

**January 13, 2020**

## **Alleman Iowa City Council Meeting Minutes**

Bob Kramme, Mayor

Council Members,, Bill Stevens, Arlene Sampson, Perry Smith, David Wilcox, Carmella Jones

### **Council Minutes**

Alleman City Council met Monday January 13, 2020 at 7pm in City Hall. Mayor Pro Tem Jones called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Mayor Pro Tem Jones asked for a roll call. Council members present: Arlene Sampson, David Wilcox, Perry Smith and Bill Stevens. Mayor Kramme was absent

City personnel present : Shari Buehler City Clerk, Ric Long Director of Public Works, Garrett Ley

Guests were Sue Stevens and Sandra Comegys

Approval of Minutes from the December 9, 2019 Alleman City Council meeting was made by Bill Stevens, seconded by David Wilcox, Perry Smith Abstained, and the motion was approved.

### **Public Forum**

Sue Stevens gave a report to the council about redoing the Dennler Drive signs. The signs belong to that neighborhood. Sue is sending a letter out to those residents asking for donations to cover the costs.

Carmella Jones made a motion to have the city make a \$200.00 donation to the project, Arlene Sampson seconded and the motion was approved.

Ric Long did purchase the sign boards and paint. Bill Stevens asked to have Ric Long reimbursed, David Wilcox seconded and the motion was approved.

Sandra Comegys spoke to the council about the City the letter she received in regards to an abandoned vehicle on her property. She told council she needs the van to get her handicap grandsons around. She stated that she did get the van license updated, got a new battery, and will get the tires inflated. Mrs Comegys promised she would move the van on a regular basis. Council agreed and made sure she understands this is her one break, the van will be impounded if she doesn't follow thru. Motion was made by David Wilcox to make this a non junk vehicle, Carmella Jones seconded and the motion was approved.

### **Reports of Advisory Boards and Commissions**

**Sheriff Report:** There was no Sheriff's Report given.

#### **Street Report:**

The Street Report was given by Public Works Director Ric Long. Long spoke about recent snow removal and the state of current City trucks. New truck should be here in a few more weeks. 2013 truck had shocks replaced. There was damage done to the Polk County stop signs at 6th and 142nd. Polk County asked the city to remove a sign for the Church to another

sign post. David Wilcox motioned for the street report to be approved, Bill Stevens seconded and the motion was approved.

**Park and Recreation Report:**

There was no Park and Rec meeting. Liaison Arlene Sampson gave a brief review of events she would like the park and rec board to consider this year including the 3rd annual Mayors Walk. Work needs to be done to the little free library next to city hall. Sampson will be looking into replacing the box and doing a book drive.

David Wilcox motioned for the Park and Rec report to be approved, Bill Stevens seconded and the motion was approved.

**Planning and Zoning Report:**

There was no Planning and Zoning meeting in December

**Board of Adjustments Report:**

There was no Board of Adjustments meeting in December

**Web Report**

The Web report was given by Garrett Ley. cityofalleman.org had 115 visits in December. Ley will be working on a new format for the monthly council minutes and agendas.

**Approval of Financials and Invoices:**

Financials were presented for the month of January. Bill Stevens made a motion for the finances and invoices to be approved, Carmella Jones seconded and the motion was approved.

**ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS**

Junk Vehicles Letters

Letters will be sent a second time through regular mail. City Attorney Jim Thornton will look into storage and towing fees and how to enforce.

Dog Bite Letter

Letter will be resent through regular mail. City Attorney will look into fee enforcement.

Council Assignments

Mayor Kramme stated he made changes to the liaisons for the purpose of balancing out the workload. Council assignments will change each year. There may be changes made to this years assignments but if that were to happen it would not be until March 2020.

**Old Business:**

**New Business:**

January 22, 2020 meeting with Iowa State Students about the Alleman 2040 plan. Professor Borich has asked Alleman for a committee of 5-7 residents to come speak to his class about the history of Alleman, future plans, life in Alleman in general.

**Adjourned:**

At 8:15 Bill Stevens asked if there was any further city business. All Ayes and Mayor Pro Tem Carmella Jones closed the January 13, 2019 Council Meeting.

Next Council Meeting will be February 10, 2020 at 7pm.

Respectfully Submitted By Shari Buehler City Clerk

**City of Alleman  
December 2019 Claims Report**

Ankeny Sanitation \$1,548.45  
Consumers Energy \$377.94  
Gatehouse Media \$102.80  
General Fire \$ 44.00 (Fire Extinguishers)  
Heartland CO-OP \$140.92  
Johnson Controls \$165.54 (Building Alarm)  
Menards \$243.47  
Metro Waste Authority \$541.94  
Mid-American Energy \$503.44  
Polk County Treasurer \$1,101.00 (Police)  
Polk County Public Works \$626.50 (Street Maintenance)  
O'Reilly Auto Parts \$ 77.73  
Schnurr & Company \$1,700.00 (Accounting Services)  
Thornton and Coy \$137.50(Legal Services)  
Tim's Amoco \$15.15  
Veridian \$266.47 (Office Supplies )  
Verizon \$94.76 (Public Works Phone)  
Windstream \$88.13 (City Hall Phone)  
Des Moines Water Works \$71.44 (North Water Pump House)  
City of Ankeny \$10,095.36 (Fire Protection)  
US Post Office \$ 64.00 (Box Rent 2020)  
Russell's Trophies \$125.94 (City Council)  
Iowa League of Cities \$40.00 (City Council)  
TOTAL: \$18,163.43