

Almena City Council Minutes

The Almena City Council was called to order by Mayor Tracy Stutsman at 7:04 PM, Monday August 4th, 2025. Answering roll call were Bob Hawks, Sarah Montgomery, and Kevin Sides. A quorum was declared. Minutes were read and approved from the July 7th, 2025 meeting with wording clarification. MOTION CARRIED

Fire Chief Report –Fire Chief - not present

Visitor Recognition- none

New Business

- The 2026 Budget Hearing was opened and Brian Thompson presented the budget draft. No need to raise taxes at this time. With no further questions the 2026 Budget was approved and the Hearing closed.
- Poly cart new invoice will show increased amount, which will be passed on to customers' cost.
- Treasurer Job Description approved.
- The City of Almena is looking for a logo. A motion was made to ask the school to assist with a contest for students. If a logo is accepted, the creator will be awarded \$250. MOTION CARRIED
- A dead animal was reported in the back of a pickup truck. The animal has since been removed.
- Large leak at 602 Ives- ½ forgiveness on “water only” given
- Discussion of 2026 SPPA Tractor Pull event and gathering people to bring ideas for new activities.

Old Business

- Compliance issues discussed with several letters that have been sent out
- Continuing to research grants for electronic speed monitoring signs for school street

Attorney Discussion/Report (Attorney not present)

City Operator Report

- Street repairs and patching to be done on August 5th
- SCADA system South well field now fixed.
- Generator purchase update- Expected delivery in September
- Camera at shop and tree dump update- Nex-Tech will be here this week
- Signs for shop and tree dump have been delivered, some installed.

City Clerk Report

- A CD Matured July 24th, 2025 and has been reinvested

Deputy City Clerk Report

- Main Street Memorial Park Update- Vinyl Poster with Phases of work is ready to be displayed
- 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 8:04pm. MOTION CARRIED. The next meeting will be held on **Tuesday**, September 2nd 2025, at 7PM. Annette Puent, Deputy City Clerk. Minutes are not approved until the next meeting.