

**MINUTES
ALBION CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
FRIDAY, MARCH 26, 2010**

A Special Meeting of the Albion City Council of the City of Albion, Nebraska was convened in open and public session at 12:00 p.m., on March 26, 2010 in the Council Chambers. Present were Mayor James Jarecki, Councilmembers Riedmiller, absent were Warner, Rasmussen, Hoefer. City Employees present were City Administrator Devine, City Attorney Bird, Water Commissioner Morearty, City Engineer John Zwingman. Also present were Mike Grape, Joey Molt, Jeff Molt, David Molt, Jim Molt, Jason Molt, Don Salber. Notice of this meeting along with the agenda was simultaneously given in advance to all members of the Board. Notice of this meeting was given in advance by publication, a designated method for giving notice; a copy of proof of publication is attached to these minutes. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

There was not enough council members present for a quorum. Items can be reviewed, but not voted on.

3. APPROVE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 9, 2010 MEETING

This item will be addressed at the next regular meeting.

4. REVIEW PLANS AND SPECS FOR NEW WELL PROJECT

Zwingman said that the City is still in line to get 20% from the state. The City is still on the State's Intended Use Plan. This project is one of the top three projects on the plan. John had a conversation with the state to see if other funding sources are available. In order to receive the funding some specs had to be added. A section had to be added to the specs regarding the Davis Bacon Wage Rates, and this has been submitted to the state. We cannot proceed to bid until it is approved by the state. At the April meeting the Council will consider approving the Plans and Specs and then advertise for bids. At the May meeting bids will be accepted, and contracts will be awarded. Devine asked if this timeline will work for Steve McNulty, and John said that it will work as long as loan closes July 15th or later. Steve will look and see if any other A.R.R.A. funds are available.

John handed out the specs for the well. John has seven to eight questions on the well house. Ron has answered some of them already. One question was if we should just hire one contractor and then have them sub-contract out for the well house, or we bid it out separately. John discussed this with Andy, and it's John's opinion that if we bid it out to one contractor for all, then we don't have to deal with any scheduling. The one advantage of hiring two contractor's would be that it opens up to use of local contractors/materials. Andy and John discussed to have a line added to the specs that the City Of Albion strongly encourages the use of local labor, materials and supplies. This wouldn't be binding, it would just be a suggestion. Andy said that if there is only one contractor, it is simpler to deal with issues that way. John's plan is to have bi-weekly meetings to report on progress.

Ron is going to check on the size of his fluoridation equipment so there can be a separate room. John also mentioned on-site stand-by generation. He has contacted some different suppliers of generators, and will be getting some specs from them. The Mayor asked what the Kilowatt requirement would be, and John didn't have that information. The Mayor asked if a PTO-type connection could be hooked up for emergencies. Andy wasn't sure if would work for a variable speed pump. John thinks it could run off of a PTO, but it wouldn't be a variable speed when ran that way. John would like to have it self contained due to the weather. It might be difficult to gain access to that location in a blizzard.

Test Pump Issue: It will be test pumped at 1300 gal/minute. Ron had a concern with where that water will go. John said that this will be done in June, and thought it might benefit a farmer. Devine will talk to the property owners about this. It will be pumped for 48 hours straight.

Ron asked John what the gallons per minute would be of the production well. John said that he is hopeful for 1300 gallons per minute. Ron asked if a 125 hp motor will handle it. John said that it will be borderline, it could have to be bumped up to 150 hp.

The City currently uses a temporary easement as a road to get to the water tower. The access as originally platted comes from the east. John said that one option would be to get a permanent easement where the temporary easement currently exists. Devine will talk to the property owners about this.

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John said that state will want fencing around the water tower. Ron said that he can get a security grant for this.

John discussed the controls, and patterned the specs after T.M.S. (Technical Maintenance Systems). Ron liked their product, Andy didn't have a preference as long as the product works, and we'll be able to run it. The main controls will be radio controlled and will be moved into the wellhouse. It can be remotely accessed at the water computer or via cell phone. Andy said that adds consideration for Network Security. A light will need to be installed up there. Ron said that Loup will need some time to get power up to the site. Mayor Jarecki said John needs to contact Loup right away. Ron said that Loup will need to bring it in from 6th Street. The Plans and Specs will be submitted for approval.

5. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF INSURANCE RENEWAL AND INVOICE FROM CORNERSTONE INSURANCE

Andy explained that the insurance renewal increased by just under \$1,000. The new fire hall, lift station, and jetter truck were added. There is an invoice due before the renewal date. The original insurance bid was approved for 3 years. This invoice can be paid under that authorization/approval.

6. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF INVOICES FROM NORTHEAST ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

This will be addressed at the next regular City Council meeting.

7. ADJOURN

At 12:38 p.m. Mayor Jarecki adjourned the meeting.

I the undersigned Clerk hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of proceedings had and done by the Mayor and Council; that all subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the Agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and available for inspection at the office of the Clerk; that such subjects were contained in said Agenda for at least 24 hours prior to said meeting; that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for the examination and copying of the public; that 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 next media requesting notification of meetings of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and subjects to be discussed at said meeting.

Jim Jarecki, Mayor

ATTEST:

Andrew Devine, City Clerk