

Albia City Council Meeting  
Monday, November 6, 2023  
Minutes

Mayor Richard Clark called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Council roll call: Kathy Mobley, Don Benson, Scott Kelly, Merle Regenold, Chris Yarkosky (via zoom), absent: Brandon Williams. Officials present: Linda Heller-City Clerk, Scott Reed-Street Commissioner, Eric Miller-Sanitation Commissioner & Jacob Miller-Police Chief.

Kelly moved and Mobley seconded to approve consent agenda less tax exemption application for property at 1210 Benton Ave East. Motion carried 5-0

Kelly moved, Regenold seconded to open public hearing to dispose of property at 422 South Main Street and carried 5-0. No written or oral objections were received. Mobley moved, Kelly seconded to close public hearing, motion carried 5-0. After review of bids, Benson moved, Regenold seconded to defer action of disposal, until next meeting, to receive more information from a bidder, motion carried 5-0.

Mobley moved, Kelly seconded to open public hearing for closure, vacation & disposal of an alley south of 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave East. Motion carried 5-0. Clerk received no written or oral objections were heard. Mobley moved; Regenold seconded to close public hearing. Bids received from adjoining property owners, Mark Baugher, Margret R Popson, JTTMI Holdings totaling \$250.00. Yarkosky moved, Mobley seconded to approve resolution to close, vacate and dispose alley to adjoining property owners. Resolutions carried with Mobley, Regenold, Kelly, Benson & Yarkosky voting yes and Williams absent.

Aimee Campbell, Head Librarian, addressed the Council in regards to needs of the library building, windows, ac & heat and other building maintenance needs, and requesting funds for some of these needs from the ARPA funds. After discussion Kelly moved and Regenold seconded to defer action until next meeting for more information and carried 5-0.

Bids were reviewed for web site maintenance & design from Gov Sites, \$5900.00 or \$9900.00 annual, Civic Plus \$4645.00 1<sup>st</sup> year, then \$3795.00 following years, Scott Kelly-\$300.00 per month (\$3600.00 annual) all for 4-year contract. After consideration Regenold moved; Mobley seconded to approve 4-year contract with Scott Kelly for web site design and maintenance-\$3600.00 annual fee, beginning December 1, 2023. Motion carried 5-0.

City Clerk presented a procurement policy to finish the Downtown Housing Grant, as needed for Iowa Economic Development. Kelly moved; Yarkosky seconded to adopt procurement policy; motion carried 5-0.

Mayor announced that Brad Evinger has resigned from Planning & Zoning Commission and asked for a motion to advertise to fill position. Yarkosky moved; Kelly seconded to advertise to fill Planning & Zoning open seat and carried 5-0.

Street Commissioner discussed the salt shed condition with council and found it needs to be replaced. Yarkosky moved; Regenold seconded to allow Street Commissioner to obtain quotes for new salt shed and carried 5-0.

Council Comments; Regenold-rail crossings, Benson-sidewalk Cruzin Park

Supervisors Reports; Sanitation Commissioner-west lagoons de-sludge will begin soon, north plant drive will be repaired and is delay on electric panel. Clerk-budgeting will begin in December with supervisors and with council early January. Street Commissioner-historic lights are up and going and waiting on information for the tennis court lights. Police Chief- asked for consensus of the council to confirm the purchase of a patrol vehicle, after discussion, consensus was to purchase and will be agenda item next meeting.

Meeting adjourned 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Heller, City Clerk  
City of Albia