

MINUTE RECORD FOR CITY OF ALMA
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
April 2, 2025

A meeting of the City Council of the City of Alma, Nebraska was held at City Hall on Wednesday, the 2nd of April 2025, at 5:30 p.m.

Present was Council Members: Larry Casper, Dyann Collins, Tom Moulton, Joel Wheeler, and Mayor Hal Haeker, Administrator Steve Ardiana, City Attorney Doug Walker, Treasurer Tashia Butterfield, and Clerk Janet Dietz, Utility Superintendent Russ Pfeil, and Kent Fleischmann. Notification of this meeting and the agenda was given in advance by posting, a designated method for giving notice. Advance notice of the meeting and the agenda were given to the Mayor and all members of the City Council. All proceedings hereinafter were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Mayor Haeker advised the public of the Open Meetings Act which is posted on the east wall of the meeting room, and then proceeded to call the regular meeting of April 2nd, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. and the following business was transacted:

Roll call: Tom Moulton-present, Larry Casper-present, Joel Wheeler-present, Dyann Collins, present and Mayor Haeker-present. Motion made by Casper, second by Moulton to determine this meeting as previously publicized, duly convened and in open session. There being no further discussion upon the motion made and upon roll call vote, the following voted yes: Casper, Moulton, Wheeler, and Collins. Voting no: None. Motion carried.

Mayor opened the floor to approve the minutes of March 19, 2025, regular council meeting. Council Member Casper requested the Clerk to amend the roll call vote on adjournment of meeting correcting Wheeler, not Tripe. Motion made by Moulton second by Collins to accept the amended minutes of March 19, 2025, regular council meeting. There being no further discussion upon the motion made and upon roll call vote, the following voted yes: Moulton , Collins, Wheeler, and Casper. Voting no: None. Motion carried.

Mayor opened the floor to discuss the claims and invoices for period March 20, 2025, through April 2, 2025, for a total of \$113,208.92. Motion by Moulton, second by Casper to approve the claims and invoices for period March 20, 2025, through April 2, 2025, for a total of \$113,208.92. There being no further discussion upon the motion made and upon roll call vote, the following voted yes: Moulton, Wheeler, Collins, and Casper. Voting no: None. Motion carried.

Mayor opened the floor to discuss the Treasurer's report. Motion by Casper, second by Collins to accept the Treasurer's report as presented.(gas and water revenue, interest and disconnecting fees discussed) There being no further discussion upon the motion made and upon roll call vote, the following voted yes: Casper, Collins, Moulton, and Wheeler. Voting no: None. Motion carried.

Mayor opened the floor to discuss the hiring of Miller & Associates for updating the Corp of Engineers lease, correcting the legal description associated with the City lift station, and lagoons. Current legal description is insufficient, (lease has expired, and fees are not to exceed \$2,500.00) Motion made by Casper, second by Collins, to approve the contract with Miller and Associated to correct the legal description to satisfy Corp of Engineers, not to exceed \$2,500.00. There being no further discussion upon the motion made and upon roll call vote, the following voted yes, Casper , Collins, Wheeler, and Moulton. Motion carried.

Mayor opened the floor to discuss the Health Care Plan Section 125 Cafeteria Plan Renewal. Plan will allow for current employees to pay for health care pre-tax with an effective date of June 1, 2025. Motion made by Moulton, second by Wheeler to approve. There being no further discussion open the motion made and upon roll call vote, the following voted yes, Moulton, Wheeler, Collins, and Casper. Motion carried.

Mayor opened the floor to discuss the Property Insurance Renewal with Waggoner Insurance of Alma. (wind, hail, and property) April 1st, 2025. Renewal increased \$15,000, with a \$25,000 deductible with a \$4,800 buydown. Discussion was held on taking bids, having agenda items documents in the current council packet for review for Council. Motion made by Casper, second by Moulton to approve. There being no further discussion upon the motion made, the following votes yes, Casper, Moulton, Collins, Wheeler abstained, (due to absence of documentation). Motion carried.

Mayor Haeker opened the floor to discuss/approve the amended vacation policy, (full time staff, anniversary dates, and accrual) permitting city employees serving on local volunteer fire depts to respond emergency calls with approval. Health Savings Account will be addresses separate. Motion made by Moulton, second by Wheeler to approve. There being no further discussion upon the motion made and upon roll call vote, the following voted yes, Moulton, Wheeler, Collins, and Casper. Motion carried.

Mayor opened the floor to discuss/approve Federal Share Summary-Airport Progress Estimate Project #3-31-004, Alma Municipal Airport. Invoice is for Alma Storm Sewer Hanger, professional services rendered through February 1, 2025, \$ 14,893.05 with a 90/10 % reimbursement. Motion made by Wheeler, second by Moulton to approve. There being no further discussion upon the motion made and upon roll call vote, the following voted yes: Wheeler, Moulton, Collins, and Casper. Voting no: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Haeker opened the floor to City Administrator Steve Ardiana for his reports. City Auditorium roof is complete and watertight. Bids for Mold remediation are out and will be opened April 16th, 2025. Discussion was held on modification to the floor plans of the City Auditorium remodel including, kitchen in existing area, both sewer lines are compromised, leading to improper draining, relocating men's, and women's restrooms. Having an open house for the public to see the future project when completed. Ballfield discussion is to internally demo the current concession stand, remove mold, add exhaust fans, lights, update restroom. Cost is approximately \$19,998, to be completed by the Sorensen Group.

Motion by Moulton, second by Casper to adjourn the meeting at 6:42 p.m. There being no further discussion upon the motion made and upon roll call vote, the following voted yes: Moulton, Casper, Collins, and Wheeler Voting no: None. Meeting was adjourned at 6:42 p.m.


Hal Haeker, Mayor

I the undersigned Clerk hereby certify that the forgoing is a true and correct copy of the proceedings had and done by the Mayor and Council; that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the Clerk; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to said meeting; that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by members of the public; that the said minutes were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification concerning meetings of said body were provided advanced notification of the time place and of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting.



Janet Dietz, City Clerk



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