

**MINUTES
CITY OF ALTAMONT
April 28, 2022**

- REGULAR MEETING The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM with Mayor Richard Hayward presiding. Mayor Hayward opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and prayer. Councilmembers present: Ben Cochran, Raymond Coffey, Kyle Wiford, Lyle Sykes and Cameron Johnston.
- MINUTES Councilmember Cochran moved and Sykes seconded to approve the minutes from April 14, 2022. Motion carried.
- INVOICES Councilmember Johnston moved and Cochran seconded to approve payment of invoices in the amount of \$84,559.78. Motion carried.
- JODY SPARKS Jody wasn't able to be in attendance, therefore the item was tabled for the next meeting.
- ORDINANCE #637 Annexation is being requested by Ralph (Junior) & Arra Whittley, to place a house on their property that isn't considered to be in City Limits. Robert Myers would like to know if the property is an island or if it has three sides of property that is in City Limits. Robert Myers is concerned that we don't have statutory ability to annex them in, he will pull some maps and have them ready for the next meeting.
- KMGA The Council was provided with an update from KMGA in their packets.
- POLICE RADIOS On September 3rd Council approved the purchase of police radios from Commenco, financing through US Bank at an interest rate of 3.69%. US Bank is now trying to say that the interest rate will be 4.47%. US Bank informed LeaAnn that the contract had not commenced, as we hadn't received all of the equipment to date. US Bank never signed the lease agreement after it had been signed by the City, so therefore there is no binding contract between the City of Altamont and US Bank. LeaAnn Myers informed the Council that a local bank had provided a good interest rate on a vehicle lease, and she would like to check with them on this lease purchase as well. LeaAnn Myers will work on getting a new lease purchase agreement, and provide the paperwork at the next meeting.
- POLICE VEHICLE The 2017 RAM police truck was taken to a Dodge Dealership, where it was confirmed that the motor was blown in the truck. The motor has lost compression on two cylinders and has metal in the oil. Michael Shields went to Matthews Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram in Vinita, Oklahoma to test drive a 2020 RAM 1500 Classic Warlock with 25,057 miles and a price of \$44,500.00, Chief Shields said the RAM 1500 was clean, had been well taken care of and drove great.
- The Utility Department would like the 2017 RAM to be transferred to them, and they would pay to have the motor replaced.
- Councilmember Wiford doesn't think the Warlock would be a good option for a Patrol Vehicle being a lifted truck with bigger tires. Councilmember Cochran doesn't have any problem with the Warlock that has been found.
- The lease agreement through Labette Bank would be a 24 month lease at 2.25% for two years. There would be 2 annual payments with the 1st payment coming due 12 months after signing of the lease and will be \$12,922.94.
- LeaAnn Myers suggested paying \$20,000.00 down on the 2020 RAM Warlock, using \$14,000.00 from the Municipal Equipment Fund to offset the price to transfer the 2017 RAM to the Utility Department; as well as \$6,000.00 out of the Public Safety Equipment Fund and a two year lease through Labette Bank on the remaining balance.
- Councilmember Johnston moved and Cochran seconded to approve the 2020 RAM 4X4 in the amount of \$44,799.00, and create a lease purchase with Labette Bank for the amount of financing a 24 month lease, for the first payment coming due 12 months after signing will be \$12,922.94 for the total purchase price at \$25,000.00 at 2.25% interest. Motion Carried.
- Councilmember Cochran moved to transfer the 2017 RAM from the Altamont Police Department to the Utility Department with the motor replacement cost being paid out of the Municipal Equipment Reserve Fund. Motion Carried.
- Councilmember Cochran moved and Coffey seconded to approve the quote for the motor replacement from Quality Motors in Independence, in the amount of \$10,034.02. Motion Carried.

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CITY ADMINISTRATOR

1. **Pool** – Luke Wolgamott has signed and returned the 2022 Pool Contract
 - a. Accepting applications for open lifeguard positions
 - b. We have six lifeguards returning this year
 - c. Paige March will be training our lifeguards again this year
 - d. The Utility Department ordered paint to paint the pool
 - e. The Pool will open on Saturday, May 28
2. **McLiney and Company** – Completed new lease purchase paperwork for the Compact Tractor through Marion National Bank
3. **Police Truck** – Reviewed options with Chief Shields regarding the repair or replacement of the 2017 Police truck
4. **Leadership Labette** – Ordered trees through Leadership Labette
5. **Hay Bids** – Contacted Bradley Herold about winning the hay bid. He has already paid.
6. **Annual Reports** – Completed the Annual Electric Report EIA-861S
7. **Quarterly Reports** – Bridget Nash completed the quarterly wastewater report.
8. **Grant Writing** – Heather Beasley is preparing to test for her grand writing certificate through Fort Hays State University
9. **City-Wide Rummage Sales** – Bridget Nash completed the City-Wide Rummage Sales maps for the sales on April 30th
10. **Water Tower Maintenance** – Completed the water tower maintenance agreement for interior washout and coating maintenance with Cunningham Sandblasting. The maintenance is scheduled for April 28th.
11. **Dean Ruark** – Spoke with Dean Ruark who has been long term camping at the Lake. He stated his camper would be moved on Saturday, April 30th
12. **New Police Officers** – Processed new employee paperwork
13. **HELP** – Attended the monthly HELP meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS

City Wide Rummage Sales are Saturday, April 30
Bulk Trash is May 2-4. Items must be set out by Wednesday, May 4 by noon. We do not accept tires or building demolition.
Altamont Pool opens Saturday, May 28 at 1PM. Pool passes can be purchased or added to your Altamont utility bill by contacting the City Office

ADJOURN

Councilmember Cochran moved and Coffey seconded to adjourn. Motion carried. 8:01PM

DATE

Heather Beasley, City Clerk