

Almena City Council Minutes

The Almena City Council was called to order by Mayor Tracy Stutsman at 7:00 PM on Wednesday 5/7/2025. Answering roll call were Bob Hawks, Ethan Hays, and Brain Sproul. A quorum was declared. Minutes were read and approved from the April 7th, 2025, meeting. MOTION CARRIED with an added word to clarify.

Fire Chief Report –Fire Chief not present

Visitor Recognition- No visitors were present

New Business

- Email with informational documents from Dallas Gosselin from Norton Co Economic Development. Dallas will discuss documents regarding Neighborhood Revitalization Program (NPR) at next month's city council meeting.
- Notification Letters were mailed out to customers regarding the testing violations in 2024.
- 409 Washington building permit for carport presented- Approved.

Old Business

- The Library is recruiting for the Library Director position. Applications are being taken until 5/23/2025. Deputy City Clerk is working as interim Library Director until position is filled.
- Treasurer position was further discussed – it is determined that financial oversight is needed.
- Street repairs and generator purchase- options were discussed. A motion was made to pull money out of the money market account for these costs vs. cashing out a CD. MOTION CARRIED
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Attorney Discussion/Report (Attorney not present)

City Operator Report

- Trash Truck – currently awaiting part for repair. New trash pick-up date tentatively scheduled for 5/9/2025
- Request for radio installed in truck- request granted
- Report on City Wide Clean-up- Several houses had unsorted piles in front of the house and therefore were not picked up. It will now be the responsibility of the resident to take it to the landfill.
- Street Repairs will begin as soon as temperatures rise above 80 degrees.

City Clerk Report

- Grants discussed- We now qualify for Community Development Block Grant and are awaiting to hear back from KDOC grant that was applied for in February.
- Quickbooks costs were increased from last year by 54% to utilize program. Checking other options.

Deputy City Clerk Report

- Main Street Memorial Park- no update at this time
- 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 8:06pm. MOTION CARRIED.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, June 2nd, at 7PM.

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