

REGULAR MEETING OF THE ALCESTER CITY COUNCIL

The Alcester City Council held their regular City Council Meeting on Monday, November 21, 2022. Mayor Dan Haeder called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm with the following Council members present: Darla Reppe, Cyndi Peeples, Lukas Driesen, and Kyle VandenHull. Also present during the meeting were Patricia Jurrens, Abigail Moore, Vickie Larsen, Gordon Richard, and Tanya Miller. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance. Sam Nelson arrived at 6:05 pm.

Darla Reppe made a motion to approve the agenda; Lukas Driesen seconded it. Four voted aye.

For Public Input – Vickie Larsen addressed the Council with concerns of non-licensed youth drivers driving golf carts on the city streets. Lukas Driesen shared comment of a sewer smell on 5th and Ofstad Street. Lukas Driesen shared comment of selling the old clubhouse as a personal residence. This concluded Public Input.

Regarding the Storm Sewers on South Iowa Street – Sam Nelson provided communication received from L.G. Everist regarding the Railroad portion. Kyle VandenHull made a motion to approve seeking engineering input and direction for the Storm Sewer; Cyndi Peeples seconded it. Four voted aye. This concluded Storm Sewer discussion.

For Legal Updates – Sam Nelson presented a draft delivery agreement for the Council's review. It was decided to table and look into an insurance policy which would cover this position. Regarding the nuisance property at 307 Iowa Street; an inspection is scheduled and more information to follow. This concluded Legal Updates.

Regarding a Fairgrounds Update – Sam Nelson shared correspondence between the County and City Attorney regarding the project. There are many unknowns at this time to make any decisions. More information is needed before moving forward. This concluded the Fairgrounds Update.

Regarding the 505 Ofstad Street property – Pat Jurrens presented a review of the property expenses. Darla Reppe made a motion to approve declaring it surplus property as it is no longer used for the purpose intended; Cyndi Peeples seconded it. Four voted aye. Cyndi Peeples made a motion to approve Lukas Driesen, Dave Larsen and Katie VandenHull as taxpaying appraisers to determine the appraised value of said property; Darla Reppe seconded it. Four voted aye. This concluded 505 Ofstad Street Property discussion.

Tanya Miller, Banner Engineering, presented information regarding Amendment 1, rebidding fees. Kyle VandenHull made a motion to approve the Banner Engineering Amendment 1, Rebidding Fee for Tasks 305A and 350A, \$15,591.50, Wastewater Fund, Current Contract \$495,400, Updated Contract, \$511,191.50; Darla Reppe seconded it. Four voted aye. This concluded the Wastewater Facility Plant Upgrade.

Regarding Chairperson updates: Street-none. Cemetery-none. Water-none. Wastewater-topics discussed earlier. Library-none. Golf Course/Community Center-loss of kitchen help and new menu. Park/Pool-new automatic lights at the enclosed shelter. Finance Office-new lights in office and hallways. Liquor Store-busy. This concluded Chairperson Updates.

Regarding Old School Center discussion – AHHS is moving forward with demolition of the old AHS building. Engineering will be completed to determine how the demo will occur keeping structural integrity. The Industrial Board asked the City Council if they would be interested in taking over the property. No action at this time. This concluded Old School Center.

Regarding Payroll Authorization Approval – Abigail Moore provided the final paperwork needed to complete the direct deposit. Kyle VandenHull made a motion to approve users granted access to originate an ACH file Abigail Moore and Patricia Jurrens; and approve users granted access to approve ACH file are Daniel Haeder, Darla Reppe and Lukas Driesen; and approve if all Alderman and Mayor are not available for approval, Alderman or Mayor to call Premier Bank for a one time approval by Patricia Jurrens to authorize payroll; Cyndi Peeples seconded it. Four voted aye. This concluded Payroll Authorization.

For Finance Office updates – Pat Jurrens requested the last two performance reviews be completed before year end. Reminders & Updates include: City Hall closed for Thanksgiving holiday-November 24-25, 2022; Landfill closes November 30, 2022; City Council Meeting-December 5, 2022; and Community Center One Year Anniversary-December 9, 2022. This concluded Finance Office Updates.

Executive Session – none.

Kyle VandenHull made a motion to approve hiring Cornelia Hathcoat, Cook at \$10 per hour effective immediately at Community Center; Cyndi Peeples seconded it. Four voted aye.

Cyndi Peeples made a motion to adjourn; Darla Reppe seconded it. Four voted aye. Meeting adjourned at 7:29 pm.

The following are the 2022 Salaries (per hour): Hathcoat, Cornelia-\$10.00

CITY OF ALCESTER
Daniel Haeder, Mayor

ATTEST:
Patricia Jurrens, Finance Officer