

REGULAR MEETING OF THE ALCESTER CITY COUNCIL

The Alcester City Council held their regular City Council Meeting on Tuesday, April 4, 2023. Council President Lukas Driesen 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 Jurens, Landon Nygard, Austin Felts, Gordon Richard, Vickie Larsen, Jared Driesen, Kerry Hedden, Kendra Hatle, Tanya Miller and Rhonda Bushby. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Cyndi Peeples made a motion to approve the agenda with one addition of Executive Session during Police Department discussion; Darla Reppe seconded it. Four voted aye.

Cyndi Peeples made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 6 and March 20, 2023 meetings; Darla Reppe seconded it. Four voted aye.

Tanya Miller, Banner Engineering, presented the bid results from the Wastewater Facility Plant upgrade and answered questions from the Council. Kyle VandenHull made a motion to approve and award the bid to Industrial Process Technologies in the amount of \$5,358,000 (\$5,297,900 for Bid Schedule 1 and \$60,100 for Alternative Bid 1); Darla Reppe seconded it. Four voted aye. This concluded Bid Approval.

Jared Driesen, HRC President, presented the Council with an HRC update on the projects completed in the past and future projects. Mr Driesen asked the Council to consider reducing the lot price of 505 Ofstad for future growth and to consider offering to pay for the utility hook up from the curb stop to the house. This will be under review and discussed at a future Council meeting. This concluded HRC updates.

Austin Schuller, 1More Bar, updated the Council on the Street Dance. Westin Frank had a conflict so 1More Bar booked the Judd Hoos as a replacement. The Street Dance will be July 29, 2023, 6 pm – 2 am, with 2nd Street Blocked off from corner of Iowa & 2nd to the east end of the parking spots in front of Pete's Produce/Sew Storm. 1More Bar will be responsible for crowd control, fencing in area and cleanup. Cyndi Peeples made a motion to approve the Street Dance featuring Judd Hoos, July 29, 2023, 6 pm to 2 am; Kyle VandenHull seconded it. Four voted aye. This concluded 1More Bar discussion.

For Public Input – Vickie Larsen addressed the Council with concerns on South Iowa Street, information the City Website, and the Community Center having managers reporting to the City. Rhonda Bushby addressed the Council stating the positive changes happening at the ClubHouse, complimenting Kelsey Erickson and Landon Nygard for the work they are doing and to give them time to see the improvement. Kendra Hatle addressed the Council with comments of what happens after Public Input and how is the public informed of questions addressed at Public Input. Darla Reppe shared a concern of previous police officers entering the Police Station with no current officer on duty. Lukas Driesen shared a comment to remove all trash cans from the City Streets after garbage pickup so the streets can be property maintained and swept. This concluded Public Input.

For Community Center updates – Landon Nygard addressed the Council with the latest things happening at the Center – the Clubhouse Grille has nightly specials which are published on Facebook to alert the public, a company has reached out to help build a website for the Clubhouse and Event Center, and Fast Signs has been contacted for signage quotes. One topic of discussion was the appropriate age for minors to be able to drive golf carts on the course without supervision. It was recommended to develop a policy which is shared to all golf members and have parents sign a liability agreement of minor child causes damage – the parents are liable. More information to follow. Landon Nygard shared the results of the Pickleball tournament and that nearly \$600 was raised for a Golf Course project. Mr Nygard Thanked the Pickleball Association for hosting the event. This concluded Community Center updates.

For Legal Updates – Austin Felts provided two resolutions for Council approval. Cyndi Peeples made a motion to approve Resolution No 2023-03, A Resolution of the City of Alcester Repealing Section 2.5 of the City of Alcester Police Policy and Procedure Manual; Kyle VandenHull seconded it. Four voted aye.

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-03

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ALCESTER REPEALING SECTION 2.5 OF THE CITY OF ALCESTER POLICE POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL

WHEREAS, an on-call policy for the Alcester Police Department is no longer desirous; and

WHEREAS, the council has the authority to modify its personnel policies by resolution,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Alcester that Section 2.5 of the City of Alcester Police Policy and Procedure Manual is hereby repealed.

Dated this 4th day of April, 2023.

CITY OF ALCESTER
/s/ Lukas Driesen, Council President

ATTEST:

/s/ Patricia R Jurrens, Finance Officer

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Cyndi Peeples made a motion to approve Resolution No 2023-04, A Resolution of the City of Alcester Repealing Policy 5.6 of the City of Alcester Personnel Policy Manual, 2020 Edition; Darla Reppe seconded it. Four voted aye.

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-04

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ALCESTER REPEALING POLICY 5.6 OF THE CITY OF ALCESTER PERSONNEL MANUAL, 2020 EDITION

WHEREAS, an on-call policy for the Alcester Police Department is no longer desirous; and

WHEREAS, the council has the authority to modify its personnel policies by resolution,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Alcester that Section 5.6 of the City of Alcester Personnel Manual, 2020 Edition Alcester Personnel Policy Manual is hereby repealed.

Dated this 4th day of April, 2023.

CITY OF ALCESTER
/s/ Lukas Driesen, Council President

ATTEST:

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No additional legal updates – this concluded Legal Updates.

For the Police Department – at 7:10 pm, Darla Reppe made a motion to enter into Executive Session pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2-1-Personnel; Cyndi Peeples seconded it. Four voted aye. Council President, Lukas Driesen, called the Council out of Executive Session at 7:44 pm. Cyndi Peeples made a motion to approve hiring Jared Thompson as Police Chief, \$27.00 per hour, effective immediately with contingency of offer accepted; Darla Reppe seconded it. Four voted aye. No additional hiring. This concluded Police Department Updates.

For Wastewater Facility Plant Bill approval – Darla Reppe made a motion to approve paying Banner Engineering, \$18,417.55 for Engineering services January – March, Sewer Fund; Kyle VandenHull seconded it. Four voted aye. This concluded Wastewater Facility Plant bill approval.

For Council Meeting Day change – Lukas Driesen stated both School Board and Fireman meetings happen on Monday night and would like the Council to consider changing the meeting night to Tuesday evenings. Kyle VandenHull made a motion to approve the City Attorney to draft an Ordinance to change the meeting day from the first and third Mondays to the First and Third Tuesdays at 6 pm to update the City Ordinances; Cyndi Peeples seconded it. Four voted aye. This concluded Council Meeting day change.

For Finance Office updates – Pat Jurrens asked the Council to schedule their monthly audits and to complete Abigail Moore's HY Performance Review and Lonnie Johnson's FY Performance Review.

Darla Reppe made a motion to approve paying the March Warrants; Cyndi Peeples seconded it. Four voted aye. Salaries: Finance Office-\$4,265.13, Police-\$1,534.22, Street-\$3,992.25, Water-\$2,468.73, Sewer-\$4,265.80, Library-\$1,229.31, Snow-\$1,105.97, Audi-\$46.44, Solid Waste-\$0, Cemetery-\$0, Park-\$0, Golf-\$11,925.67, Pool-\$0, Mayor-\$0, Council-\$0, Abigail Moore-Cell Phone Stipend, \$60.00, Alcester Fire Dept-allowance, \$1,400.00, Alcester Quickstop-Fuel, \$147.23, Alliance Communications-Utility, \$612.00, American Engineering-Lab Fees, \$1,427.00, Appera-Supplies, \$543.06, Black Star ACA-Equipment Purchase, \$13,150.00, Bomgaars-supplies & repairs, \$194.98, Central Carpet-Repairs, \$2,318.15, Cash-Startup, \$1,000.00, Chesterman-Supplies, \$351.50, City of Alcester-Water Refund, Charger Loan, \$4,230.00, Critters Dive Bar Pizza-Food, \$192.50, Dakota Beverage-Supplies, \$680.85, Dale Pearson-Cell Phone Stipend, \$60.00, DeRaade Heating-Repairs, \$212.60, Depart of Revenue-Sales Tax, \$1,702.42, Eastway Auto-Maintenance, \$94.80, Eco-Lab-Supplies, \$83.42, Frieberg, Nelson & Ask-Legal Fees, \$1,027.50, Horizon Health Care-Supplies, \$125.00, Ingram Library Services-Books, \$509.90, Iowa Information-Advertising, \$328.00, IRS-payroll taxes, \$7,175.25, J&K Equipment-Equipment Purchase, \$38,500.00, Jeff or Linda Jackels-Security Deposit Refund, \$150.00, John Conklin-Supplies, \$1,143.40, Keloland Employment-Advertising, \$298.00, Kelsey Erickson-Cell Phone Stipend, \$60.00, LG Everist-Street Materials, \$247.43, LP Gill-Landfill Rental, \$1,848.02, Landon Nygard-Cell Phone Stipend, \$60.00, Lonnie Johnson-Cell Phone Stipend, \$60.00, Loren Fischer Disposal-Garbage, \$137.61, Mid-American Energy-Utilities, \$5,054.99, Mid-American Research Company-Supplies, \$1,054.92, Muller Auto-Repairs, \$383.69, NARTEC-Supplies, \$189.27, New Century Press-Publications, \$1,266.37, Nexus Logistics-Equipment Purchase, \$650.00, Olson's Ace

Hardware-Repairs, Supplies, \$325.93, One Office Solution-Supplies, \$535.10, Patricia Jurrens-Cell Phone Stipend, \$60.00, Paula Fagre-Supplies, Artwork Sold, \$128.00, Pete's Produce-Supplies, \$158.47, PowerPlan-Repairs, \$2,122.76, Premier Bank-HSA Insurance, \$500.00, Printing Plus-Supplies, \$178.00, Reel Sharp-Repairs, \$5,408.04, Reinhart/Performance Foods-Supplies, \$3,281.98, Sanitation Products-Repairs, \$135.00, Schoeneman's-Supplies, \$90.76, SDML-Dues, \$200.00, Sioux Links Golf Magazine-Advertising, \$580.00, Siouxland Outdoor-Equipment Purchase, \$1,062.93, SD Retirement-Retirement, \$3,075.70, South Lincoln Rural Water-Water Purchase, \$7,070.70, Southeastern Electric-Utilities, \$1,794.00, Square-Dues, \$191.70, Sunlife Financial-Insurance, \$94.37, Sysco-Food, \$10,277.16, The Fillin' Station-Maintenance, \$216.50, Total Stop Food Store-Supplies, \$813.76, Verizon-Utilities, \$80.02, Waterman Backhoe-Repairs, \$7,214.30, and Wellmark-Insurance, \$2,661.51.

For Reminders & Updates–District 3 Meeting at Community Center-April 5, 2023; City Council Meeting-April 17, 2023. This concluded Finance Office Updates.

No Executive Session needed.

Darla Reppe made a motion to adjourn; Kyle VandenHull seconded it. Four voted aye. Meeting adjourned at 7:52 pm.

The following are the 2023 Salaries (per hour): Thompson, Jared-\$27.00

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