

REGULAR MEETING OF THE ALCESTER CITY COUNCIL

The Alcester City Council held their regular City Council Meeting on Monday, April 4, 2022. Mayor Dan Haeder called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm with the following Council members present: Dave Larsen, Linda Talbott, Cyndi Peeples, Darla Reppe and Lukas Driesen. Also present during the meeting were Patricia Jurrens, Wanda Halverson, Chief Schuller, Vickie Larsen, Gordon Richard, Sam Nelson, Rick & Laura Walleen, Clint Nyreen, Tanya Miller, Aleigha Paulson, Michael Croy, Landon Nygard, Ava Kingma, Hannah Ahart, Darnell Vermeersch, and Joni Schempp. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Lukas Driesen made motion to approve agenda as presented; Cyndi Peeples seconded it. Five voted aye.

Cyndi Peeples made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 7 & 21, 2022 Council Meetings; Linda Talbott seconded it. Five voted aye.

For the Wastewater Facility Plant Upgrade, Tanya Miller, Banner Engineering, presented the 90% completion plan to the City Council for review. The Council asked questions and received the timeline of the project. A full and complete copy of the plan will be available for viewing at City Hall. This concluded the wastewater Facility Plant Upgrade.

Alderman Interviews – none.

For Public Input – Gordon Richard addressed the Council with a comment regarding FCS purchasing the current Fairgrounds and to keep full transparency with this project. Lukas Driesen shared comments he received regarding the potential Fairgrounds sale. Darla Reppe shared several comments she received from patrons regarding the Fairgrounds sale. One additional comment was to run the street sweeper more. Vickie Larsen addressed the Council with concerns regarding plat map and the sale of Fairgrounds being a county-wide vote. This concluded Public Input.

At 6:30 pm – the Community Center employees were in attendance to speak with the Council. At 6:35 pm, Dave Larsen made a motion to enter into Executive Session pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(1) Personnel; Linda Talbott seconded it. Five voted aye. At 8:41 pm Mayor Haeder called the Council out of Executive Session. Dave Larsen made a motion to hire Summer Smith, Anaka Byl as server/event center at \$7.00 and prep cook at \$9.95; Darla Reppe seconded it. Five voted aye. Cyndi Peeples made a motion to hire Connor Lusk as Prep Cook at \$9.95 effective immediately; Lukas Driesen seconded it. Five voted aye.

For Police Updates – Chief Schuller provided the monthly stats, press release with details of an tobacco/alcohol sting, and a news story on Marshall Alf Amundsen, an Alcester officer killed in the line of duty. This concluded Police Department updates.

Legal Updates – Sam Nelson provided update on Notice of Intent to Condemn the house at 505 Ofstad Street, no update on 307 Iowa Street, and legislative updates regarding HB 1033, SB62 and HB1076. This concluded Legal Updates.

For the Fairgrounds discussion – the potential sale of the Fairgrounds land to FCS. This will be a joint project with the County and a sub committee with members from the City, County, and Fairboard Members will be formed. More information to follow after April 19, 2022 Fairboard Meeting. This concluded the Fairgrounds discussion.

For the 2022 Multi-Community Chip Seal Project – the bids were presented to the City Council. Lonnie Johnson provided his opinion to deny the bid for this year as the bids were very high and the number of blocks that could be sealed would be cut in half. Dave Larsen made a motion to deny the bid and now award the bid; Linda Talbott seconded it. Five voted aye. This concluded the Multi-Community Chip Seal Discussion.

For the Plat Map discussion – at 9:12 pm – Darla Reppe made a motion to convene jointly as the Planning Commission and City Council; Dave Larsen seconded it. Five voted aye. For the plat map discussion – the plat map was presented. Linda Talbott made a motion as the Planning Commission to recommend the approval of the **Plat of Tract 4, Railway Addition, An Addition in the Northeast ¼ of Section 28, T95N, R49W, 5th P.M. City of Alcester, Union County, South Dakota** and to be signed by David Larsen, Chairman of the Planning Commission; Darla Reppe seconded it. Four voted aye; Larsen abstained. David Larsen made a motion as the City Council to approve the Planning Commission recommendation and to approve the **Plat of Tract 4, Railway Addition, An Addition in the Northeast ¼ of Section 28, T95N, R49W, 5th P.M. City of Alcester, Union County, South Dakota**; Linda Talbott seconded it. Five voted aye. At 9:21 pm, Cyndi

Peeples made a motion to adjourn as the Planning Commission and resume acting solely as City Council; Darla Reppe seconded it. Joint meeting adjourned.

For the Swimming Pool – Wanda Halverson presented a list of the potential lifeguards with projected wages. The City of Alcester should feel blessed to have nine lifeguards willing to work because several cities are struggling to obtain lifeguards. Linda Talbott made a motion to approve hiring the following lifeguards at the wages presented; Cyndi Peeples seconded it. Five voted aye.

For the Finance Office – Patricia Jurrens presented the following updates, 2021 Audit, Performance Reviews that need to be completed, HUD Housing Study, and Industrial Board meeting.

Dave Larsen made a motion to approve the following warrants: Lukas Driesen seconded it. Five voted aye.

Salaries: Finance Office-\$4,934.18, Police-\$7,755.06, Street-\$3,145.13, Water-\$3,123.39, Sewer-\$3,476.80, Library-\$828.43, Snow-\$46.35, Audi-\$24.66, Solid Waste-\$0, Cemetery-\$0, Park-\$0, Golf-\$15,057.83, Mayor-\$0, Council-\$0, Akron Hometown-Subscription, \$114.00, Alcester Fire Dept-allowance, \$1,400.00, Alcester Quickstop-Fuel, \$192.68, Alliance Communications-Utility, \$318.00, American Engineering-Lab Fees, \$1,196.25, Appera-Linens, \$487.48, Austin Schuller-Postage, Cell Phone Stipend, \$69.00, Bomgaars-Supplies & Maintenance, \$312.76, Chestermans-Supplies, \$374.00, City of Alcester-RLF Payment, Health Insurance Reimbursement, Utility Billing, \$4,550.07, Clint Nyreen-Cell Phone Stipend, \$60.00, Core & Main-Equipment, \$6,278.00, Dale Pearson-Cell Phone Stipend & Clothing Reimbursement, \$129.20, Dee Cole-Contract Labor, \$375.00, DENR-State Fees, \$850.25, Department of Revenue-Sales Tax, \$2,532.83, Don McKenna-Entertainment, \$600.00, Ecolab-Rental, \$68.96, Fast Signs-Signs, \$3,259.97, Ferguson Waterworks-Supplies, \$161.21, Frieberg, Nelson & Ask-Legal, \$125.00, Grayson Lass-Cell Phone Stipend, \$60.00, High Plains Technology-Equipment, \$915.00, Ingram Library Services-Books, \$326.47, Iowa Information-Publications, \$306.61, IRS-payroll taxes, \$9,234.31, Jack's Uniforms-296.60, LP Gill-Landfill Rental, \$1,587.87, Landon Nygard-Cell Phone Stipend, \$60.00, Leader-Courier-Publications, \$40.00, Lonnie Johnson-Cell Phone Stipend, \$60.00, Loren Fischer Disposal-Garbage, \$136.25, Maxwell Food Equipment-Supplies, \$23,596.50, Melissa Coenen-Water Refund, \$150.00, Michael Croy-Cell Phone Stipend, \$60.00, Mid-American Energy-Utilities, \$4,561.34, New Century Press-Publications, \$870.17, Olson's Ace Hardware-Supplies, \$148.50, Patricia Jurrens-Reimbursement & Cell Phone Stipend, \$68.99, Pete's Produce-Supplies, \$204.12, Petty Cash-Postage & Vehicle Maintenance, \$21.23, Premier Bank-HSA Contributions, \$700.00, Schoeneman's-Repairs, \$150.92, SDML-Dues, \$130.00, SD Police Chief's Conference-Dues, \$85.00, SD Rural Water Ass'n-Dues, \$500.00, Sioux Links-Publications, \$580.00, SDRS-Retirement, \$4,261.50, South Lincoln Rural Water-Water Purchase, \$7,070.70, Southeastern Electric-utilities, \$1,560.80, Star Publishing-0, Sun Life Financial-Insurance, \$0, Sysco Lincoln-Food Supplies, \$0, Total Stop Food Store-Supplies, \$1,041.22, Uline-Supplies, \$771.56, Verizon-Utilities, \$240.06, Visa-Supplies, Postage, Dues, \$1,416.70, Wanda Halverson-Cell Phone Stipend, \$60.00, Webstaurant Store-Equipment & Supplies, \$4,264.40, Wellmark-Insurance, \$4,064.42.and Your Daily Dose-Supplies, \$7.99.

For Deputy Finance Officer position – the Council recommended a pay scale range \$16.50-\$17.25. For the Custodian position – pay range \$11.00.

For Reminders & Updates: AHHS-Prom, April 9, 2022; Spring Cleanup, April 15, 2022-May 1, 2022; City Council Meeting-April 18, 2022 6 pm; Golf Course Surplus Property Sealed Bid Opening-April 18, 2022, 5 pm. This concluded Finance Office Updates.

No Executive Session needed.

Linda Talbott made a motion to adjourn, Darla Reppe seconded it. Five voted aye. Meeting adjourned at 9:33 pm.

The following are the 2022 Salaries (per hour): Byl, Anaka, Smith, Summer Paulson, \$9.95(Dishwasher)/\$7.00(Server), Lusk, Connor-\$9.95; Haak, Madelyn-\$11.25; Meyer, Peyton-\$11.25; Johnson, Kelly-\$11.25; Kast, Michael-\$10.50; Kleinhans, Mateo-\$10.50; Schroder, Sara-\$10.90; Schroder, Noah-\$10.90 (pending WSI Certification); Lewison, Carly-\$11.75; Peterson, Bailey-\$11.75

CITY OF ALCESTER
Daniel Haeder, Mayor

ATTEST:

Patricia Jurrens, Finance Officer