

REGULAR MEETING OF THE ALCESTER CITY COUNCIL

The Alcester City Council held their regular City Council Meeting on Monday, April 5, 2021. Mayor Dan Haeder called the meeting to order at 6:01 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, and Vickie Larsen. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Dave Larsen made motion to approve agenda; Linda Talbott seconded it. Roll Call vote; five voted aye.

Linda Talbott made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 1 and March 15, 2021 meetings; Darla Reppe seconded it. Roll Call vote; five voted aye.

Alderman interviews rescheduled for May 3, 2021 Council meeting.

For Public Input – Vickie Larsen addressed the Council with concerns regarding City Storm Shelter, the City Shop Computer, Underage Minors driving Golf Carts, Water Usage by Fire Department, and Retaining Wall. This concluded Public Input.

For Paint South Dakota 2021 – No properties were presented.

For Legal Updates – Sam Nelson provided nuisance property update for Iowa Street Property. Mr Nelson provided an overview of the 2021 Legislative Topics and changes in Statutes.

Department updates included the following: Street – None, Water/Wastewater – SD DENR awarded the City of Alcester \$3,710,000 Loan for the Wastewater Facility Upgrade with \$2,650,000 of debt forgiveness and the remainder a loan for 30 years at 2.125% interest. Tanya Miller, Banner Engineering, will attend the April 19, 2021 Council meeting with updated information. Chief Christie presented the Police Stats and class information for Officer Schuller to attend in August 2021. Dave Larsen presented the Golf Course is open and had a very busy opening weekend. Michael Croy is scheduled to return as Clubhouse Manager mid-April. Dave Larsen made a motion to hire April Peitzman as Clubhouse Attendant at \$10 per hour; Darla Reppe seconded it. Roll Call vote – Five vote aye. Regarding the Cart Shed Inspection by Summer Rec – Dave Larsen made contact with Josh Carlson to examine the building. More updates later. For Library Updates – things are moving nicely at the Library, Paige German is doing an excellent job. The Book Club is reading the Children's Blizzard for a May 2021 discussion. This concluded Department Updates. No Chairperson updates were presented.

Darla Reppe made a motion to purchase a Lowe 750 Post Hole Auger, \$1200.00, General Fund, from Axel Ericson; Dave Larsen seconded it. Roll Call Vote – Five voted aye.

Regarding Ordinance / Policy Clarifications – it has been brought to the Mayor's attention – the Ordinances and Personnel Policy need to be modified to remove ambiguity. The 7.05 Parking Ordinance is the first section to be examined.

No changes were approved regarding Resolution No 2021-03, Face Coverings Requirement.

For Water Meter Installation, the Council discussed charging a rate for meter installation and/or what amount charged for City Employees to install the water meter. Dave Larsen made a motion to charge \$40 for City Employee Water Meter Installation; Linda Talbott seconded it. Roll Call Vote – Four voted aye; Marcus Ireland voted nay.

Tables, Chairs and Picnic Table rentals – the Council discussed renting out the tables, chairs and picnic tables to the Alcester Citizens. Dave Larsen made a motion to rent out the tables at \$5, chairs at \$0, and Picnic Tables at \$10 with a deposit of \$20 per table for a period up to 3 days; Linda Talbott seconded it. Roll Call Vote – Five voted aye.

Darla Reppe made a motion to declare the Gravely Mower surplus as it no longer can perform the purpose intended, to scrap the mower for metal pricing; Linda Talbott seconded it. Roll Call Vote – Five voted aye.

For Lifeguard & WSI Certification Reimbursement – the Council discussed the current reimbursement and the proposed reimbursement procedure. Marcus Ireland made a motion to reimburse half Lifeguard and WSI Certification costs after the conclusion of swimming lessons with the second half reimbursement after the conclusion of swimming lessons the following year; Darla Reppe seconded it. Roll Call Vote – Five voted aye.

For Siren System Update – a diode needs repair by the Fire Station. Andy Minihan had requested communities to participate in the Severe Weather Awareness Week, April 19th – April 23, 2021. On Wednesday, April 21, 2021 – at 10 AM - Test Tornado Watch will be issued, at 10:15 AM a Test Tornado Warning will be issued and at 10:30 AM all warnings will be cancelled. For the City of Alcester – the Sirens will sound the same for all three events – but will sound at 10 AM, 10:15 AM and 10:30 AM.

For the Finance Office – Linda Talbott made a motion to approve the following warrants: Darla Reppe seconded it. Roll Call vote; five voted aye. Salaries: Finance Office-\$3,867.19, Police-\$7,802.21, Street-\$4,949.73, Water-\$3,036.99, Sewer-\$3,189.69, Library-\$1,067.50, Snow-\$444.78, Audi-\$334.24, Solid Waste-\$0, Cemetery-\$74.53, Park-\$24.75, Golf-\$2,839.63, Mayor-\$585.00, Council-\$1,850.00, AACC-Chamber Cash, \$390.00, Alcester Fire Dept-allowance, \$1,400.00.00, Alcester Quickstop-Fuel, \$173.96, Alliance Communications-Utility, \$389.00, Austin Schuller-Cell Phone Stipend-\$60.00, Axel Ericson-Repairs, \$368.67, Banner Engineering-Professional Fees, \$5,980.00, Block20Sales-Equipment Purchase, \$2,300.00, Bomgaars-supplies & repairs, \$61.89, Butler Machinery-Maintenance, \$237.12, Cash-Golf Course Startup, \$200.00, Cenex Credit Card-Fuel, \$377.01, Central Parts-Repair, \$117.8, City of Alcester-RLF Payment, \$4,080.00, City of Alcester-Reimbursed Health Insurance Premiums, \$239.17, CO-OP Architecture-Professional Fees, \$2,400.00, Core&Main-Supplies, \$6,741.53, Cubs Country Car Wash-Maintenance, \$100.00, Dale Pearson-Cell Phone Stipend, \$60.00, Demco-Supplies, \$487.99, Dustex-Maintenance, \$36.50, Frieberg, Nelson & Ask-Legal Fees, \$1,398.45, GovOffice-Subscription, \$695.00, Hawkins-Chemicals, \$251.04, Ingram Library Services-Books, \$155.95, IRS-payroll taxes, \$6,712.56, J&W Repair-Equipment Purchase, \$9,204.50, Jack's Uniforms-Uniforms, \$1,417.41, Jeff Christie-Cell Phone Stipend, \$60.00, John Conklin-Beer, \$265.00, LP Gill-Landfill Rental, \$1,488.31, Land Marc Construction-Supplies, \$1,092.53, Lonnie Johnson-Cell Phone Stipend, \$60.00, Loren Fischer Disposal-Garbage, \$40.00, Mid-American Energy-Utilities, \$2,450.53, Midwest Turf-Maintenance, \$249.98, Muller Auto-Repairs, \$2525.97, Northern Truck-Supplies, \$1,510.10, Parker Dooley-Cell Phone Stipend, \$60.00, Patricia Jurrens-Cell Phone Stipend, \$60.00, Pearson Dirt-Maintenance, \$1,751.85, Pete's Produce-Supplies, \$264.30, Pies Construction-Maintenance, \$350.00, Sanford Health-Insurance, \$5,603.42, SD Rural Water Association-Dues, \$500.00, SD Retirement-Retirement, \$3,414.46, South Lincoln Rural Water-Water Purchase, \$5,931.90, Southeastern Electric-utilities & repairs, \$476.95, Star Publishing-Publications, \$249.51, Sunlife Financial-Insurance, \$160.52, Total Stop Food Store-Supplies, \$118.39, Truesdell Oil Company-Fuel, \$1,070.70, Verizon-Utility, \$80.02, Visa-Supplies, Postage, Fuel, \$2,223.49, Wanda Halverson-Cell Phone Stipend, \$60.00, Visions Construction-Construction Costs, \$0, Waterman Backhoe-Repair, \$1,594.39 and Zimco-Chemicals, \$521.81.

Pat Jurrens presented the 2020 Annual Report. Dave Larsen made a motion to approve the 2020 Annual Report; Linda Talbott seconded it. Roll Call Vote – Five voted aye.

For Reminders & Updates: AHHS Prom, April 10, 2021; Spring Cleanup, April 16-May 3, 2021; Quam, Berglin & Post Audit, April 22-23, 2021. This concluded Finance Office Updates.

For the Alcester Community Building update – Dave Larsen stated the roof sheeting is next completed job on the Community Center.

Darla Reppe provided an update regarding the 2021 Union County Fair. List of events includes Wild Card Band playing on Thursday evening; Tractor Pull on Friday evening and discussing Bull Riding on Saturday evening. More information to come.

No Executive Session needed.

Darla Reppe made a motion to adjourn, Linda Talbott seconded it. Roll Call vote; five voted aye. Meeting adjourned at 8:22 pm.

The following are the 2021 Salaries (per hour): Peitzman, April-\$10.00

CITY OF ALCESTER
Daniel Haeder, Mayor

ATTEST:
Patricia Jurrens, Finance Officer