

**August 8, 2013**

**COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS**

**6:00 p.m.**

Mayor Robert Scow called the regular monthly meeting of the Common Council of the City of Alma to order.

Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Clerk Linda Torgerson took roll call with the following members present: Mayor Robert Scow, Robert J. Oium, Gary Ruff, Monica Moham, Larry Farl, Mary Johnson, Leighton (Jim) Wilkie and David Earney.

Motion by Oium seconded by Ruff to approve the July 11, 2013 Public Hearing minutes as presented. All members voting yes.

Motion by Ruff seconded by Moham to approve the July 11, 2013 Council Proceeding minutes as presented. All members voting yes.

Motion by Oium seconded by Farl to approve the July 2013 Financial Report as presented. All members voting yes by roll call vote.

Wilkie informed the Council that the City spent \$4,000 on repairs for city owned vehicles and stated that he will be compiling a report on the costs per vehicle in the near future.

Motion by Oium seconded by Farl to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. All members voting yes.

Citizen comments:

Dennis Youngbauer, Town of Nelson resident, wanted the City Council to be aware of the poor condition of Badland Road. The City of Alma and the Town of Nelson shares Badland Road. The City of Alma portion does not serve a residence.

Youngbauer invited the Council to take a drive on Badland Road and be aware of potholes to be fixed, brushing needing to be done and a crooked sign. Youngbauer stated that he is aware of the budget concerns by both municipalities and the want to repair the road when the Town of Nelson does their portion. Youngbauer thanked the Council for their time and consideration to this matter.

Mayor Scow thanked Youngbauer for his concerns and turned this matter over to the Utilities Committee.

Gary Hardtke, Lockport Marine, addressed the council regarding the need to have 2 handicap parking spaces for compliance with his grant for the marina's pump out system.

Hardtke further informed the Council those recent repairs done to the handicap railing at the dock at the marina needs to be changed because it is a hazard for boats because it sticks out approximately 2".

Mayor Scow referred this matter back to the Parks and Recreation Committee for resolution.

### **UTILITIES COMMITTEE**

Wilkie informed the Council that the advertisement for bids for the Elm Street project has been done. Wilkie stated that the railings for the Elm Street project will be of galvanized.

Wilkie stated that the replacement pump for Lift Station #5 has been ordered and the installation price for the pump is \$5,700.00.

Motion by Oium seconded by Ruff to approve the Utilities Committee report as presented. All members voting yes.

### **AMBULANCE LIAISON**

Gary Ruff stated that the ambulance service is still having problems covering daytime calls, but they are working on this situation.

Motion by Wilkie seconded by Farl to approve the Ambulance Liaison report as presented. All members voting yes.

### **FINANCE/TAX & LICENSE COMMITTEE**

Motion by Oium seconded by Ruff to approve a 3-Day Beer License to Top Hat Softball Club. All members voting yes.

Oium made a motion to delete the covenants for Shawnee Estates and to draft similar covenants such as Alma Hills Subdivision. Moham second the motion and discussion was held.

After discussion, Oium and Moham withdrew their motion and the covenants for Shawnee Estates went back to the committee for review and recommendation.

Motion by Oium seconded by Farl to approve the following Operator Licenses: Stacy Fuhrer, Jane Werner, Santana Secrist and Shauna Speedling. All members voting yes.

Motion by Oium seconded by Moham to go into CLOSED SESSION under exemptions set under Wis. Stats. 19.85 (1) (g) conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advise concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation to which it is or is likely to become involved and under Wis. Stats. 19.85 (1)( e) Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. All members voting yes.

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Ouim seconded by Ruff to reconvene into Open Session. All members voting yes.

Motion by Wilkie seconded by Farl to approve the Finance/Tax & License Committee report as presented. All members voting yes.

Mayor comments:

Scow encouraged committees to begin working on budgets.

Upcoming meetings:

Finance - August 12, 2013 at 10 a.m.

Next Council - September 5, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.

Motion by Oium seconded by Wilkie to adjourn. All members voting yes.