

October 11, 2012

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

5:00 P.M.

Mayor Robert Scow called the Special Council meeting of the Common Council of the City of Alma to order. The meeting was called to meet with DNR Representatives and City Legal Counsel regarding the Buffalo River/Beef Slough Dredging project status.

Council members present: Mayor Robert Scow, Robert J. Oium, Gary Ruff, Monica Moham, Larry Farl, Mary Johnson and David Earney. Absent: Leighton (Jim) Wilkie.

Present from the WI DNR: Bruce Neeb and Dan Baumann.

Motion by Ruff seconded by Johnson to convene 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. All members voting yes.

CLOSED SESSION

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

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

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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 and David Earney. Absent: Leighton (Jim) Wilkie.

Motion by Ruff seconded by Johnson to approve the September 6, 2012 Council Proceeding minutes as presented. All members voting yes.

Motion by Moham seconded by Farl to approve the Special Council meeting minutes of September 20, 2012 as presented. All members voting yes.

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

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

No citizens were present for comments.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Chairman Robert Oium informed the Council that the committee had met earlier in the day and approved all vouchers, bills and receipts.

Revenue figures are still unavailable, however, once they arrive the proposed budget will be reviewed, Oium stated.

Motion by Oium seconded by Farl to approve an Operator License to Melissa Miller. All members voting yes.

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

UTILITIES COMMITTEE

In chairman Wilkie's absence, Gary Ruff reported the following:

- Sidewalk replacement has been done in the needed areas
- Storm drain on Sunset Drive is complete
- Handicap ramp at the museum and driveway are near completion
- Guardrails and signage are done on Riverview Drive

Discussion was held regarding the culvert and road repair at the Richard Champeny residence on Riverview Drive.

Ruff stated that there is a problem with the existing culvert at the present time.

Oium stated that there should be something in writing, such as an agreement or contract, which states that Champeny will be responsible for the additional culvert he is requesting on his property.

Motion by Oium seconded by Moham to table the road and culvert work on Riverview Drive by Champeny's residence until further information and research is done. All members voting yes.

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

SERVICES COMMITTEE

Chairman Gary Ruff informed the Council that the committee had met on September 12th and September 20th. The committee approved the hiring of Todd Ritscher as the City of Alma's Chief of Police.

Ruff informed the Council that the committee will be meeting regarding the recycling program and be inviting the representative from Waste Transport.

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

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Chairman Larry Farl informed the Council that the committee had met October 3, 2012. The committee received the season end reports from Bob Major-Little League and Bobbi Sedlmayr-Beach manager. Bobbi Sedlmayr has requested that the Council consider wages of \$12,000 for the beach program as it had done in previous years.

Farl informed the Council that the committee accepted a winter boat storage fee from Gary Hardtke-Lockport Marine in the amount of \$1,000.00. The committee will be reviewing this for next year. Farl stated that the marina charged the beach program and the city for any assistance they gave this year, resulting in more than the \$1,000 collected from the winter boat storage fee.

Motion by Oium seconded by Ruff to approve the Parks and Recreation committee report as presented. All members voting yes.

AMBULANCE

Mayor Scow informed the Council that Donald J. Ganz, requested prior to his death, to recommend the appointment of Toby Jahnke to the Ambulance Board taking his place on the board.

Motion by Oium seconded by Ruff to approve the appointment of Toby Jahnke to the Ambulance Board to cover the unexpired term of Donald J. Ganz. All members voting yes.

LIBRARY LIAISON

Farl informed the Council that the Library Board met regarding the 2013 budget.

Mayor's comments:

- Welcomed Todd Ritscher, present, as the City of Alma's Chief of Police

- Requested that Foreman Debra Burce and Chief Ritscher get together and determine the locations for the digital speed sign so that the paperwork can be completed to the DOT for the needed permits
- Thanked the Council for the good work they have done on completing their budgets

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

Meeting adjourned 6:40 p.m.