

ALTURA CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
August 3, 2023

- Call to Order Mayor, John Mask called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Brad Brouwer, Kathie Burns, Paige Ellinghuysen, and Yvonne Ruhoff were present. Dan Horvat, Matt Neumann, Ray Badillo, Trisha Badillo, Scott Herber, Michelle Herber, Eric Hilke, Bryce Hilke, and Ross Herber were present.
- Pledge of Allegiance.
- Monthly Minutes Kathie Burns made a motion to accept the last month's minutes. Yvonne Ruhoff seconded. Motion carried.
- Monthly Disbursements/Receipts Kathie Burns made a motion to accept the City and Fire receipts and disbursements. Yvonne Ruhoff seconded. Motion carried.
- Maintenance Report The Maintenance Report was given by Dan. Paige Ellinghuysen made a motion to purchase 2 infant swings at \$250 for the school park. Kathie Burns seconded. Motion carried. Kathie Burns and Taylor Neumann will form a committee for ideas and a name for the school park.
- Planning Commission The Council is in favor of the Commission continuing to work on an ordinance to include chickens.
- Fire Department Dan Horvat, Chief, reported there were no calls, but assisted in a missing persons search and storm spotting. They continue to apply for equipment grants.
- Ambulance Department There was no to report.
- Treasury Report The Treasurer's Report was given by the Clerk. Yvonne Ruhoff made a motion to approve. Kathie Burns seconded. Motion carried.
- Old Business
- School building The Council will hold a town meeting after their next meeting to discuss ideas of how the school property would serve the community best.
- Memorial Park Examples of the pavers available to purchase are at City Hall. \$100000 was received from the Wanek Foundation toward the park.
- Altura Hometown Fest Paige Ellinghuysen presented the finalized schedule of events. Kathie Burns made a motion to waive the noise ordinance until 11:30 for that night. Yvonne Ruhoff seconded. Motion carried.
- Water/Sewer Ordinance 23-01 Michelle Herber presented the Council DHIA records and letter from Dr. James Bennett from Northern Valley Livestock Services regarding the impact of their herd when they used their own well. Eric Hilke also reported his conception rates. The Council will review.
- New Business
- Tax levy The Council will set the tax levy next month.
- Insurance Values The Council discussed value to insure the Veterans Memorial at \$250000 and the School playground at 113000.
- Adjourn Brad Brouwer made a motion to adjourn at 7:10 p.m. Paige Ellinghuysen seconded. Motion carried.
- Respectfully submitted:

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Sandra Pasche  
City Clerk

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John Mask  
**Mayor**