Almena City Council

The Almena City Council was called to order at 7 PM on Monday, June 7th, 2021 by Mayor Tracy Stutsman. Answering roll call were Bob Hawks, Ethan Hays, and Kevin Sides. A quorum was declared.
The minutes from the last meeting were read by Deputy City Clerk, Annette Puent. It was moved and seconded to approve the May 3rd, 2021 Minutes. MOTION CARRIED. The agenda was adopted with said changes: Visitor: Elaine Johnson and New Business (c) to Add Deputy City Clerk to Operating Account. MOTION CARRIED.

Fire Chief Report – Fire Chief not present

Visitor Recognition-

- Brian Thompson, Mapes & Miller- Audit Report for 2020- MOTION CARRIED to accept report
- Elaine Johnson- Memorial bench in honor of Robert Archer to be placed on South side of Community Building- Council approved location.

New Business

- Complaint from Utility Customer discussed. Annette will follow up with possible change in wording on bills to clarify past due amount.
- Close Utility Checking Account to better utilize website payments- spreadsheet is all that is needed. MOTION CARRIED.
- Add Deputy City Clerk (Annette) to operating account signer- MOTION CARRIED.

Old Business

- 512 Main- Awaiting quote from Doyle B, discussion possibility of pocket park to be made as a Memorial Park.
- 301 Washington- Discussion to move forward with Demo/Vehicle removal
- 510 Ives- Demo set for 6/9/2021
- Security Badge packet given to members- Pictures to be taken and sent to Cathy with packet
- Contingency Ownership of 512-to accept with amounts of securing grant of no less than $35,000 for demo by December 3, 2021 with inspection report with no more than $2,000 for hazardous materials. MOTION CARRIED.

Attorney Report

- None at this time
- Country dogs "at large" in City. Discussion of options to resolve issue.

City Operator Report:

- Well House #5 (Water Salesman) discussion of various needs & quotes: plumbing, electrical, structure. Quote for plumbing (Municipal Supply) accepted. MOTION CARRIED. Quote for electric (Don's Electric). Will request an itemized quote.
- South Water Tower- waiting for estimate
- Trash Truck- Maintenance issue resolved -Freightliner in NE completed work

City Clerk Report (reported by Deputy, City Clerk not present)

- Reviewed a draft of a letter to residents to inform of various ordinances, including dogs at large, to be mailed out.
- American Rescue Funds- further clarification needed to ensure use for roads and/or water salesman
- Hazard Mitigation plan- agreement to get bids for generator.

Deputy City Clerk Report-

- Compliance Report- Properties Update: 601 Mills Ave, July 1st deadline to make repairs; 913 Pratte Ave and 130 Bryant being mowed. Owners will be charged /assessed.

Financial Report

- Approve Bills MOTION CARRIED.
- Balance Sheet
- Check register
- Delinquent Accounts Status

With no further business it was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:22 PM. MOTION CARRIED.
The next meeting will be Monday, July 12th, at 7 PM.

Annette Puent, Deputy City Clerk. Minutes are not approved until next meeting.