

March 9, 2017

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

6:00 P.M.

Mayor Jim Wilkie 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 the roll call with the following members present: Mayor Jim Wilkie, Corey Hanson, Gary Ruff, Monica Moham, Larry Farl, Mary Johnson and Matt Olson. Absent: David Earney.

Motion by Ruff seconded by Olson to approve the February 9, 2017 Council Proceeding minutes as presented. All members voting yes.

Motion by Ruff seconded by Olson to approve the February 2017 Financial Report as presented. All members voting yes by roll call vote.

Motion by Moham seconded by Olson to approve the February 2017 Treasurer's Report as presented. All members voting yes.

Citizen comments:

Ron Geiselhart introduced himself to the Council as write-in candidate for the First Ward position. Geiselhart said that he is involved in community organizations and would like to serve as alderman.

FINANCE/TAX & LICENSE/ZONING COMMITTEE

Chairman Gary Ruff informed the Council that the committee had met this morning and acted upon the following:

- Approved all vouchers, bills and receipts
- Recommended approval of an Operator License to Amber Kramschuster
- Recommended approval of a Mobile Home Park permit to Keith Mississippi Properties
- Discussed ambulance garage
- Erosion of city farm
- Building permit violation-Kathy Goodman – Blue Door Inn

Motion by Ruff seconded by Olson to grant an Operator License to Amber Kramschuster. All members voting yes.

Motion by Ruff seconded by Olson to approve a mobile home park permit to Keith Mississippi Properties. All members voting yes.

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

Monica Moham stated to the Council that she really like the article in the Municipality Magazine regarding sewer charges and suggested that a copy be put in the billings sent out. Linda will send a copy with the sewer and water bills for the customers.

PARK & RECREATION COMMITTEE

Chairman Larry Farl informed the Council that the committee had met February 22, 2017 regarding the following:

- Fishing tournament applications-the committee approved two (2) fishing tournament applications submitted by Greg Kizewski for June 3, 2017 out of the Marina Landing and August 13, 2017 from South Landing.
- Dog walking stations. They would be ordered soon.
- Shoreline Maintenance at Harbor and Beach/Harbor Road.
- Linda will research the necessary permits needed and will report back.
- Beach program for 2017. Corey Hanson suggested since there will be no swimming program at the beach, the City could pay some toward swimming lessons for the school students either at Cochrane or Wabasha.
- City trails. Mayor Jim Wilkie stated that the Countryside Coop. project is stalled with the Engineering contract.
- Flyway Trail. Mayor Wilkie reported that Dairyland Power has given their blessing to use their property for the Flyway Trail.
- Parks and Shelter Roof. Authorization was given by the committee to the city crew to replace the roofs at the pavilions and kitchen at Rieck's Lake Park, not to exceed \$4,900.00.
- Little League. Corey Hanson stated that the Little League Program will be different this year. He will report more information at the next meeting.
- Erosion at Rieck's Lake Park campground was discussed and it was suggested to get some input regarding this matter.

Mayor Wilkie informed the Council that the trail guide will be hear in March or early April. Larry Farl requested that he like to go with the trail guide when he comes.

Motion by Hanson seconded by Olson to approve the Parks & Recreation committee report.

Gary Ruff informed the Council that the Fire Department is having trouble with the MABAS (equipment call program) and it may have to be done. Ruff invited everyone to the Fireman's Chili Feed on Sunday, March 19th.

Mayor Wilkie stated that the property line between the Countryside Coop and the BNSF Railroad has to be determined.

Upcoming meetings:

- April 11, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.-----Council
- April 11, 2017 at 8:30 a.m.-----Finance
- April 18, 2017 at 5:00 p.m.-----Re-Organization
- March 31, 2017 at 9:00 a.m.-----Tourism

Motion by Ruff seconded by Olson to adjourn. All members voting yes.