

June 7, 2018

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 roll call with the following members present: Mayor Jim Wilkie, Richard Champeny, Gary Ruff, Monica Moham, Larry Farl, Ron Geiselhart. (David Earney arrived later) Absent: Mary Johnson.

Motion by Ruff seconded by Champeny to approve the May 7, 2018 Council Proceeding minutes as presented. All members voting yes.

Motion by Ruff seconded by Moham to approve the May 2018 Financial Report as presented. All members voting yes by roll call vote.

Motion by Farl seconded by Ruff to approve the May 2018 Treasurer's Report as presented. All members voting yes.

Citizens comments. None.

UTILITIES COMMITTEE

Chairman Ron Geiselhart met May 21, 2018 at 12:00 p.m. (noon) and acted upon the following:

- High School Road resurfacing/reconstruction bid opening.

Chairman Ron Geiselhart opened the bids with the following results for High School Road:

Oium Blacktop total bid-----\$70,297.20
Dunn Blacktop total bid-----\$95,966.60

Superintendent Steve Sedlmayr opened the bids for the resurfacing/reconstruction of the Alma High School parking lot with the following results:

Oium Blacktop total bid-----\$84,469.00
Dunn Blacktop total bid-----\$112,159.00

Motion by Geiselhart seconded by Ruff to approve the bid of \$70,297.20 for the resurfacing/reconstruction of High School Road to Oium Blacktop. All members voting yes by roll call vote.

- Intersection of Pine and Hwy 35 traffic control.

Ron Geiselhart informed the Council that he had met with Monica Moham and came up with the following:

- Make Pine Street a one-way street;
- Add a convex mirror onto the building at 200 S. Main;
- Add signage;
- Wait and attend the Highway Safety meeting in July for other ideas.

Ron informed the committee that he rode along with a sheriff's deputy for some solutions to this issue and no one solution stuck out better than the other.

Discussion was held with no resolution. Ron will be attending the Highway Safety meeting in July.

- Other possible road projects pending impact of High School Road project.

Discussion regarding Cedar Street resurfacing was held, and the committee instructed Linda to advertise for the resurfacing of Cedar Street as soon as possible.

Dave Earney informed the committee that Buena Vista Road needs to be seal coated in the near future.

- Block corner surveys.

Linda informed the committee that she has chosen 10 blocks, however, wants to meet with Mayor Wilkie for finalization of the blocks to send to Burt Surveying for a quote.

- Well#1 pulling and restoration update.

Geiselhart stated that Well #1 is up and running.

- Reservoir inspection update.

Cal informed the committee that this is on the schedule to be done, Geiselhart commented.

- Discharge pipe by South Landing update.

Geiselhart stated that Cal is working with Shawn Welte of Davy Engineering and the DNR to come up with a discharge pipe that meets DNR regulations.

- Property Maintenance Issues.

Chairman Ron Geiselhart stated he will be working with Mike Johnson, Chief of Police in fine tuning the list he provided at the committee meeting.

Geiselhart stated that the wall at the John Elliott property, 600 S. 2nd Street, was also discussed. John had informed Ron that the portion of the wall that had fallen would not be replaced, however, the ground would be sloped.

The Council reviewed the annual Compliance Maintenance Annual Resolution.

Motion by Farl seconded by Moham to adopt the following Resolution #18-04 (CMAR Resolution) as presented:

Name of Governing Body or Owner:
CITY OF ALMA

Date of Resolution or Action Taken: 06/07/2018

Resolution Number: 18-04

Date of Submittal: 06/07/2018

ACTIONS SET FORTH BY THE GOVERNING BODY OR OWNER RELATING TO SPECIFIC
CMAR
SECTIONS (Optional for grade A or B. Required for grade C, D, or F): Influent
Flow and Loadings: Grade = A

	Effluent Quality: BOD: Grade = A	
	Effluent Quality: TSS: Grade = A	
	Biosolids Quality and Management: Grade = A	
	Staffing: Grade = A	
	Operator Certification: Grade = A	
	Financial Management: Grade = A	

Collection Systems: Grade = A (Regardless of grade, response required for Collection Systems if SSOs were reported)		
ACTIONS SET FORTH BY THE GOVERNING BODY OR OWNER RELATING TO THE OVERALL GRADE POINT AVERAGE AND ANY GENERAL COMMENTS (Optional for G.P.A. greater than or equal to 3.00, required for G.P.A. less than 3.00) G.P.A. = 3.79		

All members voting yes.

The next meeting of the Utilities Committee will be Wednesday, June 20, 2018 at noon.

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

SERVICES COMMITTEE

Chairman Monica Moham informed the Council that the committee had met on May 30, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. and discussed the following:

- Cemetery concerns.

Monica wanted to express the great condition the cemeteries were in for the Memorial Day weekend and complimented the city crew on all the work they have been doing.

- Fire Department concerns.

Fire Chief Tom Brakke informed the committee that during a scheduled inspection of the pumps on the fire trucks, Engine 313 had issues. Brakke explained that there are intake valves that are broken, due to freezing. Chief Brakke stated to the committee that he could not explain why the valves froze since they are drained after returning to the firehouse.

Moham commented that the committee approved the Mayor to authorize repairs to Engine 313 up to \$15,000.00.

Committee member, Ron Geiselhart, informed the Council that he had attended the Fire Meeting and informed the Council that the Fire Department will be burning a couple homes in Nelson for training purposes and are seeking sonar for the rescue boat and a trailer for the 4-wheeler as part of the department's wish list.

- Police concerns.

Monica Moham commented that speed concerns have been brought to her attention by her constituents along with the parking issues.

Police Chief Mike Johnson commented that the speed sign could be placed on a trailer and more readily moved from place to place as necessary. Chief Johnson will obtain prices for the trailers and report back.

Mayor Wilkie expressed his concern of long term violators of the parking ordinances.

- Solid Waste concerns.

Ron Geiselhart inquired about blacktopping the area at the landfill in front of the recycling shed.

- Siren update.

Mayor Wilkie informed the Council that the siren will be installed on Monday, June 11th.

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

FINANCE/TAX & LICENSE/ZONING COMMITTEE

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

- Vouchers/bills.

The committee reviewed and approved all vouchers, bills and receipts as presented, Ruff stated.

Chairman Ruff informed the Council that there were no Building permit applications or violations to act upon.

- Museum retaining wall repair.

Mayor Jim Wilkie presented the committee with photographs of the collapsed areas of the wall behind the museum at 505 S. 2nd Street. He further stated that in the middle of the wall it is bowing. Mayor Wilkie had spoken with Harlie from Stockholm gardens and had received an estimate of the repairs needed. For the north and south ends of the wall, the repair cost is \$3,250. For the repair of the bulging area of the wall with a short wall and fill along the wall, the cost is \$975.00. The committee approved the repairs to the wall as presented, Geiselhart stated.

- Operator Licenses.

Motion by Ruff seconded by Champeny to approve Operator License applications #1 through #67 as presented:

#	Name	Address
		KWIKTRIP
1	DANIEL J. BURCE	710 N. 2nd Street, Alma, WI 54610
2	LYNDA S. CARSTENBROCK	48 E 9th Street, Buffalo City, WI 54622
3	COLLEEN V. DAHL	S1220 State Hwy 37, Alma, WI 54610
4	SONYA K EBERSOLD	513 North Main Street, Alma, WI 54610
5	CHERYL A. FERNANDEZ	257 W. 21st Street, Buffalo City, WI 54622
6	MELODY D. GRIFFITH	S1555 County Road I, Lot 1, Alma, WI 54610
7	SUSAN A. HENRY	40 E 6TH Street, Buffalo City, WI 54622
8	ALIVIA M. HELLER	207 N. Burlington Street, Cochrane, WI 54622
9	HAYLEY A. AUSETH	W1290 County Road E, Alma, WI 54610
10	JACOB L LA DUKE	1825 N. River Road, Buffalo City, WI 54622
11	SARAH L. LANGHORST	412 Vista Drive, Alma, WI 54610
12	BRENDA J LOESEL	S1381 Cty Rd XX, Alma, WI 54610
13	SAMUEL L MUELLER	701 North 2nd Street, Alma, WI 54610
14	SHARAYA M. REED	S2044 Grandview Road, Alma, WI 54610
15	SHARON M. RIECK	S1632 State Road 35, Alma, WI 54610
16	MARGIE O. TORGERSON	911 South 2nd Street, Alma, WI 54610
17	CRYSTAL BAUER-WIECZOREK	302 S. Main Street, Apt. 312, Alma, WI 54610
		ALMA HOTEL
18	HEATHER COMERO	W1670 County Road S, Alma, WI 54610
19	RICK A. DASCHER	307 S. Main St., Cochrane, WI 54622
20	STEPHANIE M. GRANER	105 Orange Street, Alma, WI 54610
21	LOREN R. MUELLER	701 N. 2nd Street, Alma, WI 54610
22	CAROL SCHWANKE	W1371 Blank Hill Road, Alma, WI 54610
		RED RAM SALOON
23	SANDRA A. HANSON	303 S. Second Street, Alma, WI 54610
24	TABITHA BLANK	P.O. Box 264, Alma, WI 54610
		DANZINGER VINEYARDS
25	LYNN M. BENNETT	52A Links Lane, Apt. 105, Winona, MN 55987
26	DAVID JOHN DANZINGER	W152 County Road E, Alma, WI 54610
27	SARAH L. DANZINGER	W1503 County Road E, Alma, WI 54610
28	JULIE L GOELDNER	W1839 County Road S, Alma, WI 54610

29	MELANIE M. MC QUISTON	W1564 County Road E, Alma, WI 54610
30	KAY A. MILLER	S1480 State Road 88, Alma, WI 54610
31	KARIJ WILDE	99 Wisconsin Avenue, Cochrane, WI 54622
32	KYRIE A. ZASTROW	554 South Theisen Street, Arcadia, WI 54612
		ALMA AMERICAN LEGION
33	DAVID J BAUTCH	807 South Main Street, P.O. Box 434, Alma, WI 54610
34	VERNONJLANGHORST	S1297 Deer Creek Road, Nelson, WI 54756
35	CHARLES H. MICHAELS	W1003 Oak Valley Road, Fountain City, WI 54629
		ALMA ROD & GUN CLUB
36	AMYS. BAKER	W1833 County Road S, Alma, WI 54610
37	DONNA BAKER	P.O. Box 401, 100 N. 2nd Street, Alma, WI 54610
38	TRAVIS J BURCE	207 N. Burlington Street, Cochrane, WI 54622
39	CARL W. DAHL JR	S1845 County Road XX, Alma, WI 54610
40	DONALD JAY GANZ	S1522 Co. Road I, Alma, WI 54610
41	GREGORY S. GREEN	S1452 County Road I, Alma, WI 54610
42	LEE W. SALISBURY	310 S. Main Street, Alma, WI 54610
43	THOMAS H SCHULTZ	P.O. Box 174, Alma, WI 54610
44	ROBERT J. STEWART	297 Sunset Dr., Alma, WI 54610
45	CAROLYN THOMSEN	S1619 County Road XX, Alma, WI 54610
		HENDERSON'S SILVER MOON
46	MICHAEL D. HENDERSON	S1582 State Road 35, Alma, WI 54610
		DAM VIEW BAR
47	COLE A. STEVENS	P.O. Box 474, Alma, WI 54610
48	JANINE E. STEVENS	415 N. Main Street, Alma, WI 54610
		BILL'S TALK OF THE TOWN
49	MERIDITH A THORNTON	12915 Derby Road, Lemont, IL 60439
		THE BURLINGTON HOTEL LLC
50	KATHI A. KORUM	809 North Main Street, Alma, WI 54610

		EMPIRE INVESTMENTS LLC
51	VALERIE GILFILLAN	215 N Main Street, Apt 1, Alma, WI 54610
52	DANIEL G. KORDIAK	1095 13th Avenue SE, MPLS, MN 55414
		JULIE'S FIN & FEATHER
53	BAILEY J FAGERLAND	305 W. Main Street, P.O. Box 139, Nelson, WI 54756
54	LINDSEY MAE FROST	302 S. Main Street Apt 301, Alma, WI 54610
		KAUTENUITY LLC
55	SONYA K. EBERSOLD	513 North Main Street, Alma, WI 54610
56	ALDONA MARIE PALMER	120 Poeden Place, Mondovi, WI 54755
		INDIVIDUAL NON-DESIGNATED
57	JACQUELINE M. BROWNELL	S1914 State Road 88, Alma, WI 54610
58	JAMES J. DUVALL	1245 Riverview Drive, Alma, WI 54610
59	RICKY HAGER	P.O. Box 91, Alma, WI 54610
60	KATI E HANSON	316 Vista Drive, Alma, WI 54610
61	DAKODAH D. HARTWIG	402 S. Main Street, Cochrane, WI 54622
62	DREW H. IBACH	S2270 State Road 35, Cochrane, WI 54622
63	ELISABET S. IBACH	S2270 State Road 35, Cochrane, WI 54622
64	MICHAEL E KAUTEN	S1301 County Road F, Alma, WI 54610
65	BONNIE L. OTTUM	110 S. Main Street, Apt. 5, Alma, WI 54610
66	BONNADINE M. OTTUM	401 N. Main Street, Alma, WI 54610
67	JUDITH C GOELDNER	1160 Riverview Drive, Alma, WI 54610

All members voting yes.

- Beer & Liquor Licenses for the 2018-2019 year.

Motion by Ruff seconded by Earney to approve the following combination Class “A” License applications as presented:

Alma General Store, LLC–William Allen Hedberg, 100 N. Main St.
 Kwik Trip, Inc., Brenda Loesel, agent, 601 N. Main St.
 Marsha Ann Przybylla, Trax Liquer, 200 S. Main St.

All members voting yes.

Motion by Ruff seconded by Champeny to approve the following Combination Class “B” License applications as presented:

American Legion Post #224, David Danzinger, Agent, 501 N Main St.

Julie Ann Fagerland, Julie's Fin & Feather, 211 N Main St
Gregory A. Stevens, Dam View Bar, 415 N Main St
JLS Hospitality, LLC-Jerri L. Schreiber, agent 201 N Main St.
Tansy's on Main, LLC-Steven Hornberg, agent, 115 N. Main St.
Michael D. Henderson, Henderson's Silver Moon, S1582 STH 35
The Burlington Hotel, LLC, Kathi Korum, agent, 809 N Main St
The Red Ram, LLC-Lee Fluekiger, agent, 207 N. Main St
Bill's Talk of the Town, LLC – Drew Ibach, agent, 107 N. Main Street
Empire Investments, LLC-Julie Lindstrom, agent, 215 North Main St.

All members voting yes.

Motion by Ruff seconded by Moham to approve the following “Class B” Winery License and Class “B” Beer License application as presented:

Danzinger Vineyards, LLC – Penny Danzinger, agent, S2015 Grapeview Lane

All members voting yes.

Motion by Ruff seconded by Geiselhart to approve the following Class “B” Fermented Malt License-On Premise Only applications as presented:

Alma Rod & Gun Club, Darrold Abts-agent, 1562 CTH "I"
Kautenuity, LLC-Marie Kauten, agent, Pier 4, 600 N Main St
WWBIG, LLC, Irene Wolf, agent, 121 S. Main Street

All members voting yes.

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

Mayor Wilkie presented Resolution 18-01:

International Migratory Bird Day

RESOLUTION #18-01

- **Whereas**, migratory birds are some of the most beautiful and easily observed wildlife that share our communities, *and*

- **Whereas**, many citizens recognize and welcome migratory songbirds as symbolic harbingers of spring, *and*
- **Whereas**, these migrant species also play an important economic role in our community, controlling insect pests and generating millions in recreational dollars statewide, *and*
- **Whereas**, migratory birds and their habitats are declining throughout the Americas, facing a growing number of threats on their migration routes and in both their summer and winter homes, *and*
- **Whereas**, public awareness and concern are crucial components of migratory bird conservation, *and*
- **Whereas**, citizens enthusiastic about birds, informed about the threats they face, and empowered to help address those threats can directly contribute to maintaining health bird populations, *and*
- **Whereas**, since 1993 International Migratory Bird Day (IMBD) has become a primary vehicle for focusing public attention on the nearly 350 species that travel between nesting habitats in our communities and throughout North America and their wintering grounds in South and Central America, Mexico, the Caribbean, and the southern U.S., *and*
- **Whereas**, hundreds of thousands of people will observe IMBD, gathering in town squares, community centers, schools, parks, nature centers, and wildlife refuges to learn about birds, take action to conserve them, and simply to have fun, *and*
- **Whereas**, while IMBD officially is held each year on the second Saturday in May, its observance is not limited to a single day, and planners are encouraged to schedule activities on the dates best suited to the presence of both migrants and celebrants, *and*
- **Whereas**, IMBD is not only a day to foster appreciation for wild birds and to celebrate and support migratory bird conservation, but also a call to action,

NOW THEREFORE I, Jim Wilkie, as Mayor of the City of Alma, Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim May 12, 2018 as

International Migratory Bird Day

in the City of Alma, Wisconsin and I urge all citizens to celebrate this observance and to support efforts to protect and conserve migratory birds and their habitats in our community and the world at large.

Dated this _____ day of _____ in the year _____

Signed _____

Title Mayor, City of Alma, Wisconsin

Motion by Champeny seconded by Farl to adopt Resolution #18-01 International Migratory Bird Day as presented. All members voting yes.

Mayor Wilkie presented Resolution #18-02:

RESOLUTION #18-02 – PERRY PRONSCHINSKE APPRECIATION

WHEREAS, Perry Pronschinske is a retired Deputy of the Buffalo County Sheriff’s Department with decades of experience and expertise in Law Enforcement, and

WHEREAS, Perry Pronschinske is a valued member of the City Crew of the City of Alma, and

WHEREAS, the City of Alma has relied on Perry Pronschinske as Administrative Chief of Police since April of 2017, and

WHEREAS, Perry Pronschinske did create and coordinate the expert search and selection committee for Chief of Police in 2017, and

WHEREAS, Perry Pronschinske did organize, inventory, and update the Alma City Hall office of Chief of Police in 2017, and

WHEREAS, Perry Pronschinske did maintain and keep current the records of the Alma Police Department while responding to official inquiry requests during that period, and

WHEREAS, Perry Pronschinske coordinated the background check process for Chief of Police candidates, and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and the Common Council of the City of Alma and all the City employees with whom he has worked recognize Perry Pronschinske as a uniquely dedicated colleague,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council of the City of Alma upon adoption of this Resolution on this 7th day of June 2018 acknowledges the dedication and continuing service of Perry Pronschinske and conveys its appreciation for that service,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution become part of the Council’s proceedings and that a copy of this resolution, properly executed, be presented to Perry Pronschinske.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Wilkie, Mayor

ATTEST:

Linda M. Torgerson, City Clerk

Motion by Farl seconded by Ruff to adopt Resolution #18-02 Perry Pronschinske appreciation resolution as presented. All members voting yes.

Mayor Wilkie presented Resolution #18-03:

RESOLUTION #18-03 – LEO EISENHUTT MEMORIAL RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Leo Eisenhutt passed away on May 6th, 2018, and

WHEREAS, Leo Eisenhutt was an active member of the Alma community who dedicated time and effort to the City of Alma, and

WHEREAS, Leo Eisenhutt did serve with distinction as a member of the Common Council of the City of Alma for many terms, and

WHEREAS, Leo Eisenhutt did serve as member and chair the Parks and Recreation Committee while on the Council, and

WHEREAS, Leo Eisenhutt did serve as a member and later chairman of the Board of Appeals of the City of Alma, and

WHEREAS, Leo Eisenhutt did gain wide respect for his instrumental role in many improvements to the Alma community, and

WHEREAS, Leo Eisenhutt will be deeply missed by his family and friends, as well as by the entire community and the City of Alma, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Common Council of the City of Alma in official session this 7th day of June, 2018, by adoption of this resolution, recognizes the valuable services rendered to the City of Alma by Leo Eisenhutt, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution becomes a part of the Council Proceedings and that a copy of thereof be presented to his family.

Respectfully submitted:

Jim Wilkie, Mayor

ATTEST:

Linda M. Torgerson, City Clerk

Motion by Moham seconded by Farl to adopt Resolution #18-03 Leo Eisenhutt memorial resolution as presented. All members voting yes.

Mayor Wilkie announced that since the passing of Leo Eisenhutt, member of the Board of Appeals, a new member needs to be appointed. Mayor Wilkie is recommending Kevin Cassidy.

Motion by Ruff seconded by Champeny to approve the Mayor's appointment of Kevin Cassidy to the Board of Appeals. All members voting yes.

Mayor Wilkie welcomed the new Chief of Police, Mike Johnson who was present. Chief Johnson stated that he is happy to be working for the City of Alma. Chief Johnson stated that he has been working with the technology part of his job, introducing himself to citizens, the Buffalo County Sheriff's Department and County Courthouse employees.

The Council welcomed Mike Johnson as the new Chief of Police.

Motion by Farl seconded by Ruff to convene into CLOSED SESSION under exemptions set under Wis. Stats. 19.85 (1) (c) considering employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. All members voting yes.

CLOSED SESSION

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

Motion by Farl seconded by Moham to grant City Foreman Debra Burce a six-month leave of absence as requested. All members voting yes.

Motion by Moham seconded by Ruff to offer seasonal full-time employee Bernie Bartz a permanent full-time position with the City of Alma. All members voting yes.

Motion by Champeny seconded by Ruff to seek a part-time position for the city crew. All members voting yes.

Upcoming meetings:

Next Council will be Thursday, July 12, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

Finance will meet Thursday, July 12, 2018 at 8:30 a.m.

Utilities will meet Wednesday, June 20, 2018 at noon.

Motion by Champeny seconded by Farl to adjourn. All members voting yes.