

PROCEEDINGS SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

May 06, 2020

The Alden City Council met in special session on Wednesday, May 6th, 2020, regarding consideration of Mail Ballet Voting, as the Freeborn County Auditor-Treasurer provided written voting information options, because of COVID-19 pandemic.

Mayor Greg Hitchcock called the meeting to order at 6:09 PM.

Council members present were Mr. Jon Duncan, Mr. Heath Reindal, Ms. Janelle VanEngelenburg, and Mr. Jeff Wichmann. City staff present was Ms. Jeanne Meyer. Public individual attending was Mr. Veryl Shewe.

The council discussed and reviewed all information presented from Freeborn County Auditor-Treasurer, and Alden City Clerk-Meyer. Issues such as social distancing, sanitizing voter roster sign-in station, all pens, voter booths, and ballot drop container- station, between each and every voter were some of the safety challenges reviewed.

In view of public safety, and COVID-19 pandemic, the council decided to approve a resolution to change the City of Alden from voting at the city polling place, 174 N. Broadway, Alden, to Mail Ballot voting, for the remainder of 2020. Therefore the August 11th Primary and the November 03rd General Election of 2020, will be conducted by mail ballot voting.

Motion by city council member Ms. VanEngelenburg, for the City of Alden to pass a resolution to designate "Mail Balloting" as the selected method used for voting for the City of Alden. Motion seconded by Mr. Reindal. Full resolution will be on file in the city clerk's office. Motion of the resolution was passed, none opposed.

Motion by Mr. Wichmann, and second by Ms. VanEngelenburg to adjourn at 6:17 p.m. Motion passed, with none opposed.

Greg Hitchcock
Mayor

Jeanne Meyer
City Clerk-Treasurer