

REGULAR MEETING OF THE ALCESTER CITY COUNCIL

The Alcester City Council held their regular City Council Meeting on Monday, January 9, 2023. Mayor Dan Haeder called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm with the following Council members present: Cyndi Peebles, Darla Reppe, Lukas Driesen, and Kyle VandenHull. Also present during the meeting were Patricia Jurrens, Abigail Moore, Chief Austin Schuller, Officer Lass, Dale Pearson, Vickie Larsen, Gordon Richard, Howey Closson, Rich Akland, Kerry Hedden and Babette Merchant. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Cyndi Peebles made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 5 and December 19, 2022 meetings; Lukas Driesen seconded it. Four voted aye.

For Public Input – Chief Schuller addressed the Council with a written statement of gratitude for his time serving the City of Alcester, Vickie Larsen addressed the Council thanking the Police Department, a concern of county policing, internships and legal questions. Kerry Hedden addressed the Council with appreciation for the sitting Aldermen, Babette Merchant addressed the Council with scene safe concerns on ambulance calls, Howey Closson addressed the Council with concerns regarding nuisance ordinances, Rich Akland addressed the Council with gratitude for the Mayor, Aldermen, Finance Office, Street & Snow Removal – that Alcester is a good place to live, and Mayor Haeder shared a patron concern regarding water quality. This concluded Public Input.

For Fireworks – Travis Robinson was not present.

For Police updates – Officer Lass presented comments on the monthly stats. This concluded Police Updates.

For Resignations – Lukas Driesen made a motion to accept the resignations of Austin Schuller and Grayson Lass and to thank them for their service; Darla Reppe seconded it. Four Voted aye. Kyle VandenHull made a motion to approve declaring the police vest as surplus as it is no longer useful for the purpose intended and selling it to Union County at \$900.00; Cyndi Peebles seconded it. Four voted aye. Lukas Driesen made a motion to approve advertising the open positions in the Keloland Employment, Star, Advertising, Alcester Union Hudsonite, SDML Magazine; Cyndi Peebles seconded it. Four voted aye. This concluded Resignations.

For Legal Updates – Mr Nelson was not present.

For the 2023 Retainer Agreement – Kyle VandenHull requested a City Attorney attend Council meetings. Kyle VandenHull made a motion to approve the Retainer Agreement, Frieberg, Nelson & Ask, 2023; Darla Reppe seconded it. Four voted aye. This concluded Retainer Agreement.

Regarding the 2023 Official Newspaper – Cyndi Peebles made a motion to approve the Alcester Union Hudsonite as the Official Newspaper for the City of Alcester, 2023; Lukas Driesen seconded it. Four voted aye.

Regarding the 2023 Official Bank – Darla Reppe made a motion to approve Premier Bank as the Official Depository for the City of Alcester, 2023; Cyndi Peebles seconded it. Four voted aye.

For the 2021 Audit Review – Kyle VandenHull requested a quote for different Municipal Software as noted in the Auditors notes. Kyle VandenHull made a motion to accept the 2021 Audit; Cyndi Peebles seconded it. Four voted aye.

Regarding the Ice Machine at 1More Bar – Darla Reppe provided update after her review of the current ice machine. A quote from Maxwell Equipment was reviewed. Cyndi Peebles made a motion to approve the purchase of Model IYT0300A Ice Machine and Bin if needed, Maxwell Equipment, \$4,691.35, GF; Darla Reppe seconded it. Four voted aye. This concluded Ice Machine Discussion.

Regarding PayGov – Abigail Moore provided an explanation of this service and answered questions. Kyle VandenHull made a motion to approve Resolution No 2023-01, A Resolution of the City of Alcester to Authorize the use of PayGov.US, LLC, for Credit Card, Debit Card, or ACH Electronic Check Transactions; Lukas Driesen seconded it. Four voted aye.

RESOLUTION NO 2023-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ALCESTER TO AUTHORIZE THE USE OF PAYGOV.US, LLC FOR CREDIT CARD, DEBIT CARD OR ACH ELECTRONIC CHECK TRANSACTIONS

WHEREAS the City of Alcester City Council recognizes the need to offer better means to pay their consumer fees in a timely fashion, and

WHEREAS PayGOV.US, LLC has a comprehensive payment solution for our customers, offering the option of credit card, debit card, ACH electronic check transactions and recurring monthly payments, 24/7, using the internet or by phone. Thus not burdening all the taxpayers with the service fees incurred to accept credit cards and debit cards currently, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Alcester City Council that a service agreement be entered into with PayGOV.US for a monthly agreement that is automatically renewable every month until the Council agrees in writing to discontinue this service and they authorize the Finance Office signature on this agreement.

Dated this 9th day of January, 2023 CITY OF ALCESTER, /s/ Daniel E Haeder, Mayor ATTEST /s/ Patricia R Jurrens, Finance Officer

Regarding Bill Approval – Darla Reppe made a motion to approve paying Beelner Service (\$4,770), 2nd Penny, Sprinklers; SECOG (\$4,000) Grant Preparation, Sewer Fund; Industrial Process Technology (\$51,120) Bond & Insurance, Sewer Fund; Banner Engineering (\$18,083.18) Engineering Services, Sewer Fund; Lukas Driesen seconded it. Four voted aye. This concluded Bill Approval.

For Finance Office updates – Abigail Moore asked for input regarding the ACH Payroll Authorization Process. Council recommended to ask Legal Counsel for input.

Cyndi Peeples made a motion to approve paying the December Warrants; Lukas Driesen seconded it. Four voted aye. Salaries: Finance Office-\$4,338.01, Police-\$7,741.89, Street-\$3,395.47, Water-\$2,320.88, Sewer-\$3,856.77, Library-\$984.17, Snow-\$894.78, Audi-\$79.75, Solid Waste-\$123.60, Cemetery-\$409.43, Park-\$0, Golf-\$13,337.73, Pool-\$0, Mayor-\$585.00, Council-\$1425.00, Abigail Moore-Cell Phone Stipend, \$60.00, Alcester Fire Dept-allowance, \$1,400.00, Alcester Quickstop-Fuel, \$167.26, Alliance Communications-Utility, \$598.00, American Engineering-Lab Fees, \$5,140.75, Appera-Supplies, \$1,336.03, Applied Software-Repairs, Software, \$402.40, Austin Schuller-Cell Phone Stipend, \$60.00, Axel Ericson Electric-Repairs, \$806.15, Bomgaars-supplies & repairs, \$1,168.75, Central Square-Dues, \$420.07, Chesterman-Supplies, \$1,331.00, City of Alcester-Water Refund, Beer Markup, \$464.29, Dakota Beverage-Supplies, \$1,119.65, Dale Pearson-Cell Phone Stipend-\$60.00, Depart of Revenue-Sales Tax, \$2,909.10, Dust-Tex-Maintenance, \$40.94, Eldean or Betty Lykken-Water Deposit Refund, \$150.00, Frieberg, Nelson & Ask-Legal Fees, \$1,215.00, Grayson Lass-Cell Phone Stipend, \$60.00, Haugan Heating & Cooling-Repairs, \$325.00, Ingram Library Services-Books, \$185.30, IRS-payroll taxes, \$8,937.92, Jennifer Peters-Security Deposit Refund, \$150.00, Jim Paulson-Security Deposit Refund, \$31.21, John Conklin-Supplies, \$441.35, Johnson Brothers-Supplies, \$701.93, Kelsey Erickson-Supplies, Cell Phone Stipend, \$176.00, Kyle or Jessy Paulson-Security Deposit Refund, \$150.00, Kyle or Katie VandenHull-Security Deposit Refund, \$150.00, Kyle Tiftt-Security Deposit Refund, \$150.00, LP Gill-Landfill Rental, \$2,313.34, Landon Nygard-Cell Phone Stipend, \$60.00, Lonnie Johnson-Cell Phone Stipend, \$60.00, Loren Fischer Disposal-Garbage, \$137.61, Michael Croy-Cell Phone Stipend, \$60.00, Mid-American Energy-Utilities, \$3,087.45, New Century Press-Publications, \$98.56, Olson's Ace Hardware-Repairs, Supplies, \$78.97, Patricia Jurrens-Postage, Cell Phone Stipend, \$69.90, Pete's Produce-Supplies, \$539.50, Post Office-Dues, \$66.00, Premier Bank-Bond, HSA Insurance, \$930.00, Rachel Hedeem-Security Deposit Refund, \$75.00, Reinhart/Performance Foods-Supplies, \$4,131.99, Republic National-Liquor, \$202.10, Sam or Rebekka Cotton-Security Deposit Refund, \$150.00, Schoeneman's-Supplies, \$104.40, SD Retirement-Retirement, \$4,175.70, South Lincoln Rural Water-Water Purchase, \$5,713.50, Southeastern Electric-Utilities, \$1,630.11, Square-Dues, \$191.70, Sunset Law Enforcement-Supplies, \$224.20, Susanne Hansen-Security Deposit Refund, \$150.00, Sysco-Food, \$8,622.29, Taylor Forbes-Security Deposit Refund, \$100.00, The Fillin' Station-Maintenance, \$192.25, Total Stop Food Store-Supplies, \$647.31, USA Bluebook-Supplies, \$139.80, Visa-Supplies, Postage, Fuel, \$1,057.24, and Your Daily Dose-\$14.46.

Information was presented for a Managing a Municipality Workshop, Springfield, February 16, 2023.

Darla Reppe made a motion to approve the City of Alcester 2023 Resolution of Fees; Cyndi Peeples seconded it. Four voted aye.

Pat Jurrens presented the 2023 Municipal Election Information, with vacancies, Election Terms and Election Date of April 11, 2023.

At 8:15 pm – Darla Reppe made a motion to enter into Executive Session pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(1) Personnel; Lukas Driesen seconded it. Four voted aye. Mayor Haeder called the Council out of Executive Session at 9:21 pm. Lukas Driesen made a motion to approve the 2023 Salaries; Cyndi Peeples seconded it. Four voted aye.

For Reminders & Updates–Shovel all walkways & path to water meter, City Council Meeting-January 23, 2023, 6 pm, Dog/Cat License Deadline- January 31, 2023. This concluded Finance Office Updates.

No Executive Session needed.

Kyle VandenHull made a motion to adjourn; Cyndi Peeples seconded it. Four voted aye. Meeting adjourned at 9:28 pm.

The following are the 2023 Salaries (per hour): Ahart, Hannah-\$7.42, Anderson, James-\$16.45, Burke, Lincoln-\$12.00, Bushby, Rhonda-\$9.54, Carlson, Stormi-\$7.42, Croy, Michael-\$16.43, Erickson, Emma-\$7.42, Erickson, Kelsey-\$15.63, Fenne, Avery-\$17.75, Fillingsness, Geoffrey-\$25.75, German, Paige-\$15.29, Gilbertson, Curt-\$14.50, Haisch, LeeAnn-\$12.00, Halverson, Wanda-\$7.95 (\$12.00 Cleaning), Hartman, Eldean-\$13.78, Hathcoat, Cornelia-\$13.00, Johnson, Lonnie-\$25.00, Jorgensen, Dale-\$14.50, Jurich, Gregory-\$18.81, Jurrens, Patricia-\$25.00, Kast, Michael-\$12.00, Kingma, Ava-\$7.42, Klemme, Keagan-\$11.00, Larsen, David-\$14.50, Lass, Grayson-\$19.38, Manning, Jenna-\$7.42, Merrick, Mitch-\$16.45, Miller, Loren-\$18.81, Moore, Abigail-\$15.37, Nygard, Landon-\$1,615.00 Salary, Oberg, Anna-\$10.80, Paulson, Aleigha-\$7.42, Pearson, Dale-\$25.00, Rhead, Callie-\$13.50, Schempp, Joni-\$7.95, Schenzel, Lisa-\$18.81, Schuller, Austin-\$25.11, Smith, Jenna-\$13.00, VanWyk, Selene-\$13.50, Vermeesch, Darnelle-\$7.42, Wielenga, Blake-\$11.00, Mayor-\$125.00 per month / \$35.00 per meeting, Council-\$75.00 per month / \$25.00 per meeting, Uncertified Police Officer-\$17.75, Certified Police Officer-\$18.81, Lifeguard 1st Year-\$12.00, Lifeguard 2nd Year-\$12.50, WSI Lifeguard 1st Year-\$13.00, WSI Lifeguard 2nd Year-\$13.50, Pool Manager-\$14.00.

CITY OF ALCESTER
Daniel Haeder, Mayor

ATTEST:
Patricia Jurrens, Finance Officer