

October 7, 2019

PUBLIC HEARING

5:45 P.M.

Mayor Jim Wilkie opened public hearing for the public regarding a Conditional use permit application submitted by Jarrad Fluekiger, 1246 Riverview Drive, Alma, WI to buy/sell rifles and handguns for personal and fundraising activities. This will not be a store location, only a pickup and drop off location for registering guns purchased. The property is zoned residential (R2) with a Conditional Use Permit for a motel at 240 N. STH 35 (Hillcrest Motel).

Jarrad Fluekiger, applicant, stated he was in favor of the Conditional Use Permit being granted.

Hearing no further testimony for or against the public hearing, Mayor Wilkie closed the public hearing.

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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, Larry Grisen, Ron Geiselhart and David Earney.

Motion by Ruff seconded by Champeny to approve the September 12, 2019 Public Hearing minutes for the Clive Pace Conditional Use Permit. All members voting yes.

Motion by Champeny seconded by Ruff to approve the September 12, 2019 Public Hearing minutes for the amendment to the one-way street ordinance to remove High School Road from the ordinance. All members voting yes.

Motion by Ruff seconded by Geiselhart to approve the September 12, 2019 Council Proceeding minutes as presented. All members voting yes.

Motion by Farl seconded by Moham to approve the September 2019 Financial Report as presented. All members voting yes by roll call vote.

Motion by Ruff seconded by Champeny to approve the September 2019 Treasurer's Report as presented. All members voting yes.

No citizens' comments.

FINANCE/TAX & LICENSE/ZONING COMMITTEE

Chairman Gary Ruff informed the Council that the committee had met at 1:00 p.m. today and discussed and/or acted upon the following:

- Building permit applications. None.
- Building permit violations. None.
- Health Insurance report.

Ruff informed the Council that the committee instructed Linda to vote to the consortium approval of Option 2, using 50% of the insurance premium reserve funds resulting in an 8% increase for 2020.

Mayor Wilkie stated that all the municipalities belonging to the consortium would be voting and it would be by a majority vote as to what plan and options for health insurance for 2020 is decided.

- Shawnee Estates. Nothing new to report.
- Operator Licenses. None.
- Vouchers/bills. The committee reviewed and approved all vouchers, bills and receipts as presented.
- Budgets for 2020.

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

UTILITIES COMMITTEE

Chairman Ron Geiselhart stated that the committee had met September 26, 2019.

Geiselhart informed the Council that most of the meeting was spent on the outfall pipe at South Landing and complying with the DNR at getting that done and the clarifier upgrade.

Dave Earney stated to Geiselhart to keep on the engineer so that the projects get done by the required time given from the DNR to complete them.

Mayor Wilkie informed the Council that 20,000 gallons of sludge was missing from the digester. No explanation as to where or how the gallons disappeared has been found. Foreman Joe Wick stated that it was a mystery at this point.

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

SERVICES COMMITTEE

Chairperson Monica Moham informed the Council that the committee had met on September 30th. One of the agenda items was Travis Burce to speak to the committee requesting a location for a dumpster for deer carcasses to prevent CWD. Moham stated that the committee recommended either a location at the city farm or South Landing and referred this matter to Council.

Travis Burce, member of the Buffalo County Conservation Alliance, spoke to the Council regarding a location to place a dumpster and informed them that he had spoken to the Alma Rod & Gun Club, however, they were not willing to have the dumpster at their location because they

rent the club out for events.

Travis stated that it will be a 10-yard dumpster, they will furnish the bags for the carcasses and the dumpsters will be lined. Burce stated that hopefully the smell will be under control.

Mayor Wilkie inquired if he had approached private landowners. Burce stated, no, that they would like the dumpsters centrally located where they could be easily accessed.

Foreman Joe Wick stated that it would not be a problem to have the dumpster at the South Landing.

Discussion was held.

Motion by Earney seconded by Farl to approve a dumpster at Alma South Landing for deer carcasses for CWD control measures on a trial basis for this gun/deer season with the city crew determining the exact location at South Landing. All members voting yes.

The Council thanked Travis Burce for his attendance and information.

Chairman Moham informed the Council that two of the four properties in need of maintenance are now going up for tax deeds to the County. Mayor Wilkie stated that the County will need to be notified of what has transpired with these properties at the City level prior to placing them up for Sheriff's Sale.

The Council received the police report for July through September from Chief Johnson as did the Services Committee. A new patch has been ordered for the police uniforms, Moham stated.

Moham commented that Police Chief Mike Johnson had attended a conference and had spoken to the committee about the increasing vaping epidemic.

Dave Earney complimented Police Chief Johnson on being involved with the current day concerns in our community.

Moham informed the Council that the last item the committee worked on was the 2020 budgets.

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

PARKS AND RECREATION

No report.

PLANNING COMMISSION

Chairman Mayor Jim Wilkie informed the Council that the Commission had met prior to the Council meeting and recommended approval of the Conditional Use Permit submitted by Jarrad

Fluekiger to buy/sell rifles and handguns for personal and fundraising activities with the following conditions:

1. No display of gun related signage on the property.
2. No display of firearms.
3. No more than six sales of transfers of firearms per month.
4. City may inspect gun transfer records every 6 months.
5. No ammunition sales on the property.
6. Firearm transactions limited to Jarrad Fluekiger only.

Motion by Farl seconded by Geiselhart to approve the Conditional Use Permit submitted by Jarrad Fluekiger to buy/sell rifles and handguns for personal and fundraising activities with the following conditions:

7. No display of gun related signage on the property.
8. No display of firearms.
9. No more than six sales of transfers of firearms per month.
10. City may inspect gun transfer records every 6 months.
11. No ammunition sales on the property.
12. Firearm transactions limited to Jarrad Fluekiger only.

All members voting yes.

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

HISTORICAL PRESERVATION ADVISORY COMMISSION

Motion by Farl seconded by Geiselhart to approve the Historical Preservation Advisory Commission meeting minutes as presented. All members voting yes.

BOARD OF APPEALS

Motion by Earney seconded by Ruff to approve the Board of Appeals minutes of September 26, 2019 as presented. All members voting yes.

Motion by Farl seconded by Geiselhart to approve the Perpetual Encroachment Easement for William Hedberg for his property at 710 South Second Street for the house, deck, shed, gazebo, etc. any structure encroaching on Iron Street. All members voting yes.

LIBRARY LIAISON

Ron Geiselhart reported that he had attended the Alma Public Library Board meeting. Geiselhart stated that the library is doing an amazing job and a lot of work goes into running the library smoothly. Geiselhart commented that the board is looking at purchasing another computer terminal in the near future.

Motion by Champeny seconded by Ruff to approve the Library Liaison report as presented. All members voting yes.

WISCONSIN UTILITIES TAX ASSOCIATION (WUTA)

Gary Ruff informed the Council that he had attended the WUTA meeting in Madison. Ruff stated that they are trying to get a per capita increase for the City of Alma and Two Creeks for monies received from the power plants.

Motion by Champeny seconded by Farl to approve the WUTA report as presented. All members voting yes.

Motion by Farl seconded by Ruff to approve the moving of outlay monies in the amount of \$5,000 from Tools Outlay to Street Outlay Equipment account. All members voting yes.

Mayor comments:

Mayor Wilkie stated that by the next meeting he will have a celebration of life planned for former councilperson Mary Johnson.

Upcoming meetings:

Parks and Recreation -----	October 10, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.
Utilities-----	October 17, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.
Finance/Tax & License/Zoning-----	November 14, 2019 at 8:30 a.m.
Council -----	November 14, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

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