

Mayor Jim Wilkie called the regular monthly meeting of the Common Council of the City of Alma to order.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Clerk Linda Torgerson took roll call with the following members present: Richard Champeny – (zoom), Gary Ruff- (zoom), Monica Moham (zoom), Larry Farl – (zoom), Larry Grisen, Gary Jepsen, and David Earney.

Motion by Ruff seconded by Earney to approve the January 7, 2021 Council Proceeding minutes as presented. All members voting yes.

Motion by Ruff seconded by Moham to approve the January 2021 Financial Report as presented. All members voting yes by roll call vote.

Motion by Earney seconded by Ruff to approve the January 2021 Treasurer’s Report as presented. All members voting yes.

No citizens were present for comments.

FINANCE/TAX & LICENSE/ZONING COMMITTEE

Chairman Gary Ruff informed the Council that the committee had met this morning. Ruff informed the Council that the committee listened to two presentations by insurance agents for the City of Alma’s Liability, Property and Worker’s Compensation insurance. The first agent, Brian Christ with the WI Municipal League Insurance presented a proposal of \$38,139.00. The second agent, Jerry Den Boer (current agent) with EMC Insurance gave a proposal of \$52,585.00.

Motion by Grisen seconded by Jepsen to accept the insurance proposal from Brian Christ with the WI Municipal League Insurance in the amount of \$38,139.00 as presented. All members voting yes by roll call vote.

Ruff informed the Council that the city has budgeted money for our auditors – Bauman Associates and an agreement with them needs to be approved by Council.

Motion by Ruff seconded by Jepsen to approve the Audit Agreement with Bauman Associates in the amount of \$33,450.00 as presented. All members voting yes by roll call vote.

Motion by Ruff seconded by Champeny to approve Mobile Home Park permits to: Hungerford Family Trust, Steve Radsek and Darrin & Kim Bursaw. All members voting yes.

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

UTILITIES COMMITTEE

Chairman David Earney went over the minutes from the Utilities meetings on January 13th and February 11th, 2021.

Earney informed the Council that bid opening was held today for the blacktop work in the City of Alma with the following results:

Monarch Paving:	1 st Phase (upper) Sunset Drive-----	\$75,557.73
	2 nd Phase (lower) Sunset Drive-----	\$42,992.28
	Dunand Road-----	\$49,715.74
	Alley Street-----	<u>\$ 7,828.56</u>
	Total-----	\$176,094.30

Brian Gosse from Monarch pointed out on the proposal, that if both phases are done for Sunset Drive, there will be a deduct of \$7.00/ton.

Pavement Consulting Services:	1 st Phase (upper) Sunset Drive ----	\$105,275.00
	2 nd Phase (lower) Sunset Drive ---	\$ 60,174.40
	Dunand Road-----	\$ 73,452.25
	Alley Street-----	<u>\$ 5,439.75</u>
	Total-----	\$ 244,341.30

Motion by Grisen seconded by Earney to do Sunset Drive, both phases, and receive the \$7.00 per ton deduct and award the bid to Monarch Paving in the amount of \$108,344.01 and to award the Alley Street bid to Pavement Consulting Services in the amount of \$5,439.35. All voting yes by roll call vote.

Chairman Earney complimented the city crew of the good job they have done removing snow.

Chairman Earney informed the Council that there has been a payment request by the contractor, R.J. Jurowski, for the clarifier project. Shawn Welte, Davy Engineering, has reviewed and approved the payment request.

Motion by Earney seconded by Jepsen to approve Pay Request #1 to R.J. Jurowski for the clarifier project as presented. All members voting yes by roll call vote.

Motion by Earney seconded by Grisen to authorize Mayor Wilkie to establish a line of credit from the bank for the clarifier improvement project. All members voting yes by roll call vote.

Motion by Grisen seconded by Jepsen 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 January 29, 2021.

It was established that the Utilities Committee will be handling the property conditions from now on.

Chickens was discussed and the committee wanted input from the whole council. The committee did decide, however, not to allow chickens in certain residential zones in the City of Alma.

Gary Ruff was concerned on the number of chickens that would be allowed.

Larry Grisen suggested putting this matter on a referendum.

Gary Jepsen suggested seeing what other municipalities have adopted as far as chicken ordinances.

Chief Johnson suggested possible licensing the chickens on a yearly basis like dogs and cats. Johnson further stated to include no roosters.

Gary Jepsen offered to investigate chicken ordinances and how other municipalities are regulating chickens and report back to the Services Committee.

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

Upcoming meetings:

Next Council will be Thursday, March 11th at 6:00 p.m.

Finance-----March 11, 2021 at 8:30 a.m.

Larry Grisen questioned snowmobiles on city streets.

Chief Johnson stated that in our ordinance it states the streets where snowmobiles are allowed, however, the snowmobile club has not signed the trail that involves the streets.

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