

REGULAR MEETING OF THE ALCESTER CITY COUNCIL

The Alcester City Council held their regular City Council Meeting on Monday, August 2, 2021. Mayor Dan Haeder called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm with the following Council members present: Linda Talbott, Darla Reppe, Curtis Keiser (via telephone), Cyndi Peeples, David Larsen and Brian Johnson. Also present during the meeting were Patricia Jurrens, Wanda Halverson, Interim Chief Schuller, Sam Nelson, Gordon Richard, Vickie Larsen, Kim Willms, Sherry Oswald, Eric Machmiller, Theresa Deem, Kerry Hedden, Mike Bucholz, and Joe Constance. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance. Arriving later were Kama Johnson, Melissa Kay, Kathy Joseph and Cheryl Peters.

One agenda change – to omit discussion on Ordinance Update of Title 3 and Personnel Policy Resolution. Dave Larsen made motion to approve agenda with the omission of items 10c & 10 f; Cyndi Peeples seconded it. Six voted aye.

Brian Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 19 and July 26 meetings; Linda Talbott seconded it. Six voted aye.

For Public Input – Vickie Larsen addressed the Council with concerns of a FOIA request. Mike Bucholz addressed the Mayor and Finance Officer with a complaint regarding the 72-hour parking Ordinance. Kerry Hedden addressed the Council with concerns of granting alcohol license to Total Stop and voiced support of Alcester Police Department. Eric Machmiller, General Manager of Total Stop Food Store, addressed the Council with comments regarding the gain of sales revenue to the City by granting Total Stop an alcohol license. This concluded Public Input.

Mayor Haeder presented the Certificates of Achievement from DANR to Dale Pearson and Lonnie Johnson in recognition of providing the City of Alcester safe drinking water.

Cyndi Peeples made a motion to reschedule the September 6, 2021 City Council meeting to Tuesday, September 7, 2021, 6 pm, Old School Center, 500 Dakota Street, due to Labor Day Holiday; Linda Talbott seconded it. Six voted aye.

At 6:15 pm Mayor Haeder opened the Public Hearing for the Application for Sale of Alcoholic Beverages at Total Stop Food Store. Members of the Council commented opinions of their Wards. Members of the public addressed the Council with comments both in favor and opposed to the application. Application request died for lack of a motion.

For Medical Cannabis – Sample Licensing Ordinance and a Sample Restrictive Zoning Ordinance was presented for comments from the City Council. Sam Nelson will draft the Ordinances for the August 16, 2021 meeting.

For Legal Updates – Sam Nelson presented an update on the nuisance property at 307 Iowa Street. Mr Nelson explained the process for vacating the alley between 3rd and 4th Street and between Union Street and Ofstad Street. Linda Talbott made a motion to approve the First Reading of **Ordinance No 2021-13, An Ordinance Amending the Revised Municipal Ordinances of the City of Alcester, South Dakota, Title 5-Offenses, Chapter 5.01 Offenses Against Public Welfare, Section 5.01085-Penalty**; Dave Larsen seconded it. Roll Call vote - six voted aye. Dave Larsen made a motion to amend the verbiage of Ordinance No 2021-12 to add "From October 1 to May 15" at the beginning of item J, to remove "and a warning issued" from the center of paragraph J, and to correct the duplicate number 12 to 14; Darla Reppe seconded it. Six voted aye. Cyndi Peeples made a motion to approve the First Reading of **Ordinance No 2021-12, An Ordinance Amending the Revised Municipal Ordinances of the City of Alcester, South Dakota, Title 7-Traffic Code, Chapter 7.05 Parking, Stopping, Section 7.0501-Parking Prohibited in Certain Places**; Linda Talbott seconded it. Roll Call vote – six voted aye. This concluded Legal Updates.

For the Police Department – at 7:38 pm, Dave Larsen made a motion to enter into Executive Session pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(1) – Personnel; Cyndi Peeples seconded. Six voted aye. Mayor Haeder called the Council out of Executive Session at 8:00 pm. Linda Talbott made a motion to hire Austin Schuller as Police Chief, at \$23.00 per hour effective June 5, 2021; Cyndi Peeples seconded it. Roll Call voted – six voted aye. Dave Larsen made a motion to approve advertising for a Police Officer; Brian Johnson seconded it. Six voted aye. This concluded Police Updates.

For Chairperson Updates – Street-Curtis Keiser stated Lonnie Johnson had contacted him to discuss equipment issues; Darla Reppe stated she observed the lifeguards in action and the lifeguards are doing a great job! Darla Reppe stated that next year – a plan of corrective action needs to be in place when patrons need to be reprimanded. Cyndi Peebles thanked Dale & Pat Jurrens for trimming the Cemetery. Dave Larsen stated the Library is updating the Policy Manual and will need a Board Member as Cosette Hemen stepped down. Dave Larsen stated the Golf Course is green and large groups and utilizing the course. This concluded Chairperson Head Updates.

For Finance Office Updates – Cyndi Peebles made a motion to approve the July warrants; Darla Reppe seconded it. Six voted aye. Salaries: Finance Office-\$4,365.05, Police-\$3,513.19, Street-\$3,249.65, Water-\$3,036.99, Sewer-\$3,640.05, Library-\$1,220.65, Snow-\$0, Audi-\$39.71, Solid Waste-\$541.24, Cemetery-\$847.52, Park-\$877.91, Golf-\$8,474.74, Pool-\$8,286.92, Mayor-\$0, Council-\$0, Akron Hometown-Subscription, \$36.00, Alcester Bar-Supplies, \$20.00, Alcester Fire Dept-allowance, \$1,400.00.00, Alcester Quickstop-Fuel, \$134.99, Alliance Communications-Utility, \$524.00, B&B Golf Carts-Repairs, \$27.95, Bomgaars-supplies & repairs, \$114.10, Cenex Credit Card-Fuel, \$281.04, Chesterman’s-Supplies, \$503.44, City of Alcester-Beer Markup, \$131.38, CO-OP Architecture-Services, \$2,400.00, Concrete Materials-Street Improvements, \$1,926.36, Dakota Beverage-Supplies, \$1,252.50, Dakota Fluid Power-Repairs, \$12.74, Daktronics-Equipment Purchase, \$870.00, David Larsen-Supplies, \$33.76, Davis Equipment-Repairs, \$238.95, Dept of Revenue-Sales Tax, \$999.85, Dust-Tex-Repairs, \$29.12, Frieberg, Nelson & Ask-Legal Fees, \$680.00, Hawkins-Chemicals, \$7,339.59, Ingram Library Services-Books, \$435.85, IRS-payroll taxes, \$8,395.47, Jaxon Doering-Mowing, \$110.00, John Conklin-Bear, \$0, LP Gill-Landfill Rental, \$2,286.10, Light & Siren-Repairs, \$236.00, Loffler-Supplies, \$320.66, Lone Star Enterprises-Repairs, \$1,403.66, Loren Fischer Disposal-Garbage, \$372.32, Mary Jane Butzer-Supplies, \$100.00, MC&R Pools-Supplies, \$135.26, Mid-American Energy-Utilities, \$2,421.95, Mid-American Research Company-Supplies, \$168.09, Olson’s Ace Hardware-Supplies & Repair, \$62.07, Parker Dooley-Mileage, \$50.40, Patricia Jurrens-Supplies, \$18.00, Pepsi-Supplies, \$310.65, Pete’s Produce-Repairs & Supplies, \$253.44, Premier Bank-HSA Insurance, \$400.00, Sanitation Products-Repairs, \$1,783.87, SD Department of Health-License, \$215.00, SD Unemployment-Insurance, \$330.87, SD Retirement-Retirement, \$7,591.96, South Lincoln Rural Water-Water Purchase, \$10,857.60, Southeastern Electric-Electric, \$1,477.56, Square Inc-Supplies, \$1,329.00, Star Publishing-Publications, \$391.91, Sun Life Financial-Life Insurance, \$73.88, Sunnyside Storage-Rental, \$82.58, Sysco Lincoln-Food Supplies, \$1,354.04, Total Stop Food Store-Supplies, \$960.99, Truesdell Oil-Fuel, \$685.38, Verizon-Utility, \$80.02, Visa-Supplies, Postage, Fuel, \$760.57, Vision Construction-Community Center, \$188,440.09, Waterman Backhoe-Repairs, \$306.12, and Wellmark-Health Insurance, \$2,589.97.

For Reminders & Updates – Union County Fair-August 5-7; Free Greens Fees Weekend-August 14/15; Pool Closes for the Season-August 15; AHHS School Starts-August 19; and AHHS 5K Fun Run/Walk – August 21, 2021. This concluded Finance Office Updates.

For the Alcester Community Building update – Sheetrock will begin during August.

Darla Reppe stated Fairboard held final meeting pre-Fair for last minute details. For anyone available & interested – the City Council will host a float in the Parade.

No Executive Session needed.

Darla Reppe made a motion to adjourn, Curtis Keiser seconded it. Six voted aye. Meeting adjourned at 8:31 pm.

CITY OF ALCESTER
Daniel Haeder, Mayor

ATTEST:
Patricia Jurrens, Finance Officer