

MINUTE RECORD FOR CITY OF ALMA
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
March 26, 2024

A special meeting of the City Council of the City of Alma, Nebraska was held at City Hall on Wednesday, March 26, 2024, at 4:30 p.m.

Present were Council Members: Chris Tripe, Dyann Collins, Larry Casper, and Mayor and Acting Administrator Hal Haeker. Absent: Tom Moulton. Treasurer Tashia Butterfield, City Clerk Dawn McNulty, City Attorney Doug Walker, and City Utility Superintendent Russ Pfeil were also in attendance. Notification of this meeting and the agenda was given in advance by posting, a designated method for giving notice. Advance notice of the meeting and the agenda was given to the Mayor and all members of the City Council. All proceedings hereinafter were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Mayor Haeker advised the public of the Open Meetings Act posted on the east wall of the meeting room, and then proceeded to call the regular meeting of March 26, 2024, at 4:30 p.m. and the following business was transacted:


Roll call: Tom Moulton-Absent, Dyann Collins-present, Chris Tripe-present, Larry Casper-present, and Mayor Haeker-present. Motion by Casper, second by Tripe, to determine this meeting as previously publicized, duly convened and in open session. There being no further discussion upon the motion made and upon roll call vote, the following voted yes: Casper, Tripe, and Collins. Voting no: None. Motion carried.

Mayor opened the floor to discuss and or approve the bidding of the city's insurance. Casper stated that he appreciated both parties' presentations and your professionalism. I have run around with this in my mind quite a bit. Last week I might have been leaning one way, and I just know that this is something that we are going to have to revisit due to expenses. It is something that is not going to go away. I just wanted to make that comment. I am not an insurance expert. I appreciate the information that was presented at the last meeting and the talks that were made. I just wanted to make that clear to everybody. Tripe asked if anyone had any last remarks. Paul Waggoner stated that he had none unless there were any questions. He stated that they presented the facts, and it is what it is. Waggoner stated, Larry, I agree with you, it is something that needs to be looked at every 3-5 years. I would not do it every year, it is too much for you and too much for everyone involved. Casper said it is getting to the point that dollars are going to be more in demand elsewhere. That if we can save dollars elsewhere. That is going to be with everybody. Tripe stated that there was always someone coming in and out taking care of long-term care insurance sometimes. Tripe said it seems like there are always people exiting, not so much entering anymore. The companies that are providing are getting narrower and narrower and it is just a niche market. There are just 2 or 3 companies that exist. That is happening a lot of company's consolidation. So, the government breaks them up again. I am with Larry too. I do not think it would be every 5-year thing. Tripe said, we look at our health insurance. We look at it a lot more than that. I think that as City Council members we have to make sure that we are doing what is in their best interest and not just our personal opinions. Haeker asked, Dyann, your two cents worth. Collins stated, Nope, nothing has changed. I still think that we should go with Waggoner insurance. Haeker asked, is that a motion. Collins stated I will let someone else go with a motion. Last time, I got beat. Motion by Casper, second by Collins, to remain with Waggoner Insurance. There being no further discussion upon the motion made and upon roll call vote, the following voted yes: Casper, Tripe, and Collins. Voting no: None. Motion carried.

Paul Waggoner stated that he appreciated it and Collins thanked Nate Fox for coming back again.

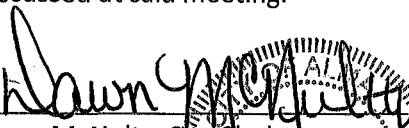
Motion to adjourn the meeting by Collins, second by Tripe. There being no further discussion upon the
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motion made and upon roll call vote, the following voted yes: Tripe, Casper, and Collins. Voting no: None. The meeting was adjourned at 4:39 p.m.




Hal Haeker, Mayor

I the undersigned Clerk hereby certify that the forgoing is a true and correct copy of the proceedings had and done by the Mayor and Council; that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the Clerk; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to said meeting; that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by members of the public; that the said minutes were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification concerning meetings of said body were provided advanced notification of the time place and of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting.



Dawn McNulty, City Clerk

The seal is circular with a double-line border. The outer ring contains the text "HARLAN CO., NEBRASKA" at the bottom and "OFFICIAL SEAL" at the top. The center of the seal features the word "SEAL" in large, bold, capital letters.