

Mayor Mapes called a regular meeting of the Alma City Commission to order at 6:00 p.m. The virtual meeting was held via Zoom.com and livestreamed through the City of Alma's YouTube channel. A quorum of the Commission was present via Zoom for the meeting.

*Roll Call*

Present: Roger Allman (Alma, MI), Roxann Harrington (Alma, MI), Greg Mapes (Alma, MI), Nick Piccolo (Storm Lake, IA), Michelle Pitts (Alma, MI), Audra Stahl (Alma, MI), and Danny Wernick (Alma, MI). All appeared via Zoom.

Absent: none.

**Motion by Commissioner Piccolo, seconded by Commissioner Allman, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.**

**Yes: Allman, Harrington, Mapes, Piccolo, Pitts, Stahl, and Wernick.**

**No: none.**

Mayor Mapes led meeting participants in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America.

*Approval of Minutes*

**Motion by Vice-Mayor Harrington, seconded by Commissioner Wernick, to approve minutes of the May 25, 2021 regular meeting, as presented. Motion carried.**

**Yes: Allman, Harrington, Mapes, Piccolo, Pitts, Stahl, and Wernick.**

**No: none.**

*Petitions*

*Communications*

*Hearings*

*Requests for Purchase*

**2021-0097 Motion by Commissioner Allman, seconded by Commissioner Piccolo, to adopt a resolution approving a request for purchase in the amount of \$82,068.00 to OHM Advisors for engineering services on the Francisco Avenue sanitary sewer and street reconstruction project. Motion carried.**

**Yes: Allman, Harrington, Mapes, Piccolo, Pitts, Stahl, and Wernick.**

**No: none.**

**Resolution declared adopted.**

*Recommendation on Bids*

*Resolutions*

*Appointments*

*Ordinances*

*Agreements*

*Reports*

**Motion by Commissioner Allman, seconded by Commissioner Wernick, to receive the following reports: Alma Transit May 2021 Report and Building Permits Report for May 2021. Motion carried.**

**Yes: Allman, Harrington, Mapes, Piccolo, Pitts, Stahl, and Wernick.**

**No: none.**

**Motion by Commissioner Piccolo, seconded by Commissioner Allman, to receive the City Manager's June 4, 2021 Report.**

City Manager Matt Schooley reviewed the following items in his newsletter:

- 401 E Warwick Update
- American Rescue Plan Session
- Return to In-Person Meetings
- Glencoe Parking
- Updated COVID MIOSHA Plan
- Special Public Hearing of Planning Commission

Brief discussions were held regarding some of the items. The Commission agreed on June 23, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. for a work session related to planning for use of ARP funds. The work session will likely be a hybrid session with Commissioners attending in person and others appearing via Zoom. The tentative date for resuming in-person Commission meetings is July 6, 2021, depending on whether an alternate location can be confirmed and no additional COVID restrictions. A public hearing will be held by the Planning Commission for review of a conditional rezoning request from Bethany Christian Services and Masonic Home on July 12, 2021 at the Alma High School. Additional discussion followed regarding the sidewalk in front of 401 E. Warwick.

**Motion to receive the City Manager's report carried.**

**Yes: Allman, Harrington, Mapes, Piccolo, Pitts, Stahl, and Wernick.**

**No: none.**

*Unfinished Business*

*New Business*

*Appropriations*

**2021-0098 Motion by Commissioner Pitts, seconded by Commissioner Piccolo, to adopt a resolution approving Warrant No. 21-11 and authorizing the City Treasurer to issue checks in payment of all claims.**

**Yes: Allman, Harrington, Mapes, Piccolo, Pitts, Stahl, and Wernick.**

**No: none.**

**Resolution declared adopted.**

*Commissioner's Comments*

Commissioner Pitts thanked Aeric Ripley for his work watering the downtown flower containers. Commissioner Stahl spoke about a vote by the Gratiot County Commission last week to save the CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate) program and provide funding through the American Rescue Plan for at least a couple of years. Mayor Mapes talked about the Highland Festival Experience being a success and he offered kudos to the Highland Festival Committee for their work.

*Invitation to Public*

Don Ayers, Chairperson of the Alma Planning Commission, spoke briefly about the public hearing being set for review of the Mason Home request for conditional rezoning. He is planning a time limit for public comment in order to allow for everyone to have a chance to speak.

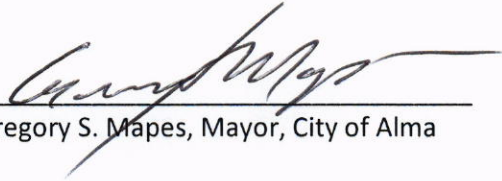
*Adjournment*

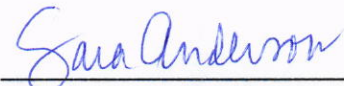
**Motion by Commissioner Piccolo, seconded by Commissioner Pitts, to adjourn the meeting at 6:23 p.m.**

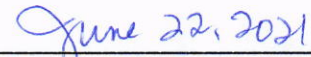
**Motion carried.**

**Yes: Allman, Harrington, Mapes, Piccolo, Pitts, Stahl and Wernick.**

**No: none.**

  
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Gregory S. Mapes, Mayor, City of Alma

  
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Sara Anderson, City Clerk, City of Alma

  
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Date of Approval