

## REGULAR MEETING OF THE ALCESTER CITY COUNCIL

The Alcester City Council held their regular City Council Meeting on Monday, October 4, 2021. Mayor Dan Haeder called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm with the following Council members present: Darla Reppe, Linda Talbott, Cyndi Peeples, and David Larsen. Also present during the meeting were Patricia Jurens, Wanda Halverson, Chief Schuller, Sam Nelson, Gordon Richard, Vickie Larsen, Cozy Hemen, Josh Carlson and Lukas Driesen. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Dave Larsen made motion to approve agenda with the modification of moving Public Input after minutes approval and move Legal Updates after Redistricting of District 16; Linda Talbott seconded it. Four voted aye.

Darla Reppe made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 7 and September 20 meetings; Cyndi Peeples seconded it. Four voted aye.

For Public Input – Vickie Larsen addressed the Council with concerns regarding the property on 301 E 4<sup>th</sup> Street, 307 Iowa Street, a Pig Ordinance, and Council tablets. Cozy Hemen addressed the Council with a Pleasant Hill Cemetery compliment. Dave Larsen asked Aldermen to spread the word the Community Center is seeking workers. Police Chief Schuller addressed the Council with Police Updates, Stats and update on Officer Lass. This concluded Public Input.

At 6:10 pm, the Council, acting as the Zoning Board of Adjustment, held a Variance Public Hearing for 310 Union Street. Joe & Sonya Constance requested a variance for Lot 1, Block 5 Ofstad & Svarry's Addition, Alcester City for a Secondary Front Yard 15' Variance, from the 25' standard, and a Rear Yard Variance of 10' from the 25' standard for the purpose of constructing a stand-alone garage. Mayor Haeder asked for comments in favor and against granting such a variance. Darla Reppe made a motion to approve the Variance; Linda Talbott seconded it. Four voted aye. This concluded the 310 Union Street Variance Hearing.

At 6:20 pm, the Council, acting as the Zoning Board of Adjustment, held a Variance Public Hearing for 406 Broad Street. Joshua & Audri Carlson requested a variance for the S25' of Replat Lot 3 & All Replat Lot 4 Block 4 Original Alcester City for a Side Yard Variance of 6' from the 7' standard for the purpose of adding an addition onto the existing garage. Josh Carlson approached the Council with details of why the variance was requested, a drawing of proposed construction and approval from abutting property owner. Mayor Haeder asked for comments in favor and against granting such a variance. Dave Larsen made a motion to approve the Variance; Cyndi Peeples seconded it. Four voted aye. This concluded the 406 Broad Street Variance Hearing.

For the Redistricting of District 16 – Pat Jurens presented information obtained from Kevin Joffer, Union County Commissioner, regarding proposed discussions of changing the members and division lines of District 16 and District 17. More information needs to be obtained before making a decision.

For Legal Updates – Sam Nelson presented an update on the nuisance property at 307 Iowa Street. At 6:33 pm, Linda Talbott made a motion to enter into Executive Session pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(3) Legal Counsel; Darla Reppe seconded it. Four voted aye. At 7:22 pm Mayor Haeder called the Council out of Executive Session. This concluded Legal Updates. Sam Nelson exited the meeting.

At 7:26 pm, Dave Larsen made a motion to enter into Executive Session pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(1) – Personnel to interview potential Aldermen; Cyndi Peeples seconded it. Four voted aye. At 7:55 pm, Mayor Haeder called the Council out of Executive Session. Linda Talbott made a motion to approve the appointment of Lukas Driesen, Ward III Alderman, until the next election; Darla Reppe seconded it. Roll Call voted – Four voted aye. Council President, David Larsen, administered the Oath of Office to Lukas Driesen and Mr Driesen took his position with the remaining Aldermen.

Regarding the Alcester Community Center, Dave Larsen made a motion to approve the final payment of the kitchen equipment, payable to SFS Equipment, \$11,498.84, Community Center Fund; Linda Talbott seconded it. Roll Call vote – Five voted aye. Dave Larsen made a motion to hire Clint Nyreen as the Kitchen Manager, rate of \$18.50 per hour plus retirement and single life insurance benefits effective October 11, 2021; Darla Reppe seconded it. Roll Call vote – Five voted aye. Darla Reppe made a motion to hire Hannah Ahart, rate \$9.45 per hour, as Dishwasher & Busser and Waitress in Training, effective when Community Center opens; Linda Talbott seconded it. Roll Call vote – Five voted aye. This concluded Alcester Community Center topics.

Regarding the Automatic Swing Door for the AHHS Library – Dave Larsen made a motion to approve splitting the bill with AHHS and paying up to \$1,250, GF, to Automatic Door Group for the installation of the Automatic Swing Door; Cyndi Peeples seconded it. Roll Call vote – Five voted aye.

For Finance Office Updates – Cyndi Peeples made a motion to approve the September warrants; Linda Talbott seconded it. Roll Call vote – Four voted aye-Driesen abstained. Salaries: Finance Office-\$3,936.46, Police-

\$5,164.88, Street-\$3,417.28, Water-\$3,036.99, Sewer-\$3,376.00, Library-\$1,116.64, Snow-\$0, Audi-\$217.82, Solid Waste-\$506.15, Cemetery-\$504.28, Park-\$374.21, Golf-\$8,704.05, Pool-\$18.54, Mayor-\$0, Council-\$0, Alcester Hudson High School-Utilities, \$1,027.25, Alcester Area Chamber of Commerce-Fireworks Sponsor, \$500.00, Alcester Fire Dept-allowance, \$1,400.00.00, Alcester Fire Department-Grant, \$6,870.00, Alcester Quickstop-Fuel, \$130.06, Alliance Communications-Utility, \$547.00, Austin Schuller-Cell Phone Stipend & Travel, \$113.76, Bankcard Merchant-Fees, \$40.00, Bomgaars-supplies & repairs, \$468.24, Cash-Supplies, \$25.00, City of Alcester-Beer Markup & Deposit Refund, \$280.17, Core&Main-Supplies, \$1,059.42, Dakota Beverage-Supplies, \$82.40, Dale Pearson-Cell Phone Stipend, \$60.00, David Larsen-Supplies & Repairs, \$530.17, Dept of Revenue-Sales Tax, \$2,156.26, Dust-tex-Supplies, \$48.53, EZ Liner-Supplies, \$154.59, Frieberg, Nelson & Ask-Legal Fees, \$2,739.00, Geotek Engineering-Professional Fees, \$337.50, Hawkins-Chemicals, \$3,489.33, Ingram Library Services-Books, \$512.23, IRS-payroll taxes, \$7,060.05, Jay Engel-Repairs, \$35.00, John Conklin-Beer, \$1,172.15, LP Gill-Landfill Rental, \$2,436.25, Lonnie Johnson-Cell Phone Stipend, \$60.00, Maxwell Food Equipment-Equipment, \$25,573.00, Mid-American Energy-Utilities, \$2,459.04, Mid-American Research Company-Supplies, \$1,118.04, Mitch Merrick-Contract Labor, \$110.00, Muller Auto Parts-Supplies, \$68.88, Olson's Ace Hardware-Supplies & Repair, \$58.89, Parker Dooley-Cell Phone Stipend, \$50.00, Patricia Jurrens-Cell Phone Stipend, \$60.00, Pete's Produce-Repairs & Supplies, \$213.32, Pilger Sand & Gravel-Sand, \$2,587.66, Premier Bank-HSA Insurance, \$400.00, SD Law Enforcement-Supplies, \$10.00, SD Public Health Lab-Labs, \$181.00, South Lincoln Rural Water-Water Purchase, \$9,504.40, Southeastern Electric-Electric, \$962.90, Tim Nabity-Contract Labor, \$25.00, Total Stop Food Store-Supplies, \$584.48, Truesdell Oil-Fuel, \$1,006.35, Verizon-Utility, \$80.02, Wanda Halverson-Cell Phone Stipend, \$60.00, Waterman Backhoe-Repairs, \$2,040.82, Wellmark-Health Insurance, \$2,589.97 and Your Daily Dose-supplies, \$8.50.

Darla Reppe made a motion to add Jade Ericson and Brittany Huenink to Alcester EMS, Dale Jurrens to Pleasant Hill Cemetery and remove Cosette Hemen from Alcester Library Board for the Volunteer Roster; Dave Larsen seconded it. Roll Call vote – Five voted aye.

Cyndi Peoples made a motion to approve Credit Card Charge Limits by removing Jeffrey Christie, by increasing charge limit to \$1,000 for Austin Schuller, adding Grayson Cannon-Lass with charge limit \$500.00; Linda Talbott seconded it. Roll Call vote – Five voted aye.

For Reminders & Updates – None. This concluded Finance Office Updates.

At 8:20 pm, Linda Talbott made a motion to enter into Executive Session pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(1) Personnel; Darla Reppe seconded it. Roll Call vote – Five voted aye. Mayor Haeder called the Council out of Executive Session at 8:59 pm. At 9:00 pm, David Larsen made a motion to enter into Executive Session pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(1) Personnel; Cyndi Peoples seconded it. Roll Call vote – Five voted aye. Mayor Haeder called the Council out of Executive Session at 9:12 pm.

Cyndi Peoples made a motion to adjourn, Darla Reppe seconded it. Roll Call vote – Five voted aye. Meeting adjourned at 9:13 pm.

CITY OF ALCESTER  
Daniel Haeder, Mayor

ATTEST:  
Patricia Jurrens, Finance Officer

The following are 2021 Salaries: Ahart, Hannah-\$9.45; Nyreen, Clint-\$18.50