

November 1, 2022

ALLIANCE CITY COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING, TUESDAY, November 1, 2022

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 CITY OF ALLIANCE)

The Alliance City Council met in a Regular Meeting, November 1, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. in the Alliance Learning Center Community Meeting Room, 1750 Sweetwater Avenue, Alliance, Nebraska. A notice of meeting was published in the Alliance Times Herald on October 26, 2022. The notice stated the date, hour and place of the meeting, that the meeting was open to the public, and that an agenda of the meeting, kept continuously current, was available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk in City Hall; provided the Council could modify the agenda at the meeting if it determined an emergency so required. A similar notice, together with a copy of the agenda, also had been delivered to each of the City Council Members. An agenda, kept continuously current, was available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk during regular business hours from the publication of the notice to the time of the meeting.

Mayor Dafney opened the November 1, 2022 regular meeting of the Alliance, Nebraska City Council at 7:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Dafney and Council members Mischnick, Bentley, Jones and McGhehey. Also present were City Attorney Hoelsing, City Manager Sorensen, Finance Director Waggener, City Treasurer Baker, and City Clerk Johnson.

- Mayor Dafney read the Open Meetings Act Announcement.
- The Consent Calendar was the first item on the agenda. A motion was made by Councilman Bentley and seconded by Councilman McGhehey to approve the Consent Calendar as follows:

CONSENT CALENDAR – November 1, 2022

1. **Approval:** Minutes of the Regular Meeting, October 18, 2022.
2. **Approval:** Payroll for October 21, 2022 in the amount of \$258,627.61.
3. **Approval:** Claims against the following funds: General, General Debt Service, Trust and Agency, Street, Electric, Refuse Collection and Disposal, Sanitary Sewer, Water, Golf Course, Downtown Improvement Districts, R.S.V.P., Keno, and Capital Improvement; \$1,148,087.23.
4. **For Your Information:** Attached is a listing of Demand Checks which were generated over the last financial quarter ending September 30, 2022. The report lists checks that have been issued which are not expenses within the budget. These are primarily made up of fund

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transfers, meter deposit refunds, utility overpayments and an occasional check which was required to be reissued.

5. Approval: Resolution No. 22-87 authorizes the Dispatch Agreements with the Volunteer Hemingford Fire Department and Hemingford Rural Fire District as Box Butte County Sheriff's Department no longer provides dispatch services.

NOTE: Manager Sorensen and Finance Director Waggener have reviewed these expenditures and to the best of their knowledge confirms that they are within budgeted appropriations to this point in the fiscal year.

Any item listed on the Consent Calendar may, by the request of any single Council Member, be considered as a separate item in the Regular Agenda.

- Next item on the agenda for Council was Resolution No. 22-88 which authorizes the transfer of \$40,000 from Council Contingency to the Fire Department as a result of a donation.

The following information was provided to Council:

[The City Council, at their regular meeting on September 6, 2022, approved Resolution No. 22-59, accepting a generous donation from WESTCO for \$40,000 to the Alliance Fire Department. WESTCO did this to show their appreciation for the fire department's efforts during WESTCO fire that occurred on June 28, 2022.

The City accepted this donation during the latter part of budgeting process; however, no spending authority is available in the approved budget for the fire department to access the donation. Fire Chief Shoemaker requests council contingency of \$40,000 to be placed in GL# 01-37-37-45-544, Small Tools and Equipment. This approval will give the fire department the ability to purchase replacement equipment and other small items that were not part of this year's regular operating budget.]

A motion was made by Councilman Jones, seconded by Councilman Bentley to approve Resolution No. 22-88 which follows in its entirety:

RESOLUTION NO. 22-88

WHEREAS, WESTCO of Alliance, NE donated Forty Thousand Dollars and No/100ths (\$40,000) to the Alliance Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, The Alliance City Council accepted this donation following the budget process making no spending authority available in the approved Fire Department budget to access the donated funds; and

WHEREAS, The Alliance Fire Department would like use of the funds in order to replace equipment and other items in the FY 2022-23 operating budget; and

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WHEREAS, Council Contingency has budget authority for FY 2022-23 to transfer Forty Thousand Dollars and No/100ths (\$40,000) to the Fire Department operating budget, Small Tools, Equipment (GL# 01-37-37-45-544); and

WHEREAS, The City Council believes this to be in the best interest of the City so the Fire Department can access the donated funds; and

WHEREAS, Forty Thousand Dollars and No/100ths (\$40,000) will be transferred from Council Contingency (GL# 01-10-10-47-791) to the Fire Department's Small Tools, Equipment (GL# 01-37-37-45-544).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Alliance, Nebraska, that the use of Forty Thousand Dollars and No/100ths (\$40,000) Council Contingency Funds is hereby authorized.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that budget authority is being transferred from Council Contingency (GL #01-10-10-47-791) to Small Tools, Equipment (GL #01-37-37-45-544) in the amount of Forty Thousand Dollars and No/100ths (\$40,000).

Roll call vote with the following results:

Voting Aye: Dafney, Mischnick, Jones, Bentley, and McGhehey.

Voting Nay: None.

Motion carried.

- The presentation and acceptance of the Fourth Quarter Financial Statement was next before Council.

Finance Director Waggener and City Treasurer Baker presented and reviewed the Fourth Quarter Financial Report and Dashboards to Council.

A motion was made by Councilman Bentley, seconded by Councilman Jones to accept the Fourth Quarter Financial Report.

Roll call with the following results:

Voting Aye: Dafney, Mischnick, Jones, Bentley, McGhehey.

Voting Nay: None.

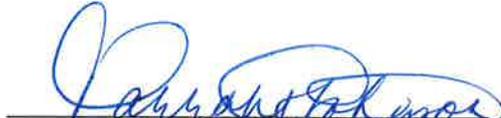
Motion carried.

There being no further business before Council, Mayor Dafney adjourned the meeting at 7:27 p.m.

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Mike Dafney, Mayor

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Tarrah S. Johnson, City Clerk

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