burke, Tom VanRooyen, Ben Julson & Austin Claeys- AE2S, Drew Daum - ISG, Paul Kraft – Bann Associates, and Sheriff Prouty

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

K Tschida moved and N Wieseler seconded to approve agenda with moving 9a to 9b and adding an executive session as 9a. Motion carried. Unanimous.

For public input Tom VanRooyen asked council about process to update city on the progress his team made of cleaning up the park and about any funds available to assist in the costs of the work that his group did. No other public input provided at this time.

No legal updates from the Sheriff's department at this time.

For the Deputy Finance Officer K Tschida moved and M Swanson seconded to accept resignation of Kris Hedden effective Thursday October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025. Motion carried. Unanimous. K Tschida moved and N Wieseler seconded to approve posting full time Deputy Finance Officer position. Motion carried. Unanimous.

Mayor Hodgson then introduced Paul Kraft who then reviewed the Banner Monthly Engineering report. K Hedden moved and B Johnson seconded to approve paying Banner invoice #46735 in the amount of \$9,384.10 for work completed on the Sanitary Sewer Collection System Improvements through October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025. Motion carried. Unanimous. K Hatle moved and N Wieseler seconded to approve consideration of notice to bidders for Alcester Sanitary Sewer Collection System Improvements – REBID. Motion carried. Unanimous. B Johnson moved and K Hedden seconded to approve paying Banner invoice #46529 in the amount of \$6,000.00 for work completed on the Alcester Water Tower Recoat project through October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025. Motion carried. Unanimous. M Swanson moved and B Johnson seconded to approve consideration of notice to bidders for Alcester Water Tower Improvements. Motion carried. Unanimous. K Hatle moved and K Tschida seconded to approve paying Banner invoice #46621 in the amount of \$10,040.00 for work on the 4<sup>th</sup> Street Watermain improvements project through October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025. Motion carried. Unanimous.

For City Engineer Proposals K Hatle moved and K Tschida seconded to enter into Executive Session pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(4) Contractual Negotiations. Motion carried. Unanimous. Mayor Hodgson declared council in Executive Session at 6:21pm. Council was declared out of Executive Session at 6:35pm. Mayor Hodgson informed all present that council has chosen to not move forward with City Engineer contract at this time and will seek engineering proposals for future projects as they arise.

For MC&R final pay application Finance Officer Hodgson reviewed final pay application with council. B Johnson moved and M Swanson seconded to approve paying MC&R final pay application for municipal pool repairs in the amount of \$68,096.76. Motion carried. Unanimous.

For Clubhouse Grille K Hatle moved and K Tschida seconded to approved hiring Lane Farley as part time dishwasher at \$12.01 per hour effective immediately. Motion carried. Unanimous. K Tschida moved and N Wieseler seconded to hire Ella Erickson as part time server at \$7.87 per hour and part time cook at \$14.19 per hour effective immediately. Motion carried. Five voted to approve: K Tschida, N Wieseler, B Johnson, K Hatle, M Swanson. One voted against: K Hedden. N Wieseler moved and B Johnson seconded to approve hiring Katie Utesch as part time cook at \$14.19 per hour effective immediately. Motion carried. Unanimous. K Tschida moved and M Swanson seconded to approve hiring Keagan Klemme as part time cook at \$14.19 per hour effective immediately. Motion carried. Unanimous. Mayor Hodgson then brought forward concern with dumpsters at clubhouse not being sufficient to handle amount of garbage. After discussion council member N Wieseler will discuss with staff on alternatives for the winter months and readdress in the spring if needed.

For Finance Office B Johnson moved and N Wieseler seconded to approve October Warrants. Motion carried. Unanimous. October Warrants: ABC Rentals \$105.14, Alcester Quickstop \$453.47, Alliance Communications \$636.00, Appear \$522.74, Badger Meter, Inc \$457.32, BANNER ASSOCIATES \$6,398.20, Bluestone Landscape Co. \$650.00, C & R Gravel \$304.20, Chesterman Co. \$679.25, City of Alcester \$1,889.68, Colonial Life \$578.24, D & D Small Engine Repair \$265.65, Dakota Beverage \$384.35, DeBoer Tree Farm \$195.00, EcoLab \$298.56, ELO \$23,750.00, Frieberg, Nelson & Ask LLP \$1,531.25, G&R Controls \$666.07, Ingram Library Services \$657.54, Iowa Information Inc \$264.00, IRS \$9,243.46, JOHN CONKLING DISTRIBUTING \$685.90, Johnsen Heating & Cooling LLC \$1,525.84, Johnson Brothers \$450.40, Knife River \$2,002.13, Koppman Heating & Cooling \$244.78, L.P. Gill Landfill \$2,721.19, Lacey Rentals \$170.00, LOREN FISCHER DISPOSAL \$1,739.45, Mid-American Energy \$3,847.57, Midwest Turf & Irrigation \$242.13, Muller Auto Parts \$113.98 New Century Press \$209.10, NSF \$147.65, One Office Solution \$138.93, PERFORMANCE FOODS \$2,842.62, PowerPlan \$822.84, Premier Bank \$20.00, Pye Barker Fire & Safety \$446.04, Renken Auctions \$350.00, Roxanne Polley \$75.00, Royal Ball \$100.00, SD One Call \$52.50, SD Retirement \$2,734.46, SD Unemployment \$1,667.97, South Lincoln Rural Water \$9,509.10, Southeastern Electric \$2,719.03, Square Inc \$148.68, SYSCO

\$15,928.97, Talbott Collision Repair \$607.00, Total Stop Food Store \$470.60, Truesdell Oil Company \$1,221.49, Union County Sheriff's Department \$26,664.09, VISA \$1,400.02, Waterman Backhoe \$4,454.09, Wellmark \$3,357.14, Western Equipment Finance \$993.72, Payroll: Cemetery \$109.25, Clubhouse & Event Center \$13,776.08, Finance Office \$3,758.34, Golf Course \$3,715.17, Library \$1,226.34, Park \$394.71, Sewer \$1,940.47, Solid Waste \$883.20, Streets \$4,188.62, Water \$2,073.16.

Finance Officer Hodgson then reintroduced the 2026 Appropriations Ordinance. He explained that per council he researched changing the city health coverage to the SD Health Pool and discovered premiums would increase dramatically from current coverage. No other questions or discussions at this time. K Hatle moved and B Johnson seconded to approve the second reading of the 2026 Appropriations Ordinance. Motion Carried. Unanimous.

For Alcester Chamber of Commerce K Tschida moved and M Swanson seconded to approve closing main street (2<sup>nd</sup>) from Broad St to Iowa and Iowa 1 block North of 2<sup>nd</sup> Street to 3<sup>rd</sup> Street on Friday December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025 from 4:45pm until 8:00pm for the Annual Christmas Tree Lighting. Motion Carried. Unanimous.

K Hatle moved and B Johnson seconded to approve a donation request from Santa & Mrs. C.'s Kids to donate \$500.00. Motion carried. Unanimous.

Mayor Hodgson read reminders: Chamber Fall Craft Fair Saturday Nov 22<sup>nd</sup>, City Rubble Site closes for Winter Nov 30<sup>th</sup>, City Office will be closed Nov 11<sup>th</sup> for Veterans Day and Thurs. Nov 27<sup>th</sup> & Fri Nov 28<sup>th</sup> for Thanksgiving, Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Fri Dec 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025

K Hatle moved and N Wieseler seconded to enter into Executive Session pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(1) Personnel. Motion carried. Unanimous. Mayor Hodgson declared council in Executive Session at 7:01pm. Council was declared out of Executive Session at 7:36pm

M Swanson moved and B Johnson seconded to adjourn council. Council was declared adjourned at 7:36pm

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Lisa Hodgson, Mayor

ATTEST:

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David Hodgson, Finance Officer