Albia City Council Regular Meeting Monday, February 20, 2023 Minutes

Mayor Richard Clark called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm with all council members present, Brandon Williams, Scott Kelly, Chris Yarkosky, Kathy Mobley, Merle Regenold, Dennis Conley. Other officials present: Linda Heller-City Clerk, Jeff Stephens-Street Commissioner, Brad Evinger-Chief of Police.

Kelly moved, Mobley seconded to approve minutes from meeting Feb. 8, 2023 and carried 6-0. Claims as mailed and additional claims of Tom's Tree Service-\$4800.00, Advance Chemical-\$97.95 & JTTMI-\$83,401.00, moved for approval by Conley and seconded by Regenold and carried 6-0.

Billy Strickler, Albia Community Schools presented a traffic route that would be safe for students and drivers during the South Clinton Bridge project. Route would be one way south on South A Street, then north on South Clinton. After discussion, Conley moved and Williams seconded to approve route as presented and carried 6-0.

Council reviewed a sign request from Made of Mettle, North F Street, to be placed near Carr Park. Conley moved and Mobley seconded to approve the sign and placement at intersection of No. F Street & Hwy 5, motion carried 6-0.

Helen Foster, Albia Municipal Water Board member, asked the Council to consider an increase to the amount paid to the Municipal Water for collection of sewer rental. Current rate is \$4,350.00 requested to increase to \$5000.00. council asked for more information and will take under consideration at another meeting. Conley moved and Yarkosky seconded to defer to next regular meeting and carried 6-0.

Council member Williams presented information about allowing chickens in the City of Albia. After discussion, Williams moved to proceed with amendments to allow chickens, motion died for lack of second.

Mobley moved, Kelly seconded to open public hearing regarding disposal of real property, motion carried with Mobley, Kelly, Conley, Regenold, Yarkosky & Conley voting yes, none opposed. Clerk received no objections in writing and none heard at the meeting. Kelly moved and Conley seconded to close public hearing and carried with Mobley, Kelly, Conley, Regenold, Yarkosky & Conley voting yes, none opposed. After review of applications for purchase, Williams moved and Conley seconded to approve resolution to dispose of property at 115 D Ave West to Scott Miller. Resolution did not pass with Conley, Williams, Mobley voting yes and Kelly, Regenold, Yarkosky voting no. Property will be rebid at a later meeting.

Kelly moved; Mobley seconded to open public hearing for comment on maximum levy rate. Motion carried with Mobley, Kelly, Conley, Regenold, Yarkosky Conley voting yes, none opposed. No written or oral objections were received or heard. Mobley moved, Regenold seconded to close public hearing and carried Mobley, Kelly, Conley, Regenold, Yarkosky Conley voting yes, none opposed. Yarkosky moved and Kelly seconded to approve resolution to set maximum levy as published and carried with Mobley, Kelly, Conley, Regenold, Yarkosky Conley voting yes, none opposed.

With no questions for Nancy Buss, Hall Engineering, Mobley moved, Williams seconded to approve Payment #6 to Woodruff Construction -\$335,825.00, Hall Engineering-\$15009.66 & progress report to USDA. Motion carried 6-0.

Conley moved and Regenold seconded to approve 2nd reading, waive 3rd reading and adopt ordinance 905 amending Chapter 88 property maintenance code and carried 6-0.

Lift station at the brush dump site is going down frequently and parts are not available due to age. Estimates were received from Electric Pump \$62,800.00, Flo Systems \$45,297.00. Flo Systems will need electrician to wire, at a cost that would not exceed \$5000.00. Conley moved and Yarkosky seconded to approve and accept estimate from Flo Systems in the amount of \$45,297.00 and carried 6-0.

Mayor discussed the safety issues of having trailers parked on the streets. Trailers are wide and drivers are unable to see them at night, causing a hazard. Council will collect more information and Conley moved and Williams seconded to table to a future meeting and carried 6-0.

Yarkosky moved and Conley seconded to approve resolutions approving interfund transfers from LOST & sewer improvements to sewer construction account, carried with Mobley, Kelly, Conley, Regenold, Yarkosky Conley voting yes, none opposed. Yarkosky moved and Conley seconded to approve resolution providing repayment of LOST & sewer improvements from sewer construction account and carried with Mobley, Kelly, Conley, Regenold, Yarkosky Conley voting yes, none opposed.

Council Comments; Williams reported on playground equipment at Rez Park. Regenold inquired about the PD truck motor & increase in recycle fees. Mobley discussed the recycle center needs organized. Conley discussed sewer operations. Yarkosky inquired about the signs on Hwy 34.

Supervisors Reports; Stephens reported on the tree & snow removal. Mayor asked if Council wanted Eric Miller to attend meetings for sanitation dept. City Clerk will be setting up budget workshops.

Meeting adjourned 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted Linda Heller, City Clerk