

**May 7, 2020**

**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, Gary Jepsen and David Earney. (Champeny, Moham, Farl and Earney appeared by zoom).

Motion by Ruff seconded by Farl to approve the April 9, 2020 Council Proceeding minutes as presented. All members voting yes.

Motion by Moham seconded by Ruff to approve the April 21, 2020 Re-organization minutes as presented. All members voting yes.

Motion by Farl seconded by Ruff to approve the April 2020 Financial Report as presented. All members voting yes by roll call vote.

Motion by Ruff seconded by Grisen to approve the April 2020 Treasurer's Report as presented. All members voting yes.

Citizen comments. No citizens present in-person or by zoom.

**FINANCE/TAX & LICENSE/ZONING COMMITTEE**

Chairman Gary Ruff informed the Council that the committee had met and approved the vouchers and bills.

Ruff informed the Council that a building permit was approved, pending Historical Preservation Advisory Commission approval, to Thomas Bilski for 118 N. Main Street. Bilski is the District Attorney and will be using this building for law and tax preparation services.

Mayor Jim Wilkie presented Agenda Item 6: WI Retirement System Unfunded Liability Update.

Mayor Wilkie read an email he received from Attorney Jon Seifert and Kyle Kudert-WRS trustee stating that the amount owed is \$48,463.05 and according to the email, this will be the amount owed until the end of the year. As far as a letter stating the City will not have any further past liabilities owed, the ETF responded that they have a standard letter that goes out when the amount is paid. Dave Earney inquired if this could be paid late in the year around budget time. Discussion was held and Mayor Wilkie stated he would get more clarification on this matter. Wilkie informed the Council that, as approved last month, he will re-confirm with the bank that a 10-year loan can be obtained for 3.25%.

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

Mayor Jim Wilkie presented Agenda Item 7: Update on Alley Street.

Mayor Wilkie showed the Council the survey that was completed for a portion of Alley Street. Wilkie stated that the City only has a couple feet of retaining wall behind 107 N. Main Street and that most of the retaining wall belongs to the owner, William Haggerty. Mayor Wilkie has contacted the owner at least six times regarding the wall and Mayor Wilkie stated that the owner is interested in what can be done.

Councilman Jepsen inquired if, after the survey was completed, did it show that the City's cost is less than originally anticipated.

Mayor Wilkie stated that this retaining wall does hold up Alley Street and he will be sending measurements to the consulting engineer for some cost estimates for repairs and will report back.

Upcoming meetings:

Park & Recreation-----Wednesday, May 13, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. beginning at the Alma Marina area.

Services-----Wednesday, May 20, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. at City Hall.

Utilities-----Wednesday, May 20, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. at City Hall.  
Earney commented that he may have the owner at 107 N. Main to attend this meeting by zoom.

Board of Review-----Thursday, June 11, 2020 at 8:30 a.m. at City Hall. (Required to meet and adjourn to a later date)

Finance/Tax & License/Zoning-----Thursday, June 11, 2020 at 8:45 a.m. at City Hall.

Board of Review-----Thursday, August 13, 2020 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. (Noon).

Mayor Wilkie showed the tombstone that was purchased for Mary Johnson's grave and thanked everyone who contributed.

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