

ALBURNETT CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 14TH, 2019 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The City Council of the City of Alburnett, Iowa met in regular session, **Thursday, November 14th, 2019**, at 7:00 pm in City Hall with Mayor McClintock presiding. McClintock called the meeting to order. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, roll call was taken with the following council members present: Chester Schantz, Bethany Sarazin, Brian Mensen, and Josh Henriksen. Absent was Council Member Joe Trumm. Also present was Jim Hill, Dave Boesenberg, Steve Graham (Fire Chief), Guy Trimble (Public Works Director), Danielle Brecht (City Clerk).

Sheriff's Report: No report given (no deputy present).

Approval of Agenda: No changes. **MOTION** to approve the agenda was moved by Sarazin, seconded by Mensen. All voted aye (4), nays (0); motion carried.

Mayor's Report: Mayor McClintock recognized and thanked Veterans for Veteran's Day on November 11th; Reminded council of upcoming goal discussions and staff reviews. Mayor noted receiving several citizen complaints regarding dogs at large and dog owners not picking up after their pets.

Council Reports: Mensen – thanked Public Works for recent snow removal, reminder to citizens to move vehicles off street during snowfall; Sarazin – worked on website system for fire department service requests; has been working with city clerk to train on modifying and updating city website. Schantz – reiterate Mayor's statement about dog owners not picking up after their pets; Henriksen – none.

Citizen Comments - Agenda items: None

Citizen Comments - Non-Agenda items: Jim Hill, 147 Moothart Street. Mr. Hill expressed concern that the city killed his neighbor's tree during the Moothart project, and that the city should pay for the tree. Mr. Hill expressed that he has a tripping hazard on his sidewalk due to the Moothart project. Mr. Hill expressed concern that the city snowplow is pushing snow up and over the curb and onto the sidewalk. Discussion followed.

Written Reports:

- **Fire Department:** Chief Graham asked about the city getting a Christmas Tree. Public Works Director Trimble responded that he is waiting to hear back on a potential tree.
- **Public Works:** Received draft NPDES permit with no changes or additional requirements.
- **City Clerk:** Reminded council to respond if able to attend budget workshop or municipal leadership training.

Consent Agenda: Minutes from 10/10 council meeting, list of claims, Financials/Treasurer's Reports, FY19 Annual Financial Report. Bills added for Kluesner in the amount of \$345.36. **MOTION** to approve consent agenda including bills added moved by Schantz, seconded by Henriksen. All voted aye (4), nays (0). Motion carried.

New Business:

- **Election Results:** Council Member Mensen thanked residents for getting out to vote. Mayor stated results for other two seats were Dave Boesenberg and Chester Schantz. Mayor thanked Council Member Henriksen for his time served as his term approaches an end next month.
- **Electronic Sign Request: Lion's Club** Discussion regarding request by Lion's Club for city involvement in purchasing, ownership, insuring of electronic sign to replace current manual sign. Request from council to discuss at next council meeting.
- **Employee Health/Dental Insurance Plan Renewal** Discussion regarding employee health and dental insurance renewal with premium increase of 12.25%. **MOTION** by Sarazin to approve plan renewal as presented, seconded by Henriksen. All voted aye (4), nays (0). Motion carried.
- **Lift Station Pump: Discuss Repair/Replacement** Discussion about replacing versus repairing life station pump; Recommendation from Public Works Director to replace. **MOTION** by Sarazin to replace Life Station Pump at a

total expense after rebate for old pump of \$6,620.00, seconded by Mensen. All voted aye (4), nays (0). Motion carried.

- **Resolution 11-2019-01: Annual Urban Renewal Report - MOTION** moved by Mensen to approve Resolution 11-2019-01 RESOLUTION APPROVING ANNUAL URBAN RENEWAL REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019, seconded by Henriksen. Roll call vote: Henriksen – aye, Schantz – aye, Sarazin – aye, Mensen – aye, (Trumm-absent). Motion carried.
- **Resolution 11-2019-02: Annual TIF Certification - MOTION** by Schantz to approve Resolution 11-2019-02 RESOLUTION APPROVING TAX INCREMENT FINANCING (TIF) INDEBTEDNESS CERTIFICATION, seconded by Sarazin. Roll call vote: Henriksen – aye, Schantz – aye, Sarazin – aye, Mensen – aye, (Trumm-absent). Motion carried.
- **Library Contract: Discuss current contract** Discussion followed regarding current contract pricing, request by city for lower contract price by Metro Library Network, denial of request for lower contract amount.

Old Business:

- **Building Permit & Inspection Services: Discuss contract with Linn County**-Discussion followed regarding contracting services with Linn County.
- **Ordinance Chapter 46 – Animals: Discuss ordinance revision**-Discussion followed regarding updating ordinance and current 28-E for animal control services.
- **Part-time Public Works Position**-Discussion regarding applications and interviews. **MOTION** by Henriksen to hire Kent Wright at starting wage of \$15.10/hour, seconded by Schantz. All voted aye (4), nays (0). Motion carried.
- **Nuisance Abatement**-Discussion followed regarding update on current nuisance abatement process.
- **Fire Station Project: Increase Approval for MGA Contract**-Discussion relating to increase in MGA contract for new fire station project. **MOTION** by Sarazin to approve new contract in the amount of \$87,325.00; seconded by Mensen. Roll call vote: Henriksen – aye, Schantz – aye, Sarazin – aye, Mensen – aye, (Trumm-absent). Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn: MOTION to adjourn moved by Mensen, seconded by Henriksen. All voted aye, nays (0); motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:36 pm.

Danielle Brecht, City Clerk

C. Charles McClintock, Mayor