

Mayor Mapes called a regular meeting of the Alma City Commission to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Alma Municipal Building. A quorum of the Commission was present.

*Roll Call*

Present: Roger Allman, Andrew Bare, Laurie Harrison, Greg Mapes, Michelle Pitts, and Danny Wernick.  
Absent: Roxann Harrington.

**2023-176 Motion by Commissioner Allman, seconded by Commissioner Harrison, to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion carried.**  
**Yes: Allman, Bare, Harrison, Mapes, Pitts, and Wernick.**  
**No: none.**  
**Absent: Harrington.**

Mayor Mapes led those present in a recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America.

*Minutes*

**2023-0177 Motion by Commissioner Allman, seconded by Commissioner Pitts, to approve minutes of the June 13, 2023, regular meeting, as presented. Motion carried.**  
**Yes: Allman, Bare, Harrison, Mapes, Pitts, and Wernick.**  
**No: none.**  
**Absent: Harrington.**

*Requests for Purchase*

**2023-0178 Motion by Commissioner Pitts, seconded by Commissioner Bare, to approve a request for purchase to DBI Interiors, in the amount of \$33,897.44, for purchase, delivery, and installation of office furniture for 3 offices, lobby, and common area at Alma Transit.**  
**Yes: Allman, Bare, Harrison, Mapes, Pitts, and Wernick.**  
**No: none.**  
**Absent: Harrington.**  
**Resolution declared adopted.**

*Resolutions*

**2023-0179 Motion by Commissioner Allman, seconded by Commissioner Wernick, to approve the following FY 2023 budget amendments.**

- a. To increase the Human Resources Expenditure Budget \$5,000 to cover the projected increased costs in fringe benefits in the current year.
- b. To increase the Police Expenditure Budget \$10,000 to cover the projected increased costs in fringe benefits in the current year.
- c. To increase the Engineering Expenditure Budget \$5,500 to cover the projected increased costs in fringe benefits in the current year.
- d. To increase the Downtown Maintenance Expenditure Budget \$5,000 to cover the projected increased costs in equipment rental ISF charges in the current year.
- e. To increase the Riverside Cemetery Expenditure Budget \$45,000 to cover the projected increased costs in salaries/wages, fringe benefits, and equipment rental ISF charges in the current year.
- f. To increase the Planning & Zoning Expenditure Budget \$15,000 to cover the projected increased costs in contract fees related to contractual building permits services from Gratiot County due to increased permit volume in the current year compared to previous fiscal years.
- g. To increase the Parks & Recreation Expenditure Budget \$14,500 to cover projected increased costs in equipment rental ISF charges in the current year.
- h. To increase Intergovernmental Revenue \$100,000 for increased state shared revenue received through the Local Community Stabilization Act (LCSA) payments in the current fiscal year.

**Yes: Allman, Bare, Harrison, Mapes, Pitts, and Wernick.**  
**No: none.**

**Absent:** Harrington.  
**Resolution declared adopted.**

*Reports*

**2023-0180** Motion by Commissioner Pitts, seconded by Commissioner Bare, to receive the following reports: Planning Commission June 5, 2023 Draft Meeting Minutes and Gratiot Community Airport Authority June 22, 2023 Draft Meeting Minutes. Motion carried.  
**Yes:** Allman, Bare, Harrison, Mapes, Pitts, and Wernick.  
**No:** none.  
**Absent:** Harrington.

**2023-0181** Motion by Commissioner Pitts, seconded by Commissioner Allman, to receive the City Manager's Newsletter.

City Manager Aeric Ripley reviewed items in his newsletter. He noted the downtown parking lot construction project will begin July 10<sup>th</sup>. He also provided a status update on the airport operations transition, the Parks master planning process, and Parks Spark Grant applications. He reminded the Commission of the transit needs study presented at the previous meeting and asked if the Commission wished to pursue a county-wide transit system. Discussion followed. A general consensus of members directed staff to provide the information to other municipalities and agencies and wait to hear if there was enough interest to pursue the expansion.

**Motion to receive the City Manager's Newsletter carried.**  
**Yes:** Allman, Bare, Harrison, Mapes, Pitts, and Wernick.  
**No:** none.  
**Absent:** Harrington.

*New Business*

**2023-0182** Motion by Commissioner Pitts, seconded by Commissioner Allman, to adopt a resolution ratifying the investment of the following City funds:

Investment Date	Maturity Date	Amount	Duration	Interest Rate	Bank	Type
6/21/2023	1/21/2024	\$250,000	7 months	4.25%	Commerical Bank	CD

**Yes:** Allman, Bare, Harrison, Mapes, Pitts, and Wernick.  
**No:** none.  
**Absent:** Harrington.  
**Resolution declared adopted.**

*Appropriations*

**2023-0183** Motion by Commissioner Allman, seconded by Commissioner Bare, to adopt a resolution approving Warrant No. 23-24, and authorizing the City Treasurer to issue checks in payment of all claims.

**Yes:** Allman, Bare, Harrison, Mapes, Pitts, and Wernick.  
**No:** none.  
**Absent:** Harrington.  
**Resolution declared adopted.**

*Commissioner Comments*

Commissioner Pitts thanked the Library for their summer programming. She also offered thanks to the group "To Serve" for their community service in town. Commissioner Bare offered compliments on the new mural behind the Block House and spoke of the upcoming "Evening in the Park" events at Wright Park. Commissioner Allman spoke about the county parks millage, and brief conversation followed with audience member, Jan Bunting. He also mentioned the upcoming production of Lion King Jr. Mayor Mapes also spoke regarding the county parks millage.

*Invitation to Public*

Jan Bunting asked the Commission to consider creating a listing of available rentals for people seeking such information.

*Adjournment*

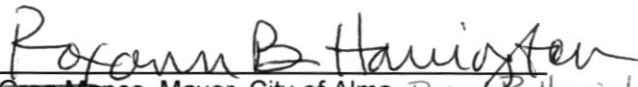
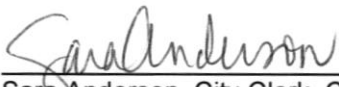
**Motion by Commissioner Allman, seconded by Commissioner Bare, to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 p.m.**

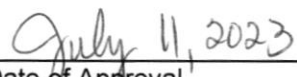
**Motion carried.**

**Yes: Allman, Bare, Harrison, Mapes, Pitts, and Wernick.**

**No: none.**

**Absent: Harrington.**

  
Vice Mayor, City of Alma,   
City Clerk, City of Alma

  
Date of Approval