

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR ALDEN CITY COUNCIL MEETING

10 November 2021

The Alden City Council met in regular session on Wednesday 10 November 2021, at 6:00 PM. Present were Mayor Greg Hitchcock and council members Ms. VanEnglenburg Mr. Reindal and Mr. Duncan. Mr. Wichmann was absent. City Staff present were Jim Thunstedt, Spencer Wacholz., and Jerome Wuerflein. Robert Mathiason was in attendance.

Mayor Hitchcock called the meeting to order and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approved as presented were the Minutes of the September Meeting, along with the October Treasurer's Report and transfers, and the Hours Report.

Chief Thunstedt reported the department had no fire calls, 1 MVA, and 4 medicals calls for October. The County meeting was held in Clarks Grove, unfortunately Chief Thunstedt was unable to attend. The FD received \$2,000 from the Freeborn-Mower Operation Round-Up. 3 first responders renewed their certification which happens every 2 years. The AFG FEMA grant opens Monday 8 November 2021 and closes Friday 17 December 2021. Chief Thunstedt invited council and city employees to the AFD annual banquet on Tuesday 9 November. Trucks were serviced and tested with the pump truck passing. VanEnglenburg motioned, Reindal 2nd, to accept the Fire Report; motion carried.

Superintendent Wuerflein reported that the City has taken out the docks and buoys from the lake. The city purchased new "Closed for the Season" signs to be hung at various locations. The furnace for the beach quit, which Wuerflein ordered a new furnace. Wuerflein ordered new parts for the snowplows, water system materials, and bulbs for the Christmas lights. The City will not have to do a fall discharge this year. New tires were purchased and fitted to the city pickup. Duncan motioned, Reindal 2nd, to accept the Public Works Report; motion carried.

Robert Mathiason brought forth more information about the water meter at 138 Wilson and the new owners concerns about the water meter. Discussion was conducted and Mathiason was reassured that the meters are very accurate.

The council was presented with a resolution called 2021.4 RESOLUTION APPROVING LIST OF CITY ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS PROVIDED TO THE MINNESOTA JUDICIAL BRANCH/ VanEnglenburg motioned, Reindal 2nd, to approve the resolution; motion carried.

The council was presented with a resolution called 2021.5 A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AGREEMENT FOR THE PROSECUTION OF PETTY MISDEMEANOR AND MISDEMEANOR OFFENSES WITH THE FREEBORN COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE. Duncan motioned, Reindal 2nd, to approve the resolution; motion carried.

The council was presented with a resolution called 2021.6 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SALE OF EXCESS PROPERTY. VanEnglenburg motioned, Reindal 2nd, to approve the resolution; motion carried.

The council was presented with a resolution called RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING AN URBAN AND RURAL SERVICE DISTRICT. Reindal motioned, Duncan 2nd, to approve the resolution; motion carried.

All resolutions are available in the Clerk’s Office.

The bills provided for the month have been accepted by motion from VanEnglenburg, 2nd by Reindal, motion carried. The following bills for the month are as follows:

Bryce Adams	\$30.00
Alden Advance	\$76.63
Arnold’s of Alden	\$231.22
CliftonLarsonAllen LLP	\$4,672.50
Fastenal	\$141.02
Fire Safety USA	\$2,169.81
Freeborn County CoOp	\$211.61
Freeborn Mower	\$1,772.92
Frontier	\$218.43
Gopher State	\$5.40
H&L Mesabi Company	\$1,991.12
Hawkins	\$5.00
J&P Repair	\$145.00
Lakeside Auto	\$1,078.84
League of MN Cities	\$823.00
Midcontinent Comm	\$513.05
MN Energy	\$45.39
Quill	\$24.58
Sparkling Image	\$345.00
Staples	\$161.58
Thompson Sanitation	\$3,230.30
USAble Life	\$98.40
Utility Consultants	\$118.50
Spencer Wacholz	\$30.00
Jerome Wuerflein	\$86.40
Zarnoth Brush Works	\$439.50

Duncan motioned to adjourn meeting, 2nd by VanEnglenburg
 Mayor Hitchcock adjourned meeting at 7:15 pm.

 Spencer Wacholz – Clerk

 Greg Hitchcock - Mayor