

CITY OF ALTAMONT

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ALTAMONT CITY COUNCIL

Mayor Richard Hayward

Councilmembers: Ben Cochran, Raymond Coffey,
Cameron Johnston, Lyle Sykes and Kyle Wiford

November 29, 2022

7:00 PM Regular Meeting

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & PRAYER

MINUTES - Regular meeting of November 10, 2022

INVOICES - **\$75,023.38**

PUBLIC COMMENT & GUESTS

A.

ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS /PROCLAMATIONS

A.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Building Repairs
- B. Lansdowne Garden
- C. Electric Upgrade
- D. Employee Raises

NEW BUSINESS

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TABLED & PENDING BUSINESS

- A. Old Fire Department Building Demolition
- B. War Veteran Memorial
- C. Electric Rate Increase
- D. Sewer Rate Increase

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

- A. City Administrator
- B. Water District Update

EXECUTIVE SESSION MOTION



COMMUNICATIONS:

- Council Dates for 2022
 - Thursday, December 8
 - Tuesday, December 27
- Christmas Parade - December 9th at 7 PM

ADJOURNMENT

**MINUTES
CITY OF ALTAMONT
November 10, 2022**

BUDGET AMENDMENT	The budget amendment hearing was held prior to the regular scheduled meeting at 6:50PM. The actual expenditures were higher than the amount which had originally been budgeted for 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 & Cameron Johnston.
MINUTES	Councilmember Cochran moved and Coffey seconded to approve the minutes of the City of Altamont from October 27, 2022. Motion carried.
INVOICES	Councilmember Johnston moved and Wiford seconded the payment of invoices in the amount of \$46,942.87. Motion carried.
KATHY WETZSTEIN	<p>Kathy Wetzstein was present to request an extended stay at Idle Hour Lake. Kathy and her husband are here taking care of his father and aren't sure how long he will need their care.</p> <p>Councilmember Johnston moved and Cochran seconded to grant an extension to the end of first quarter, the end of March 2023. Motion Carried.</p>
BUILDING REPAIRS	<p>At the March 10, 2022 meeting, Council approved Cook's services to replace the roof, walls and steel door in the utility building behind Altamont Police Department.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) The doors have been replaced but they haven't made arrangements to complete the roof and walls. With the recent rain, there has been water standing in the building. b) Brad Myers has reached out a few times but never received a time frame of when they would be able to finish the project. c) LeaAnn left messages for Brock Cook on October 26th, October 28th, and November 3rd with no response. <p>Brad is reaching out to some different contractors to get new bids for this project.</p> <p>Council would like LeaAnn to continue reaching out to Mr. Cook in order to fix the existing problem with the garage door.</p>
KMGA UPDATE	Council was provided a KMGA member update letter in their packets. Gas prices are expected to be 22% higher this winter over last winter, as well as the transportation increase.
UTV POKER RUN	Bridget Nash provided a letter for Council with results from the Altamont Recreation Commission UTV Poker Run. The 2 nd Annual Chasing Daylight UTV Poker Run was held on Saturday November 5, 2022 and brought in almost \$700.00 after expenses for the Recreation Commission. Bridget said the Recreation Commission is still learning and will make adjustments as needed for future the future events.
BUDGET AMMENDMENT	<p>The Municipal Equipment Reserve Fund was budgeted at \$57,044.00 for expenditures for 2022. The City of Altamont would like to amend the 2022 Budget to \$115,000.000 for Municipal Equipment Reserve expenditures.</p> <p>Councilmember Johnston moved and Cochran seconded to approve the budget amendment for 2022. Motion Carried.</p>
LANDSDOWNE GARDEN	<p>Heather Beasley proposed the idea of making the current open space of Landsdowne Garden into a pocket park, community patio area. The space would provide seating for the community to enjoy as well as a spot for food trucks to park. The possibility of having an area for raised beds for a community garden, as well as holding community events would hopefully encourage more community support and involvement. Council likes the concept of having the pocket park and will brainstorm their ideas to bring back to the next meeting.</p> <p>Council would like to move forward with plans and ideas for Landsdowne. Council would like Heather to look into grant possibilities for the project as well.</p>
CITY ADMINISTRATOR	<p>1) Budget Amendment Hearing – On November 10, 2022 at 6:50PM City Council held a budget adjustment hearing for the Municipal Equipment Reserve fund. This will allow us to be in compliance with our 2022 expenditures, which includes lease purchase payments for the trash truck, track loader, Ditch Witch, and trencher.</p> <p>2) Phone Service – The City was without long distance from October 20th through November 1st due to an outage with the phone company.</p>

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This created an issue for the Police and Utility Departments for transferring the phones in the evenings and on weekends.

3) Police Officer Opening – We are currently accepting applications for two full-time police officers. Information can be found at www.altamontks.com

4) Burn Site – The burn site is currently closed to the public until the burn ban is lifted and we can burn the brush already at the site.

5) Annual Evaluations – Supervisors have completed employee annual evaluations for their employees.

6) Electric Upgrade – Twin Valley and the Altamont Utility Department have started the electric upgrade and pole replacement project from Wabash Avenue east towards Karner Avenue a half block north of 4th Street.

7) Lead and Copper – Heather Beasley has been talking to residents as they come in our office about the Lead and Copper letters. Every resident will need to return their letter to the City Office as part of the EPA requirements for Lead and Copper reporting.

8) Solid Waste – The solid waste rate meeting is scheduled for November 16th at 2PM.

9) Building Repairs – At the March 10, 2022 meeting, Council approved Cook's Services to replace the roof, walls and steel door in the utility building behind the Altamont Police Department.

a) The doors have been replaced but they haven't made arrangements to complete the roof and the walls. With the recent rain, there has been water standing in the building.

b) Brad Myers has reached out a few times but never received a time frame of when they would be able to finish the project.

c) LeaAnn left messages for Brock Cook on October 26, October 28, and November 3 with no response.

d) Brad is reaching out to some different contractors to get new bids for this project.

10) Council Videographer – Hired Miss Izzy Hall to be the new Council Videographer.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilmember Cochran moved and Coffey seconded for the City Council recess into executive session to discuss an individual employee's performance pursuant to the non-elected personnel matter exception, K.S.A. 75-4319 (b) (1) to include the City Administrator: The open meeting will resume in the City Council Room at 8PM. Motion carried.

The regular meeting resumed after executive session in the City Council Room at 8PM

Councilmember Cochran moved and Coffey seconded to approve the employee pay raises per the City Administrator recommendations, effective the first pay period in January, 2023. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

- Council Dates for 2022
 - Tuesday, November 29
 - Thursday, December 8
 - Tuesday, December 27
- City Office will be closed November 11 for Veteran's Day
- City Office will be closed November 24 – 25 for Thanksgiving
- Christmas Parade – December 9th at 7PM

ADJOURN

Councilmember Cochran moved and Johnston seconded to adjourn. Motion carried.
8:02PM

DATE

Heather Beasley, City Clerk

AP Check Register (APLT43)

City of Altamont

		Check No	Check Date	Vendor No	Vendor Name	Check Amount
Bank No:	1	Account: 006572				
		36127	11/29/2022	885	ADVANCE INSURANCE COMPANY	\$58.30
		36128	11/29/2022	79500	Als Fitness Center	\$210.00
		36129	11/29/2022	160	ALTAMONT RECREATION COMMISSION	\$50.00
		36130	11/29/2022	80474	Altec Parts	\$65.32
		36131	11/29/2022	240	B&L Waterworks Supply	\$324.00
		36132	11/29/2022	248	BAUGHER EQUIPMENT, INC.	\$155.90
		36133	11/29/2022	80351	Bridget Nash	\$192.27
		36134	11/29/2022	80464	Brightspeed	\$454.44
		36135	11/29/2022	80478	Charles Smith	\$40.00
		36136	11/29/2022	60	CITY OF ALTAMONT	\$40.00
		36137	11/29/2022	40	City of Altamont Petty cash	\$2.18
		36138	11/29/2022	79653	Dollar General-Regions 410526	\$189.50
		36139	11/29/2022	80286	Don Nading	\$20.00
		36140	11/29/2022	523	Fastenal	\$82.68
		36141	11/29/2022	80264	Heather Beasley	\$7.15
		36142	11/29/2022	806	ISCO INDUSTRIES	\$220.87
		36143	11/29/2022	915	KANSAS ASSOCIATION OF CHIEFS	\$75.00
		36144	11/29/2022	949	KANSAS MUNICIPAL ENERGY AGENCY	\$36,100.37
		36145	11/29/2022	950	Kansas Municipal Gas Agency	\$22,001.11
		36146	11/29/2022	971	KANSAS STATE TREASURER	\$8,488.85
		36147	11/29/2022	79916	Labette County Treasurer's Office	\$97.24
		36148	11/29/2022	1246	Marmic Fire & Safety Co., Inc.	\$930.69
		36149	11/29/2022	1444	National Sign Company Inc.	\$1,173.54

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Check No	Check Date	Vendor No	Vendor Name	Check Amount
36150	11/29/2022	1660	POSTMASTER	\$250.00
36151	11/29/2022	9587	Raymond Coffey	\$38.75
36152	11/29/2022	80432	Serenity Stephens	\$40.00
36153	11/29/2022	79612	Southern Uniform & Equipment	\$1,280.00
36154	11/29/2022	80031	UTILITY SAFETY AND DESIGN INC	\$500.00
36155	11/29/2022	83	Verizon	\$180.64
36156	11/29/2022	2452	Volmer Truck and Tire	\$1,418.39
Bank Account Totals:				\$74,687.19
Total Of Checks:				\$74,687.19

AP Wire Register (APLT44)

City of Altamont

Wire Nbr.	Wire Date	Vendor No	Vendor Name	Wire Amount
Bank No: 1	Account:	006572		
-1028	11/29/2022	79491	Labette County State Bank Payroll Wthhld	\$336.19
Bank Account Totals:				\$336.19
Total Of Wires:				\$336.19

Approved Invoices by Vendor- Summary

City of Altamont

Vendor Invoice	PO	Description	Account Description	Invoice Amt
40	City of Altamont Petty cash			
11172022		Library Drop Box Key	Contractual	\$2.18
Subtotal for Vendor 40 - City of Altamont Petty cash :				\$2.18
60	CITY OF ALTAMONT			
11212022		Kierstien Russell Park Deposit Refund - Apply to her utility per her request	Park Building Deposit Refunds	\$40.00
Subtotal for Vendor 60 - CITY OF ALTAMONT :				\$40.00
83	Verizon			
9920131670		City Cellphone	Contractual	\$180.64
Subtotal for Vendor 83 - Verizon :				\$180.64
160	ALTAMONT RECREATION COMMISSION			
2022 Turkeys		City and Library Turkey Box Donations	Contractual	\$25.00
2022 Turkeys		City and Library Turkey Box Donations	Contractual	\$25.00
Subtotal for Vendor 160 - ALTAMONT RECREATION CO				\$50.00
240	B&L Waterworks Supply			
003401		3" Pipe	Commodities	\$324.00
Subtotal for Vendor 240 - B&L Waterworks Supply :				\$324.00
248	BAUGHER EQUIPMENT, INC.			
172 173		oil	Commodities	\$108.80
172 173		clutch wire, latch	Commodities	\$47.10
Subtotal for Vendor 248 - BAUGHER EQUIPMENT, INC. :				\$155.90
523	Fastenal			
KSPAR62922		bolts for trash truck	Commodities	\$82.68
Subtotal for Vendor 523 - Fastenal :				\$82.68
806	ISCO INDUSTRIES			
1111439Shipping		Shipping and Handling	Contractual	\$220.87
Subtotal for Vendor 806 - ISCO INDUSTRIES :				\$220.87

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885	ADVANCE INSURANCE COMPANY			
12-1-2022		life insurance	Benefits	\$10.60
12-1-2022		life insurance	Benefits	\$10.60
12-1-2022		life insurance	Benefits	\$10.60
12-1-2022		life insurance	Benefits	\$10.60
12-1-2022		life insurance	Benefits	\$5.30
12-1-2022		life insurance	Benefits	\$10.60
Subtotal for Vendor 885 - ADVANCE INSURANCE COMP				\$58.30
915	KANSAS ASSOCIATION OF CHIEFS			
2023		Chief Shield's Membership	Contractual	\$75.00
Subtotal for Vendor 915 - KANSAS ASSOCIATION OF C				\$75.00
949	KANSAS MUNICIPAL ENERGY AGENCY			
2022-10		Electric	Utility Costs	\$36,100.37
Subtotal for Vendor 949 - KANSAS MUNICIPAL ENERGY				\$36,100.37
950	Kansas Municipal Gas Agency			
2022-10		Natural Gas and Transporation	Utility Costs	\$22,001.11
Subtotal for Vendor 950 - Kansas Municipal Gas Agency				\$22,001.11
971	KANSAS STATE TREASURER			
01012023		Low Interest Gas Loan	Payment Plan- Loan Payback	\$8,488.85
Subtotal for Vendor 971 - KANSAS STATE TREASURER				\$8,488.85
1246	Marmic Fire & Safety Co., Inc.			
574020		Fire Extinguisher	Contractual	\$157.67
574020		Fire Extinguisher Inspection	Contractual	\$157.67
574020		Fire Extinguisher Inspection	Contractual	\$157.67
574020		Fire Extinguisher Inspection	Contractual	\$157.68
574020		Fire Extinguisher	Contractual	\$100.00
574020		Fire Extinguisher	Contractual	\$100.00
574020		Fire Extinguisher	Contractual	\$100.00

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1246		Marmic Fire & Safety Co., Inc.		
Subtotal for Vendor 1246 - Marmic Fire & Safety Co., Inc.				\$930.69
1444		National Sign Company Inc.		
202107		Traffic Cones, bar extenders, a frame legs	Commodities	\$1,173.54
Subtotal for Vendor 1444 - National Sign Company Inc. :				\$1,173.54
1660		POSTMASTER		
11-23-2022		Postage	Contractual	\$62.50
11-23-2022		Postage	Contractual	\$62.50
11-23-2022		Postage	Contractual	\$62.50
11-23-2022		Postage	Contractual	\$62.50
Subtotal for Vendor 1660 - POSTMASTER :				\$250.00
2452		Volmer Truck and Tire		
23348		1999 International Steering Gear box	Commodities	\$709.19
23348		1999 International Steering Gear box	Commodities	\$709.20
Subtotal for Vendor 2452 - Volmer Truck and Tire :				\$1,418.39
9587		Raymond Coffey		
Q3 2022		Water District Meeting Mileage	Contractual	\$38.75
Subtotal for Vendor 9587 - Raymond Coffey :				\$38.75
79491		Labette County State Bank Payroll Wthhld		
2022 Q3		941 Unemployment Tax - 7/27/2022	Withholding Payable	\$271.17
2022 Q3		941 Unemployment Tax - 7/27/2022	Withholding Payable	\$65.02
Subtotal for Vendor 79491 - Labette County State Bank				\$336.19
79500		Als Fitness Center		
Dec 2022		Gym Memberships	Contractual	\$100.00
Dec 2022		Gym Memberships	Benefits	\$30.00
Dec 2022		Gym Memberships	Benefits	\$40.00
Dec 2022		Gym Memberships	Contractual	\$10.00

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79500 Als Fitness Center				
Dec 2022		Gym Memberships	Benefits	\$30.00
Subtotal for Vendor 79500 - Als Fitness Center :				\$210.00
79612 Southern Uniform & Equipment				
142607-1		Police Vests	Equipment	\$1,280.00
Subtotal for Vendor 79612 - Southern Uniform & Equipm				\$1,280.00
79653 Dollar General-Regions 410526				
11042022		auto cleaner, hangers, totes	Commodities	\$103.50
11042022		water	Commodities	\$54.00
11042022		lights	Commodities	\$32.00
Subtotal for Vendor 79653 - Dollar General-Regions 410				\$189.50
79916 Labette County Treasurer's Office				
2022 Property Tax		McMillen Park Property Taxes	Contractual	\$97.24
Subtotal for Vendor 79916 - Labette County Treasurer's				\$97.24
80031 UTILITY SAFETY AND DESIGN INC				
20225090		AC Mitigation Install Labor	Contractual	\$500.00
Subtotal for Vendor 80031 - UTILITY SAFETY AND DESI				\$500.00
80264 Heather Beasley				
11152022		CCMFOA Meeting Expense	Commodities	\$7.15
Subtotal for Vendor 80264 - Heather Beasley :				\$7.15
80286 Don Nading				
11-08-2022		Park Building Refund - Building needed some cleaning after usage, reduced deposit to \$20.00	Park Building Deposit Refunds	\$20.00
Subtotal for Vendor 80286 - Don Nading :				\$20.00
80351 Bridget Nash				
11162022		CCMFOA Institute - Mileage and meeting expense	Contractual	\$96.14
11162022		CCMFOA Institute - Mileage and meeting expense	Contractual	\$96.13

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80351	Bridget Nash				
Subtotal for Vendor 80351 - Bridget Nash :					\$192.27
80432	Serenity Stephens				
	11-21-2022		Park Deposit Refund	Park Building Deposit Refunds	\$40.00
Subtotal for Vendor 80432 - Serenity Stephens :					\$40.00
80464	Brightspeed				
	11-7-2022		phone service	Contractual	\$118.57
	11-7-2022		phone service	Contractual	\$72.17
	11-7-2022		phone service	Contractual	\$72.18
	11-7-2022		phone service	Contractual	\$72.18
	11-7-2022		phone service	Contractual	\$72.18
	11-7-2022		phone service	Contractual	\$47.16
Subtotal for Vendor 80464 - Brightspeed :					\$454.44
80474	Altec Parts				
	12129841	Shipping	Shipping for Chainsaw	Contractual	\$65.32
Subtotal for Vendor 80474 - Altec Parts :					\$65.32
80478	Charles Smith				
	11-08-2022		Park Building Deposit Refund	Park Building Deposit Refunds	\$40.00
Subtotal for Vendor 80478 - Charles Smith :					\$40.00

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Vendor	PO	Description	Account Description	Invoice Amt
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Grand Total: \$75,023.38

Approved Invoices - Fund/Dept. Totals

Fund	Fund Total	Fund Name
01 General Fund		
00 NonDepartmental		\$65.02
01 General Government		\$5.30
02 Gen Police		\$1,898.31
04 General Fire		\$177.16
05 General Park		\$337.24
12 General Library		\$37.18
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		\$2,520.21
07 Special Highway Fund		
00 NonDepartmental		\$1,173.54
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		\$1,173.54
50 Water Utility Fund		
00 NonDepartmental		\$1,428.90
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		\$1,428.90
51 Electric Utility Fund		
00 NonDepartmental		\$36,843.97
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		\$36,843.97
52 Gas Utility Fund		
00 NonDepartmental		\$31,210.83
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		\$31,210.83
53 Sewer Utility Fund		

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Vendor Invoice	PO	Description	Account Description	Invoice Amt
	00	NonDepartmental	\$1,217.07	
			\$1,217.07	
	54	Sanitation Utility Fund		
	00	NonDepartmental	\$528.86	
			\$528.86	
	65	Al's Fitness Center		
	00	NonDepartmental	\$100.00	
			\$100.00	
		Grand Total:	\$75,023.38	

TW CONSTRUCTION

BUILDING THE FUTURE & RESTORING THE PAST

TERRY WAUN
1022 E 7TH STREET
ALTAMONT, KS
620-778-9283



DATE: 11/19/22

☐ BILL
☒ ESTIMATE

TO: City of Altamont

SALESPERSON	JOB	MISC	MISC	ESTIMATED TIME	PAYMENT TERMS	DUE DATE
TERRY					Due on receipt	

QTY	DESCRIPTION	LINE TOTAL
	40x40 City Building	
	Tear off all metal and insulation	
	Install new 26 ga painted metal and 6" vinyl Back insulation	
	Tear off and replace side door awning	
	Replace any water or termite damage (Stringers, wall plates, Headers)	
	Labor \$40 ⁰⁰ per hour (Three man crew)	
	Estimate 6 days	5760 ⁰⁰
	(If there is alot of water or termite damage it may add a day or two of Labor)	
	(Will Scrap the metal for the price of)	
	(Hauling and disposing off all material)	

City of Altamont will be responsible for providing all materials

Altamont Builder Supply
Material Quote \$12,350⁰⁰

TAXABLE SUBTOTAL	
SALES TAX	
TOTAL	
NON TAXED LABOR	
INVOICE TOTAL	

Landsdowne Garden

Pocket Park/Community Garden

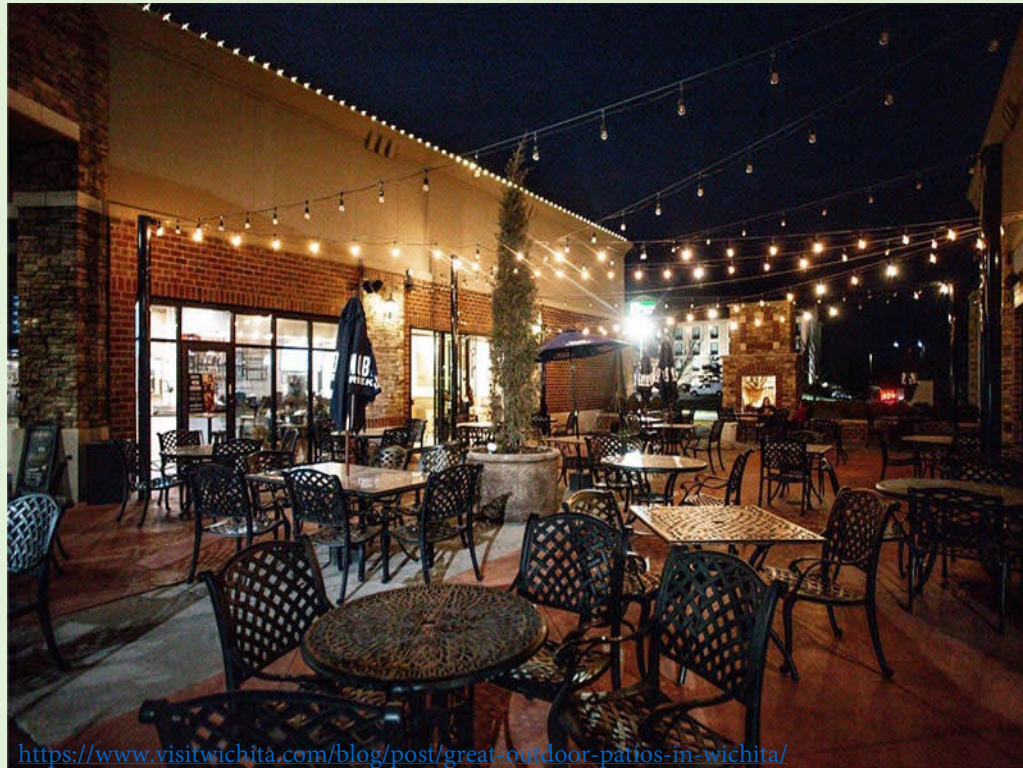
Current Space

- **Blank Canvas**
- **Located Downtown**
- **Prime Meeting Location**



Revitalization

Create an Inviting Space



Transform Unused Real Estate Into Useful Space

Outdoor Music



Community Involvement

Food Trucks & Outdoor Movies



Add Character

Creating a mural on the side of the building would allow us to show our Small Town Pride as well as honoring our Veterans



Encourage Healthy Lifestyles

Space to promote physical fitness & allow for a community garden of fresh produce



<https://www.dreamstime.com/stock-photo-community-garden-raised-beds-neighborhood-image59650526>



Endless Possibilities

Different seating styles and sections to fulfill the needs of everyone.



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Electric Upgrade

The electric upgrade from Wabash to Karner Avenues just north of 4th Street was completed on November 17, 2022. The Altamont Utility Department and Twin Valley Electric were both instrumental in this project. The Altamont Utility Department prepared the project by trimming trees and digging the holes for the new electric poles and down guys. Twin Valley Electric put in the new wire and made the tie ins.

We appreciate both entities for their hard work. This was a significant improvement to the City of Altamont electric system and will continue to benefit the City for many years to come. City Superintendent Brad Myers would like to continue to make these much-needed improvements moving forward for the Altamont citizens and businesses.

EXECUTIVE SESSION MOTIONS

I move the city council recess into executive session to discuss an individual employee's performance pursuant to the **non-elected personnel** matter exception, K.S.A. 75-4319 (b) (1) to include: (people to participate besides governing body.) The open meeting will resume in the city council room at ____PM.

I move the city council recess into executive session to discuss **Attorney – Client privilege** matter exception, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(2) to include: (people to participate besides governing body.) The open meeting will resume in the city council room at ____PM.

I move the city council recess into executive session to preliminary discuss **employer-employee negotiations** matter exception, K.S.A. 75-4319(b) (3) to include: (people to participate besides governing body.) The open meeting will resume in the city council room at ____PM.

I move the city council recess into executive session to preliminary discuss **property acquisition** matter exception, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(6) to include: (people to participate besides governing body.) The open meeting will resume in the city council room at ____PM.

I move the city council recess into executive session to discuss data relating to **financial affairs or trade secrets** of corporations, partnerships, trusts, and individual proprietorships pursuant to the non-elected personnel matter exception, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(4) to include: (people to participate besides governing body.) The open meeting will resume in the city council room at ____PM.

K.S.A. 75-4319. Closed or executive meetings; conditions; authorized subjects for discussion; binding action prohibited; certain documents identified in meetings not subject to disclosure. (a) Upon formal motion made, seconded and carried, all bodies and agencies subject to the open meetings act may recess, but not adjourn, open meetings for closed or executive meetings. Any motion to recess for a closed or executive meeting shall include a statement of (1) the justification for closing the meeting, (2) the subjects to be discussed during the closed or executive meeting and (3) the time and place at which the open meeting shall resume. Such motion, including the required statement, shall be recorded in the minutes of the meeting and shall be maintained as a part of the permanent records of the body or agency. Discussion during the closed or executive meeting shall be limited to those subjects stated in the motion.

(b) No subjects shall be discussed at any closed or executive meeting, except the following:

- (1) Personnel matters of nonelected personnel;
- (2) consultation with an attorney for the body or agency which would be deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship;
- (3) matters relating to employer-employee negotiations whether or not in consultation with the representative or representatives of the body or agency;
- (4) confidential data relating to financial affairs or trade secrets of corporations, partnerships, trusts, and individual proprietorships;
- (5) matters relating to actions adversely or favorably affecting a person as a student, patient or resident of a public institution, except that any such person shall have the right to a public hearing if requested by the person;
- (6) preliminary discussions relating to the acquisition of real property;

City Administrator Report City Council November 29, 2022

1. **CCMFOA Training** - City Clerk Heather Beasley and Deputy Clerk Bridget Nash attended the City Clerk and Municipal Finance Officer Association (CCMFOA) training in Wichita. This was Heather's second year of attending and Bridget's first year.
2. **Budget Amendment** - Submitted the 2022 Municipal Equipment Reserve Budget Amendment to the County Clerk.
3. **Police Officer Opening** - Reviewed applications and conducted interviews for the full-time Police positions. Chief Michael Shields has been conducting background checks.
 - a. We made an offer to Mr. Anthony Austin and he accepted the position. Mr. Austin is starting on December 16th.
 - b. We are still accepting applications for other full-time police officer position. Information can be found at www.altamontks.com.
4. **Seat belt Enforcement** - The Altamont Police Department is participating in the Thanksgiving Safe Arrival traffic enforcement campaign from November 19 to November 27.
5. **Burn Site** - The burn site is currently closed to the public until the burn ban is lifted and we can burn the brush already at the site.
6. **Lead and Copper** - Heather Beasley has been talking to residents as they come in the office about the lead and copper letters. Every resident will need to return their letter to the City Office as part of the EPA requirements for lead and copper reporting.
 - a. The remaining letters have been mailed out.
7. **Solid Waste** - The solid waste rate meeting was November 16th. The Parsons Sun article is included in your packet as LeaAnn Myers was unable to attend.
8. **Building Repairs** - Brad reached out to different contractors to get new bids to replace the roof and walls in the utility building behind the Altamont Police Department. Brad only received one bid which is included in your packet.



9. **KDHE Waste Tire Grant** - Heather Beasley is in the process of applying for the KDHE Waste Tire Grant for 10 new benches for downtown. The grant is a 50/50 match grant. Grants recipients will be announced in the spring.

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It's Kansas Law

Beginning Saturday, November 19 through Monday November 27, 2022 Altamont Police Department will join many other law enforcement agencies across the state, in the Kansas Thanksgiving Safe Arrival traffic enforcement campaign. Although all Kansas Traffic Laws will be enforced, this extra provision will be actively enforcing occupant protection laws.



51% of Americans that die each year in car crashes are unrestrained. Let's do our part to protect ourselves and our families and instill good habits in our youth.



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Trash transfer station fee increase reviewed

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Labette County's solid waste committee needs more information before deciding on a fee increase request for cities and other customers of the trash transfer station south of Parsons.

The current rate is \$40.76 a ton and GFL Environmental wants to increase that fee to \$43.50 a ton for cities in the county that use the transfer station and \$65 a ton for other customers of the transfer station, such as for-profit businesses that would include Green Environmental Services of Erie. If everyone would pay the same rate, the cost would increase to \$55 a ton as proposed by GFL.

Green Environmental, the second largest customer of the trash transfer station, doesn't like the idea of paying more than Labette County cities in part because some of its customers live in Labette County and the company would just pass the increased cost to them.

The committee took no action on Wednesday and opted for another meeting this month to allow for additional information to be distributed to members, including annual tonnage brought to the trash transfer station from 2018 to November 2022.

The biggest user of the trash transfer station is the city of Parsons, which has dumped 39,127 tons of trash there since Jan. 1, 2018, according to a GFL summary distributed to committee members. GFL uses a third-party transportation company to haul the trash trailers from the transfer station to the GFL landfill in Arcadia in Crawford County. That transportation company has increased rates charged to GFL because of increased fuel costs, which is one factor in GFL seeking the increase from the users in Labette County. Another factor is inflation.

The second largest user of the transfer station is Green Environmental, which has brought 21,413 tons of trash to the transfer station since Jan. 1, 2018.

The other larger customers of the transfer station: IWCA of Joplin-Chanute, 19,983 tons of trash and special waste; miscellaneous customers, 8,553 tons; Oswego, 6,352 tons; SEK Sanitation Services, 4,999 tons; Altamont, 4,413 tons; Parsons street sweepings, 4,397 tons; Chetopa, 3,395 tons; and Great Plains Disposal (roll off service), 3,082 tons.

Committee members wanted to know how much trash was dropped there by year for each of the users and that information should be available for the next meeting. Part of the reason for this report is to determine how to distribute royalties that were formerly collected on trash dumped at the transfer station. Committee members have collected other information as well, including rates charged by area landfills, but have yet to discuss it.

Charlie Morse, the facilitator for the committee, asked GFL if the company would be willing to include language that would reduce the tonnage rate as time goes along based on falling fuel prices. Max Murray of GFL said the company could build in verifiable parameters to the next contract on rate adjustments.

John Hafner, owner of Green Environmental, was concerned that his for-profit business was being singled out for an increased fee that he would have to pass on to his customers. Morse said the \$43.50 a ton rate, if approved, would be for trash collected from Labette County cities. Hafner noted that some of his customers live around Parsons and would have to pay more under the proposal because he is a for-profit business while the city of Parsons paid the lower rate.

Committee member Tim Peoples said he had an issue with that as well if the transfer station charges Green Environmental one rate and the city of Parsons trucks another when the trash came from the same area.

Policing where the trash came from would be difficult for private businesses that cross county boundaries while collecting, committee members have heard and discussed in the past.

Hafner called the fee change proposal predatory pricing and indicated the Justice Department frowns on that.

"You can't single those customers out. All I'm going to do is pass it along. Right? The customers are going to get punished," Hafner said.

Hafner asked committee member Josh Hucke what rate he would have to pay as a stakeholder to the transfer station. Hucke's SEK Sanitation is a for-profit business that collects trash from Mound Valley and other customers and delivers it to the transfer station.

"Yeah, it's a little ambiguous to me, too," Hucke told Hafner.

Morse said the committee could look at a flat rate and not entertain the two-fee structure so that everyone was treated the same.

Committee members already expressed concern about paying the extra nearly \$3 per ton if the new rate is approved. Paying the flat rate proposed by GFL (\$55 per ton) would be even more difficult with tight city budgets.

County Counselor Brian Johnson recommended the committee meet in closed session for an attorney-client privileged discussion for 15 minutes.

When the committee returned to open session, no action was taken.

The committee will next meet at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 30, in the city commission room of the Parsons Municipal Building.

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City of Altamont Water Usage and Cost

2021 Water Purchased in Gallons	Previous Rate	Actual Cost at Previous Rate	Actual Payments at Previous Contract Price
2,023,043	\$ 0.004	\$ 8,092.17	\$ 10,000.00
2,059,788	\$ 0.004	\$ 8,239.15	\$ 10,000.00
1,735,019	\$ 0.004	\$ 6,940.08	\$ 10,000.00
2,071,417	\$ 0.004	\$ 8,285.67	\$ 10,000.00
2,104,195	\$ 0.004	\$ 8,416.78	\$ 10,000.00
2,499,985	\$ 0.004	\$ 9,999.94	\$ 10,000.00
2,350,074	\$ 0.004	\$ 9,400.30	\$ 10,000.00
2,950,699	\$ 0.004	\$ 11,802.80	\$ 11,802.80
2,584,762	\$ 0.004	\$ 10,339.05	\$ 10,339.05
2,556,924	\$ 0.004	\$ 10,227.70	\$ 10,227.70
1,882,560	\$ 0.004	\$ 7,530.24	\$ 10,000.00
1,832,587	\$ 0.004	\$ 7,330.35	\$ 10,000.00
2,220,921		\$ 106,604.21	\$ 122,369.54

The first column of this table shows the actual gallons of water purchased in 2021.

The far right column is the actual payments the City of Altamont paid in 2021 based on the contracted price which is based on 2.5 million gallons of water.

The middle column shows what the cost would be if we only paid for the water usage we used.

2021 Water Purchased in Gallons	New Rate	Actual Cost at New Rate	New Rate at existing 2.5 million gallons
2,023,043	\$ 0.0045	\$ 9,103.69	\$ 11,250.00
2,059,788	\$ 0.0045	\$ 9,269.05	\$ 11,250.00
1,735,019	\$ 0.0045	\$ 7,807.59	\$ 11,250.00
2,071,417	\$ 0.0045	\$ 9,321.38	\$ 11,250.00
2,104,195	\$ 0.0045	\$ 9,468.88	\$ 11,250.00
2,499,985	\$ 0.0045	\$ 11,249.93	\$ 11,250.00
2,350,074	\$ 0.0045	\$ 10,575.33	\$ 11,250.00
2,950,699	\$ 0.0045	\$ 13,278.15	\$ 13,278.15
2,584,762	\$ 0.0045	\$ 11,631.43	\$ 11,634.43
2,556,924	\$ 0.0045	\$ 11,506.16	\$ 11,506.16
1,882,560	\$ 0.0045	\$ 8,471.52	\$ 11,250.00
1,832,587	\$ 0.0045	\$ 8,246.64	\$ 11,250.00
2,220,921		\$ 119,929.74	\$ 137,668.74

The first column of this table shows the actual gallons of water purchased in 2021.

The far right column reflects the increase in water rate if we had been billed based on the 2022 price which was increased from \$0.004 to \$0.0045 in January 2022.

The middle column shows what the cost would be if we only paid for the water usage we used at the new rate.

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2022 Water Purchased in Gallons	New Rate	Actual Cost at New Rate	New Rate at existing 2.5 million gallons
2,070,342	\$ 0.0045	\$ 9,316.54	\$ 11,250.00
1,856,040	\$ 0.0045	\$ 8,352.18	\$ 11,250.00
1,724,223	\$ 0.0045	\$ 7,759.00	\$ 11,250.00
2,245,415	\$ 0.0045	\$ 10,104.37	\$ 11,250.00
2,110,566	\$ 0.0045	\$ 9,497.55	\$ 11,250.00
2,479,387	\$ 0.0045	\$ 11,157.24	\$ 11,250.00
3,263,319	\$ 0.0045	\$ 14,684.94	\$ 14,684.94
3,026,062	\$ 0.0045	\$ 13,617.28	\$ 13,617.28
2,963,017	\$ 0.0045	\$ 13,333.58	\$ 13,333.58
2,528,149	\$ 0.0045	\$ 11,376.67	\$ 11,376.67
	\$ 0.0045	\$ -	\$ 11,250.00
	\$ 0.0045	\$ -	\$ 11,250.00
2,426,652		\$ 109,199.34	\$ 143,012.47

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Altamont Christmas Parade

Join us for a Small Town Christmas

Altamont Recreation Commission will be
hosting the

Altamont Christmas Parade

Friday December 9th @ 7:00 PM

Christ's Church of Labette County will be handing out Hot Chocolate

Altamont United Methodist Church will be serving Chicken Noodle Dinner from 11:00-1:00PM at the United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall & 4:00-7:00PM at the Senior Center for \$7/serving (preorder at cathykibler63@gmail.com)

