

MINUTES
ALBION CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING – PUBLIC HEARING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2020

A Regular Meeting of the Albion City Council of the City of Albion, Nebraska was convened in open and public session at 7:30 p.m. on February 11, 2020 at Albion City Hall, 420 West Market St., Albion, NE. Present were: Mayor James C. Jarecki, Council Members Marcus Johnson, Jon Porter, Chris Kohtz, and Walt Hoefer. City staff present were: City Administrator Andrew Devine, Deputy City Clerk Sharon Ketteler, Water Commissioner Ron Morearty, City Attorney Darren Wright, and Officer Joe Predmore. Notice of this meeting along with the agenda was simultaneously given in advance to all members of the Board. Notice of this meeting was given in advance by publication, a designated method for giving notice; a copy of proof of publication is attached to these minutes. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public. The meeting was recorded using an audio recording device and such recording is available for inspection at the office of the City Clerk.

MAYOR’S COMMENTS

Mayor Jarecki informed the public about the location of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act posted in the Council Chambers. The Mayor stated that procedures have changed on One & Six Year Street Improvement Plan. Comments will be received tonight, however, we won’t adopt a resolution until further research has been done on necessary procedure of the public hearing.

2. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 14, 2020 CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Councilman Porter made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 14, 2020 City Council meeting; second by Johnson. **Vote: Yeas; Kohtz, Hoefer, Porter, Johnson. Nays; None.**

3. OPEN PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE CITY OF ALBION 2020 ONE & SIX YEAR STREET IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Mayor Jarecki opened the public hearing at 7:35 p.m. The Mayor sought public input. Testimony was given by two citizens proclaiming necessary repairs needed for their alleys. Mayor Jarecki stated that the hearing would remain open throughout the meeting and additional public input would continue to be received.

At 7:50 p.m. Mayor Jarecki announced there would be a recess to the public hearing until the March city council meeting.

4. **CONSIDER RESOLUTIONS DECLARING SURPLUS PROPERTY AND DIRECTING THE SALE OF THE SAME**

- RESOLUTION 101(20) DECLARING SURPLUS PROPERTY AND DIRECTING THE SALE OF THE SAME – LIBRARY SHELVING

Council Members reviewed the resolution. Councilman Hoefler made a motion to introduce and adopt Resolution 101(20), second by Johnson. **Vote: Yeas; Hoefler, Kohtz, Porter, Johnson. Nays; None.**

- RESOLUTION 102(20) DECLARING SURPLUS PROPERTY AND DIRECTING THE SALE OF THE SAME – RIDING MOWER & TRACTOR

Council Members reviewed the resolution. Councilman Hoefler stated there used to be a belly mower with the International tractor, and questioned if it would be included with the sale of the tractor. Clerk Devine stated it will be included if it can be located. Councilman Johnson made a motion to introduce and adopt Resolution 102(20), second by Porter. **Vote: Yeas; Kohtz, Johnson, Porter, Hoefler. Nays; None.**

5. **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL REGARDING THE STATUS OF VARIOUS CITY DEPARTMENTS, CITY ACTIVITIES, AND CITY FINANCIAL REPORTS**

Administrator Devine had previously provided a report for council review. Devine added there was an update on the ACE distribution check to the City of Albion showing the amount to be closer to \$6,000 rather than the \$4,000 - \$5,000 written in the report. The money should be received next month.

Devine met with an appraiser for the recreational property transfer. It was discovered that Nebraska Game and Parks requires a yellow book appraisal, which he could not do. Mr. Devine has requested a list of appraisers that can do a yellow book appraisal.

Devine also added that the City recently purchased 600 tons of crushed asphalt millings to be used at the Sports Complex and on alleys. **No action taken.**

6. **CONSIDER BILLS FOR APPROVAL**

- CONSIDER MONTHLY BILLS FOR APPROVAL

Councilman Johnson made a motion to approve monthly bills for payment, excluding the Speed Drain bill; second by Porter. **Vote: Yeas; Kohtz, Hoefler, Johnson, Porter. Nays; None.**

Councilman Johnson made a motion to approve Speed Drain bill, second by Kohtz. **Vote: Yeas; Hoefler, Johnson, Kohtz. Nays; None. Abstain; Porter.**

7. **CONSIDER EMPLOYEE EVALUATION FOR APPROVAL**

Councilman Porter made a motion to table the annual evaluations of Joe Luettel and Joe Landauer until next month, second by Hoefer. **Vote: Yeas; Johnson, Porter, Kohtz, Hoefer. Nays; None.**

8. **CONSIDER RESOLUTION 103(20) ADOPTING CITY OF ALBION 2020 ONE & SIX YEAR PLAN FOR APPROVAL**

(No action taken due to recess of public hearing.)

9. **ITEMS TO BE PUT ON NEXT MEETING AGENDA**

Next Regular Meeting: March 10, 2020 at 7:30 p.m.

- DISCUSS FRANCHISE RENEWAL WITH LOUP POWER;
- 2020 LAWCARE BIDS;
- 2020 SPORTS COMPLEX CONCESSION STAND BIDS;
- MUTUAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGREEMENT/RESOLUTION;
- DOWNTOWN STREET CLOSURE REQUESTS;
- ANNUAL WATER AND SEWER DEPT. REPORTS;
- ANNUAL HOUSING AUTHORITY REPORT;
- POSSIBLE PUBLIC HEARING ON COMP PLAN UPDATE;
- CONTINUE 1 & 6 YEAR PUBLIC HEARING WITH POTENTIAL ACTION

10. **ADJOURN**

At 7:51 p.m. Council Member Porter made a motion to adjourn the meeting, second by Johnson. **Vote: Yeas; Hoefer, Porter, Johnson, Kohtz. Nays; None.**

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I the undersigned Clerk hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of proceedings had and done by the Mayor and Council; that all subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the Agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and available for inspection at the office of the Clerk; that such subjects were contained in said Agenda for at least 24 hours prior to said meeting; that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for the examination and copying of the public; that said minutes were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification of meetings of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and subjects to be discussed at said meeting.

James Jarecki, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sharon Ketteler, Deputy Clerk