

REGULAR MEETING OF THE ALCESTER CITY COUNCIL

The Alcester City Council held their regular City Council Meeting on Wednesday, August 17, 2022. Mayor Dan Haeder called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm with the following Council members present: Darla Reppe, Cyndi Peeples and Kyle VandenHull. Also present during the meeting were Patricia Jurrens, Wanda Halverson, Abigail Moore, Vickie Larsen, Theresa Deem, Gordon Richard, Lloyd & Anita Johnson, Connor Lusk, Jerika Robertson, Sunshine Roos, Augustine LaFambrise, Josh Carlson, Kyle & Jessie Paulson, and Sam Nelson. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Kyle VandenHull made a motion to approve the agenda; Cyndi Peeples seconded it. Three voted aye.

Darla Reppe thanked Linda Talbott for her years of service on the Council stating she was approachable and knowledgeable. Cyndi Peeples thanked Linda Talbott for her service and stated she will be missed. Darla Reppe made a motion to accept the resignation of Linda Talbott and to approve the advertising for City Council vacancy. Cyndi Peeples seconded it. Three voted aye.

Cyndi Peeples made a motion to elect Darla Reppe as Council Vice President; Kyle VandenHull seconded it. Two voted aye; Reppe abstained. Mayor Haeder voted aye to break the tie and approve the appointment.

Cyndi Peeples made a motion to remove Linda Talbott from all City Bank Accounts at Premier Bank and add Darla Reppe as a signer on all City accounts at Premier Bank. Kyle VandenHull seconded it. Two voted aye; Reppe abstained. Mayor Haeder voted aye to break the tie and approve the Bank Signers. With the changes that were approved at the August 1, 2022 meeting – the approved signers on all bank accounts at Premier Bank will be as follows: remove Wanda Halverson and Linda Talbott; add Abigail Moore and Darla Reppe along with Daniel Haeder, Patricia Jurrens, Lukas Driesen.

For Public Input – Gordon Richard addressed the Council requesting a financial report from the Alcester Community Center and voiced concerns regarding a nuisance property along Highway 11. Vickie Larsen addressed the Council asking about the Vendor – Visions Solutions; voiced concerns regarding to-go ordering at the Community Center and patrons using the patio during football games and alcohol use. Josh Carlson addressed the Council with concerns of the working conditions at the Community Center requesting the Council make sure the working conditions are safe for the employees. Anita Johnson addressed the Council with concerns of sexual harassment, food safety and proper food hygiene practices at the Community Center. Jessie Paulson addressed the Council with concerns of making sure the employees at the Community Center are protected and acknowledged. Kyle VandenHull and Cyndi Peeples thanked the parents for attending the Council meeting and speaking. This concluded Public Input.

For the Alcester Bar name change – Augustine LaFramboise presented the Council with an image of the proposed logo and name change of the bar. Cyndi Peeples made a motion to approve amending Section 1 of the Operating Agreement to allow premises and off-sale package liquor store to be operated as 1 More; and amending Section 28 to except the yellow highlighted items from the Alcester Bar closing inventory from the requirement by operator to purchase or buy all liquor and malt beverage inventory. Kyle VandenHull seconded it. Three voted aye. Pat Jurrens presented the final Alcester Bar Closing Inventory statement as prepared by Toshia's Bookkeeping Service – the total due to Deem Enterprises is as follows: Prorated Liquor License (\$483.00), Liquor Inventory (\$6,211.55), Liquor Markup (\$621.16) and Non-Liquor Mixers (\$24.87) for a total of \$7,340.58. The other amount owed to Alcester Bar will include the return of water deposit net final water usage. This concluded Alcester Bar discussion.

Regarding the 505 Ofstad Street Property – Kyle VandenHull made a motion to declare the Single Car Garage surplus property as it is no longer necessary, useful or suitable for the purpose for which it was intended; Darla Reppe seconded it. Three voted aye. Kyle VandenHull made a motion to appoint George Talbott, Dave Larsen and Viere Moumy to appraise the Single Car Garage located at 505 Ofstad Street; Darla Reppe seconded it. Three voted aye. This concluded 505 Ofstad Street Property.

Legal Updates – none.

Chairperson updates included: Cemetery – gopher and badger problem that James Anderson is addressing. Library board meeting and a lot of good things happening at the Library. Golf Course Advisory Committee is getting organized to meet. Liquor Store will not open until after Labor Day. This concluded Chairperson updates.

For Finance Office updates – Darla Reppe made a motion to approve paying Banner Engineering (\$158,657.4 Engineering Services WW Fund); COOP Architecture (\$3,200, Final Payment Design Services, GC Fund); Meierhenry Sargent (\$37,100 Bond Expense WW Fund) and Geotek Engineering (\$5,411.50 Soil Borings WW Fund) for a total of \$204,368.50. Cyndi Peeples seconded it. Three voted aye. The city employees will

delivery Meals on Wheels the week of August 22-26 and Cyndi stated she would be available to help on Friday. Mayor will check his schedule. Cyndi Peebles made a motion to approve moving the location of the September 19, 2022 Council Meeting from 500 Dakota Street to the Alcester Community Library, 6 PM; Darla Reppe seconded it. Three voted aye. Performance Reviews needing completion – Dale Pearson (FY) and Pat Jurrens (FY).

For Reminders and Updates – AHHS – First Day of School – August 18, 2022; AHHS Home FB Game – August 19, 2022; Labor Day Holiday – September 5, 2022, City Hall closed; City Council Meeting – Tuesday, September 6, 2022; Fire Hydrants Flushing – September 12, 2022. This concluded Finance Office Updates.

At 7:03 pm Cyndi Peebles made a motion to enter into Executive Session pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(1) personnel; Darla Reppe seconded it. Three voted aye. Mayor Haeder called the Council out of Executive Session at 8:37 pm. Kyle VandenHull made a motion to terminate Clint Nyreen for at will employment from the City of Alcester for cause effective August 18, 2022 at 8 AM; Darla Reppe seconded it. Roll Call voted – three voted aye. This concluded Executive Session.

Kyle VandenHull made a motion to adjourn; Cyndi Peebles seconded it. Three voted aye. Meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.

CITY OF ALCESTER
Daniel Haeder, Mayor

ATTEST:
Patricia Jurrens, Finance Officer