

REGULAR MEETING OF THE ALCESTER CITY COUNCIL

The Alcester City Council held their regular City Council Meeting on Monday, May 3, 2021. Mayor Dan Haeder called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm with the following Council members present: Dave Larsen, Linda Talbott, Darla Reppe, Melissa Kay and Marcus Ireland via telephone. Also present during the meeting were Sam Nelson, Patricia Jurrens, Wanda Halverson, Chief Christie, Dale Jurrens, Gordon Richard, Vickie Larsen, Cyndi Peeples, Cozy Hemen, Brian Johnson and Dave Hodgson. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Marcus Ireland made a motion amend the agenda by moving Public Input before Ward III Vacancy; Melissa Kay seconded. Roll Call vote; five voted aye. Dave Larsen made a motion to amend the agenda by moving Elect Council President / Vice President after Ward III Vacancy – Interview Candidate; Darla Reppe seconded it. Roll Call vote; five voted aye. Melissa Kay made a motion to approve agenda as amended; Darla Reppe seconded it. Roll Call vote; five voted aye.

Dave Larsen made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 5 and April 19, 2021 meetings; Linda Talbott seconded it. Roll Call vote; five voted aye.

For the Finance Office – Dave Larsen made a motion to approve the following warrants: Melissa Kay seconded it. Roll Call vote; five voted aye. Salaries: Finance Office-\$4,106.15, Police-\$7,287.20, Street-\$4,727.51, Water-\$2,881.80, Sewer-\$3,376.00, Library-\$1,133.58, Snow-\$0, Audi-\$402.78, Solid Waste-\$281.81, Cemetery-\$0, Park-\$0, Golf-\$3,997.78, Mayor-\$0, Council-\$0, 5 Star Communication-Advertising, \$50.00, AH School-Computer, \$479.00, Alcester Fire Dept-allowance, \$1,400.00.00, Alcester Quickstop-Fuel, \$38.39, Alliance Communications-Utility, \$383.00, American Engineering-Lab Fees, \$1889.40, AMG-Avera-Lab Fees, \$52.50, Arlene's Sunnyside Café-Supplies, \$10.65, Axel Ericson-Equipment, \$1,200.00, B&B Golf Carts-Equipment Purchase, \$1,900.00, Merchant Bankcard-CC Fees, \$40.37, BSN Sports-Equipment Purchase, \$858.00, Butler Machinery-Vehicle Maintenance, \$621.80, C&R Gravel-Gravel, \$465.82, Cenex Credit Card-Fuel, \$484.48, Central Parts-Repair, \$36.15, Chestermans-Supplies, \$333.66, City of Alcester-Reimbursed Health Insurance Premiums, \$239.17, Dakota Beverage-Beer, \$67.85, David Larsen-Employee Reimbursement, \$1,111.52, Demco-Supplies, \$45.29, Epic Eyewear-Supplies, \$227.24, Good Shred-Supplies, \$49.00, Hawkins-Chemicals, \$2,371.09, Ingram Library Services-Books, \$547.16, IRS-payroll taxes, \$6,406.70, John Conklin-Beer, \$400.00, Johnson Brothers-Liquor, \$21.00, LG everist-Supplies, \$644.05, LP Gill-Landfill Rental, \$2,191.50, Loffler-Supplies, \$292.02, Loren Fischer Disposal-Garbage, \$40.00, Lukas Driesen-Contract Labor, \$397.68, McLoed Printing-Supplies, \$158.82, Mid-American Energy-Utilities, \$2,385.20, Olson's Ace Hardware-Supplies & Repair, \$199.85, Parker Dooley-Employee Reimbursement, \$43.68, Patricia Jurrens-Employee Reimbursement, \$329.13, Pepsi Beverage-Supplies, \$310.65, Pete's Produce-Supplies, \$162.96, PowerPlan-Repairs, \$12,629.37, Premier Bank-Equipment Bond, \$12,791.58, Premier Insurance-City Insurance, \$22,837.00, Rent-all-Maintenance, \$390.00, Sam's Club-Supplies, \$812.51, Sanford Health-Insurance, \$2,801.71, Sanitation Products-Maintenance, \$61.24, SD Sheriff's Association-Conference, \$115.00, SD Unemployment-Insurance, \$386.64, Sioux Links Golf Magazine-Advertising, \$500.00, 42, SD Rural Water Association-Dues, \$500.00, SD Retirement-Retirement, \$3,363.58, South Lincoln Rural Water-Water Purchase, \$7,238.40, Southeastern Electric-utilities & repairs, \$497.91, Star Publishing-Publications, \$227.79, Sunlife Financial-Insurance, \$80.26, Total Stop Food Store-Supplies, \$111.98, Truesdell Oil Company-Fuel, \$1,146.49, Verizon-Utility, \$80.02, Visa-Supplies, Postage, Fuel, \$1,421.67, Water Refund-Security Refunds, \$350.00, Visions Construction-Construction Costs, \$0, Waterman Backhoe-Repair, \$2,112.25, Your Daily Dose-Supplies, \$26.61 and Zimco-Supplies, \$19.00.

Melissa Kay made a motion to adjourn the old Council, Darla Reppe seconded it. Roll Call vote; five voted aye. Mayor Haeder Thanked Melissa Kay for her service to the City of Alcester. Meeting adjourned at 6:12 pm.

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Mayor Dan Haeder opened the meeting of the New Council at 6:14 pm.

Sam Nelson administered the Oath of Office to Cyndi Peeples as Ward I Alderman. Sam Nelson administered the Oath of Office to Dan Haeder as Mayor. Both were seated.

Mayor Haeder appointed Dave Larsen as Alderman for Ward II until the next election. Darla Reppe made a motion to approve the appointment of Dave Larsen, Ward II Alderman until the next election; Linda Talbott seconded it. Roll Call Vote; four voted aye. Sam Nelson administered the Oath of Office to Dave Larsen as Ward II Alderman. Dave Larsen was seated. Marcus Ireland remained seated until Ward II vacancy filled.

For Public Input – Vickie Larsen addressed the Council with concerns regarding Background checks completed on new employees and aldermen, health savings account, and wheel loader repair put out for bid. Dave Hodgson addressed the Council with stating interest in purchasing two lots on Beck Drive for a future house build. Melissa Kay addressed the Council with a suggestion of holding a Special Election to fill Ward III Vacancy. Darla Reppe addressed the Council with comments of renting the Community Center and availability dates. Marcus Ireland addressed the Council saying it was noticed the Christmas Wreaths are down in the City Park and it shows pride in the Community to take them down when not in season. Dan Haeder addressed the Council about removing the manure spreader from Hillbilly's parking lot. This concluded Public Input.

At 6:44 pm, Dave Larsen made a motion to enter into Executive Session pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2-1 – Alderman Interviews; Linda Talbott seconded it. Roll Call vote; five voted aye. Mayor Haeder called the Council out of Executive Session at 7:53 pm. No motion nor appointment to fill Ward III Vacancy. Linda Talbott made a motion to approve the appointment of Brian Johnson, Ward II Alderman, until the next election; Darla Reppe seconded it. Roll Call vote; four voted aye and Marcus Ireland abstained. Sam Nelson administered the Oath of Office. Brian Johnson was seated. Mayor Haeder Thanked Marcus Ireland for his service to the City of Alcester.

Darla Reppe made a motion to elect Dave Larsen as Council President; Linda Talbott seconded it. Four voted aye; Dave Larsen abstained. Darla Reppe made a motion to elect Linda Talbott as Council Vice President; Dave Larsen seconded it. Four voted aye; Linda Talbott abstained.

Department updates included the following: Street – None, Water/Wastewater – Sam Nelson provided an update of Banner Engineering Contract Negotiations, Swimming Pool – Pool is cleaned and scheduled to be filled around May 15 with opening date June 1, 2021. Chief Christie presented the Police Stats and updates on attended Conference. Darla Reppe made a motion to approve the surplus of a desk as it no longer fulfills the purpose intended for the police department; Dave Larsen seconded it. Five voted aye. For Cemetery – stone / dirt maintenance needs to be completed before internment service. Dave Larsen presented the Golf Course had a very busy April and presented advertising campaign information for Alcester Golf Club will participate in over the summer. For Library Updates – there are new books arriving regularly. This concluded Department Updates.

For Legal Updates – Sam Nelson provided nuisance property update for Iowa Street Property. Mr Nelson provided a sample Ordinance for Council review regarding Medical Marijuana. No Executive Session was needed. This concluded Legal Updates and Sam Nelson exited the meeting.

For Christmas Lights in the City Park – Southeastern Electric removed the lights and brought to City for Storage.

Mayor Haeder informed the Council of a conversation with Milt Ustad, Union County Commissioner Chairperson, regarding a water leak on the Fair Grounds. This will be addressed at a future meeting.

Dave Larsen made a motion to hire Pool Managers, WSI Lifeguards and Lifeguards with rates as presented; Cyndi Peebles seconded it. Five voted aye.

No Executive Session for personnel was needed.

For Finance Office updates – the Audit work was completed. Linda Talbott made a motion to approve the 2021-2022 Malt Beverage Licenses for Alcester Quickstop, Total Stop and Alcester Golf Course and to approve Mayor Haeder to sign; Darla Reppe seconded it. Five voted aye. Dave Larsen made a motion to approve FO attending Midwest Assistance Program Class, Watertown, June 22, 2021; Darla Reppe seconded it. Five voted aye.

Reminders & Updates – AHHS Graduation, May 8, 2021; Mother's Day, May 9, 2021; AHHS Last day of School, May 12, 2021; Garbage Collection Rote Returns to Normal Collection, May 17, 2021; Dave Larsen stated that a news-story should be in the paper stating that if residents would like to keep cans

together year-round – it will be voluntary and save on City Streets. Library Book Study, May 17, 2021; Memorial Day, May 31, 2021 – City Hall Closed; Pool Opens June 1, 2021. This concludes Finance Office Updates.

Regarding Resolution No 2021-03, Face Coverings Requirement – Dave Larsen made a motion to amend *Resolution No 2021-03, A Resolution of the City of Alcester, SD, Addressing and Responding to COVID-19, Section II, A. Within the City of Alcester, all persons must wear a face-covering in City Facilities* to now state *Resolution No 2021-03, A Resolution of the City of Alcester, SD, Addressing and Responding to COVID-19, Section II, A. Within the City of Alcester, all persons are requested to wear a face-covering in City Facilities*; Linda Talbott seconded it. Five vote aye.

For HRC updates – the committee will meet soon.

For Fair board updates – the Fair Board will meet Tuesday, May 4, 2021 to finalize Fair Entertainment.

Darla Reppe made a motion to approve the purchase of Kitchen Equipment for the Alcester Community Center by spending up to \$75,000; Brian Johnson seconded it. Five voted aye.

Brian Johnson made a motion to update the Volunteer Roster for Worker’s Compensation by adding Josh Nyreen, Nick Braaten and Miles Weck to the Alcester Fire Department; Cosette Hemen to Alcester Library Board; Warren Grant Doty to Pleasant Hill Cemetery; to remove Lukas Driesen and Ben Solem from the Alcester Fire Department; Tom Glas from Alcester HRC and Pam Hughes from Alcester Library Board; Cyndi Peeples seconded it. Five voted aye.

Gordon Richard took a photo of the new Council Members.

Cyndi Peeples made a motion to adjourn; Brian Johnson seconded it. Five voted aye. Meeting adjourned at 9:07 pm.

The following are the 2021 Salaries (per hour): Haak, Maddy-\$10.50; Johnson, Kelly-\$10.50; Kast, Michael-\$9.75; Kleinhans, Mateo-\$9.75; Lewison, Carly-\$11.00; Meyer-Peyton-\$10.50; Peterson, Bayleigh-\$11.00; Thompson, Kayleigh-\$9.75.

CITY OF ALCESTER
Daniel Haeder, Mayor

ATTEST:
Patricia Jurrens, Finance Officer