Almena City Council Minutes

The Almena City Council was called to order by President Bob Hawks at 7:00 PM on Monday, April 7th, 2025. Answering roll call were Bob Hawks, Kevin Sides, and Sarah Montgomery. A quorum was declared.

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

**Fire Chief Report** –Fire Chief had to leave before meeting started, and did not give a report.

**Visitor Recognition-** No visitors were present

**New Business**

* Substitute trash truck driver (Eddy) retiring- Names of others who might be interested in substitute driver position were brought up.
* Ordinance #462- (an amendment to Ordinance #460) This amendment was created to include details regarding fencing corner lots. APPROVED
* Quote presented for a 2nd Chlorine tester- A second Chlorine tester would ensure we have a back-up to use if ever needed and update our current tester. Motion to accept quoted price of $639.96, and if price is no longer available, permission to spend up to $700. MOTION CARRIED
* City-Wide clean up- date this year will be on April 28. All items to be sorted and placed at curb by 8am.
* Discussion regarding Library Director position for the Almena City Library.
* Building permit for Storage Shed at 601 Van Horn presented. APPROVED
* Housing codes for rental properties discussed. Houses considered blights will be addressed at next meeting.
* Need for generator discussed. Quotes for generator will be brought to next meeting.
* A motion was made to present a $100 memorial in honor of our City Librarian, Harold Rivera. MOTION CARRIED
* Curb replacement quote- The curb on the corner of Main and Bryant had more extensive work than originally estimated to replace it correctly. A motion was made to approve the increase quote by $1,000 to configure sidewalk to standard. MOTION CARRIED

**Old Business**

* Leak at 25998 Hwy 383 continued to be monitored
* Almena “Welcome” sign- KDOT will be contacted regarding keeping the placement of the sign where originally was before highway project, on the corner of Main and Hwy 383.
* Treasurer position to be filled- a job description will be created and posted

**Attorney Discussion/Report**

* Discussion on Amendment #462 and housing code information

**City Operator Report**

* Chip and Seal- problem streets identified. Proposal presented from B&H. Motion to approve proposal for an estimated spending of $64,000. MOTION CARRIED

**City Clerk Report**

* Discussion of possible grants for generator

**Deputy City Clerk Report**

* Main Street Memorial Park- Sign at Park to display image and work to be done in Phase 1, to be completed this week. Design of military symbols in process.
* 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 8:54pm. MOTION CARRIED.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, May5th, at 7PM.

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