

**City of Alma
Planning Commission Minutes
November 6, 2023**

Planning Commission Chair Heather Therrien called a regular meeting of the Alma Planning Commission to order at 6:00 p.m. at the Alma Municipal Building. A quorum of the Planning Commission was present.

Present: Justin Fonley, Sonia Gibson, David Justin, Greg Mapes, Michelle Pitts, Ellen Richter, and Heather Therrien.

Absent: Jessica Gilkins.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Justin, seconded by Mapes, to approve minutes of the October 2, 2023, regular meeting. Motion carried.

Yes: Fonley, Gibson, Justin, Mapes, Pitts, Richter and Therrien.

No: none.

Absent: Gilkins.

City Manager Aeric Ripley reviewed the status of the Master Planning progress and provided information regarding the current online public survey and upcoming meetings, including a public input meeting January 17, 2024. Ripley asked Commission members to complete the survey.

City Manager Ripley presented a draft of an ordinance regarding solar energy for consideration. Discussion followed regarding household systems and permitting. Ripley explained a large solar array is currently under construction on nearly 430 acres in a neighboring township.

Other Business

No business was put forward.

Invitation to Public

No public comment was offered.

Adjourn

Motion by Justin, seconded by Mapes, to adjourn the meeting at 6:07 p.m. Motion carried.

Yes: Fonley, Gibson, Justin, Mapes, Pitts, Richter and Therrien.

No: none.

Absent: Gilkins.

Sara Anderson, Alma City Clerk

Date of Approval