

Almena City Council Minutes

The Almena City Council was called to order by President Bob Hawks at 7:00 PM on Monday, March 3rd, 2025. Answering roll call were Bob Hawks, Ethan Hays, and Sarah Montgomery. A quorum was declared.

Minutes were read and approved from the February 3rd 2025, meeting. MOTION CARRIED

Fire Chief Report –Fire Chief Not Present- a grass fire occurred on 2/25/2025 East of the prison

Visitor Recognition- Kenny Gibson was present to discuss snow removal concern and blind spot it created. Kenny also discussed his plans to move several vehicles he has parked on the street.

New Business

- Hop-a-long quote- office computers are using operating systems that will soon be obsolete. A motion was made to accept Hop-a-long quote for two new computers. MOTION CARRIED.
- A gift of \$2,157.50 was received from Ray Dreher's Memorial to be donated to Veteran's Memorial Park.
- NVHS Prom Donation- a motion was made to donate \$250 to the Northern Valley Prom. MOTION CARRIED
- T. Nelson water leak- the City notified Terry of large leak. The leak has not yet been found. This month only, the city will forgive 25% of water cost, as leak has been ongoing.

Old Business

- Dog fine- extension granted for B. Dockendorf. New due date March 10th, 2025.
- Almena Welcome Sign- Tabled for now. Looking into new locations for sign to be placed.
- Tien Easement Agreement- Per the agreement, water will be charged same rate as Almena residents with 200 gallons of free water. The city office will monitor usage to ensure 200 free gallons are accounted for. Justin will be informed.
- Water softener- The water softener rental was installed Friday, February 28th.
- Update on vehicle nuisances: 710 Cleveland & 710 Washington. 715 Pratt was tabled for further information
- Treasurer's position- tabled until April

Attorney Discussion/Report

- Legislative Update: building permits, property tax relief possible

City Operator Report- City Operator not present

- Capital Budgeting- to be discussed further
- Chip and Seal- problem streets to be identified and companies to be contacted for quotes

City Clerk Report

- Renewed CD at First State in Norton

Deputy City Clerk Report

- Main Street Memorial Park- phase 1 estimate presented. KDOC grant of 10k applied for.
- Delinquent Account Status

Financial Report

- Approve Bills MOTION CARRIED.
- Balance Sheet
- Check register

With no further business it was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:06pm. MOTION CARRIED. The next meeting will be held on Monday, April 7th, at 7PM.

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