Almena City Council Minutes

The Almena City Council was called to order by President Bob Hawks, at 7:00 PM on Monday, February 3rd, 2025. Answering roll call were Bob Hawks, Ethan Hays, Sarah Montgomery, Kevin Sides, and Brian Sproul. A quorum was declared.

Minutes were read and approved from the January 13th 2025, meeting. MOTION CARRIED

**Fire Chief Report** –Fire Chief Not Present

**Visitor Recognition-** No Visitors Present

**New Business**

* Water softener in Community Center needs to be replaced. A motion was made to rent a water softener from Culligan for $225 and monthly charge of $30. MOTION CARRIED.
* $3625 remained in trust acct and was recently moved to capital improvement. Funds could be used for Veteran’s Park if need be. Discussion regarding Treasurer position for the City.
* Almena Welcome Sign- Tabled until further information is obtained about property ownership/permission.
* Unregistered dogs/pit bull mix discussion- owner’s of dogs will be contacted
* Several resident’s property are listed as a blight and will be contacted by the City Office to remove non-operational vehicles, etc.
* Large water leak at 25998 Hwy 383- ½ water cost forgiven. Leak currently being investigated.

**Old Business**

* Updated Personnel Policies and Guidelines reviewed, and some changes suggested.
* Tien Easement Agreement- Reviewed easement agreement and will begin charging for water as per agreement
* Dockendorf Dog Fine- an extension requested, awaiting Judge Enfield’s decision

**Attorney Discussion/Report-** Discussion regarding dog issues/cases

**City Operator Report**

* City Operator not present- text message update presented business plan

**City Clerk Report**

* Renewed CD at First State in Norton

**Deputy City Clerk Report**

* Main Street Memorial Park- update from Jan 21st meeting. Park Project Manager (Andrew Brunner) will be here this week to survey the ground.
* Delinquent Account Status

**Financial Report**

* Approve Bills MOTION CARRIED.
* Balance Sheet
* Check register

With no further business it was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:21pm. MOTION CARRIED.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, March 3rd, at 7PM.

Annette Puent, Deputy City Clerk. Minutes are not approved until the next meeting.