

## SPECIAL MEETING OF THE ALCESTER CITY COUNCIL

The Alcester City Council held a Special City Council Meeting on Monday, May 18, 2020. Mayor Pro Tem Dave Larsen called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm with the following Council members present: Melissa Kay, Darla Reppe, Linda Talbott, and Dan Haeder. Also present during the meeting were Patricia Jurrens, Sam Nelson, Wanda Halverson, Lonnie & Riley Johnson, Vickie Larsen, Gordon Richard, Kendra Jensen, Elizabeth Hallaway, Bayleigh Peterson, Brian Haak, and Maddy Haak. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Vickie Larsen requested a point of interest to address the City Council by reading SDCL to the Council.

After council discussion – Dan Haeder made a motion to approve the agenda by eliminating the Vacancy and Council Officer election items. Linda Talbott seconded it. Kay, Talbott, Haeder and Larsen voted aye, Reppe voted nay.

Melissa Kay made a motion to approve Dave Larsen, Dan Haeder as authorized signatories on all accounts & safety deposit boxes for the City of Alcester held at Premier Bank; Linda Talbott seconded it. Kay, Reppe, Talbott, Larsen and Haeder voted aye.

Dan Haeder made a motion to approve the Credit Card Charge Limits to \$5,500 (Jurrens, Christie, Johnson, Pearson limit at \$1,000 each and Halverson, Norling and Schuller at \$500 each); Melissa Kay seconded it. Kay, Reppe, Talbott, Larsen and Haeder voted aye.

For Public Input Vickie Larsen wanted confirmation of Credit Card Charge limits. This concluded Public Input.

The Council discussed opening the Swimming Pool, Park Restrooms and Park Shelter amid the COVID Pandemic. Pat Jurrens and Wanda Halverson had previously met with the lifeguards to get their feelings on the COVID virus and working at the pool. Also – a survey was posted on the Swimming Pool Facebook Page and Alcester Marketplace Page to obtain a feeling from the pool patrons. Pat Jurrens presented the poll results: 131 people took the survey. For each of the four questions – the community was overwhelmingly in favor of opening the pool. The final question on the survey was asking the public for any additional comments they wanted the City Council to hear before making their decision. Kendra Jensen then addressed the Council with the results of the Lifeguard Meeting and answered several questions from the Council. After much deliberation – the Council agreed it was in the best interest of the community to offer the children an outlet for exercise and fresh air by opening the pool. There will be restrictions with respect to the number of patrons in the pool at any one time. There will also be different hours observed this year to take advantage of the hotter part of the day – where the pool traffic is heaviest. The Park Restrooms will open June 1, 2020; a notice placed in the restrooms that they will be sanitized once a day and to be used at your own discretion. At this time – the closed park shelter will remain locked but the open park shelter is available.

Darla Reppe made a motion to hire Michael Croy as the Golf Course Clubhouse Manager at a rate of \$12.50 per hour; Dan Haeder seconded it. Kay, Reppe, Talbott, Larsen and Haeder voted aye.

For Legal Updates – Dan Haeder made a motion to approve the First Reading of Ordinance No 2020-06, *An Ordinance Amending Section 1.0202, Regular Meetings, of Chapter 1.02 of the Revised Municipal Ordinances of the City of Alcester*; Linda Talbott seconded it. Kay, Reppe, Talbott, Larsen and Haeder voted aye.

The Planning & Zoning Commission will hold a Public Hearing on June 1, 2020 to explain the planned development district for adoption. Melissa Kay made a motion to set the Planning

& Zoning Commission Public Hearing, Monday, June 1, 2020 at 7 pm at the Alcester Community Building; Linda Talbott seconded it. Kay, Reppe, Talbott, Larsen and Haeder voted aye.

No Executive Session was needed.

Melissa Kay made a motion to adjourn, Darla Reppe seconded it. All voted aye. Meeting adjourned at 7:11 pm.

The following are the 2020 Salaries (per hour): Croy, Michael-\$12.50.

CITY OF ALCESTER  
David Larsen, Mayor Pro-Tem

ATTEST:  
Patricia Jurrens, Finance Officer