

Almena City Council

The Almena City Council was called to order at 7 PM on Monday, February 3, 2020 by Council President Robert Hawks. Answering roll call were Amy Chandler, Bob Hawks, Ethan Hays, & Brian Sproul. A quorum was declared.

The minutes from the last meeting were read by Mayor Tracy Stutsman. It was moved and seconded to approve the December minutes. MOTION CARRIED.

No Fire Chief report.

Update on Water Project from Alan Luttrell. No Pay Estimate. A Change order will be submitted for south chlorine building control valve repair or replacement. A repair would cost approx. \$260. If the repair does not fix the problem the replacement cost could be \$6215.26

Visitor Recognition

- Jim Bland –New Business item 2; Barbara Thompson, nothing for the council except that she wants to be listed as a visitor each time she attends. This is not our normal process and her request will be taken into consideration.

New Business:

- Motion to approve a CMB License for annual Fire Department Valentine dinner on February 8,2020. MOTION CARRIED.
- Jim Bland is asking for approval/comments from the Council to commence work on the old emporium. It was moved and MOTION CARRIED to approve the building permit. He will get a building permit submitted.
- Northern Valley Post Prom requested a donation from the City, It was moved to donate \$200, MOTION CARRIED.

Old Business

- AT&T Franchise Agreement is on hold waiting for AT&T to complete their correspondence address section.
- More Street repairs are needed. City Operator to explore all options available. Also will look for a study by BG Consultants from several years back.

Attorney Report

- No Report. Items were covered.

City Operator Report:

- It was moved to enter into Executive Session at 7:33 for 5 minutes to discuss personnel issue, Meeting called back to order at 7:38. It was approved to give the City Operator assistant a pay increase of \$1.00 per hour. MOTION CARRIED

City Clerk Report

- Approval of an agreement with Mapes and Miller to conduct the Single Audit (a Federal Requirement) was requested. MOTION CARRIED.
- Cathy reported that 8 debtors had been added to KDRS Set-Off for debt collection.
- Cathy let everyone know that the information for the annual KRWA conference is in their packets. Chandler is already registered to attend.

Deputy City Clerk-Compliance Report/Update

- Not present – no report

Financial Reporting

- Bills were presented and approved. MOTION CARRIED
- Balance sheet was provided.
- Check register, Budget to Actual, and Delinquent accounts were reviewed.
- With no further business it was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 PM. MOTION CARRIED.

The next meeting will be Monday, March 2, 2020, at 7 PM.

Cathy Rivera –City Clerk

Minutes are not approved until next meeting.