

Town of Alpine
SPECIAL COUNCIL MINUTES
March 31, 2009

Minutes are only a summary of the meeting.

Mayor DeCora called the meeting to order at 7:03pm. Pledge of allegiance was held and roll call was taken, establishing a quorum: Troy Johnson, Shirley Brown, Victoria DeCora, Beau Taylor, Don Jorgensen, Attorney Stefan Fodor, and Treasurer Brenda Bennett were present for the meeting.

Mayor DeCora stated we were going to change the agenda a bit and speak with Sheriff Shane Johnson first.

Discussion with Lincoln County Sheriff Shane Johnson: Troy Johnson wanted to thank Shane for coming down to talk with us. He asked if the Sheriff's Office would be able to help out the town or come up with some sort of agreement for additional coverage as he is having a hard time meriting the hiring of a second officer. Sheriff Johnson wanted to know what our expectations would be. The sheriff's office does contract out, depending on the set up. As it is now he is going to have to cut his budget by \$300,000.00, the last thing that will be cut is employees. As it is now, the Sheriff's office is responsible for all emergency calls when Chief Phillips is out of town for training, vacation or sick so the town is covered. They would not be able to write tickets for town ordinances. If they were to write tickets for speeding etc., the money would go to the circuit court not the town. The citizens of the county are their major responsibility, as most of the towns have their own department. Response time as we all know may not be the best or as fast as the town would like but it is what it is. They cover over 4000 square miles with a limited crew. They have 17 total employees, this includes the jail. Depending on what the town expects for coverage he would possibly have to put on another man to the tune of 40 to 50 thousand dollars which would be passed on to the town, it would be better if the town hired on their own person for that as the money would then stay in the town. He is willing to discuss this further when Chief Phillips is present so he can see what his need or wants are. He does not want to cross bounds as there is a common professional courtesy between departments. **Mayor DeCora asked for a motion to table this until Chief Phillips is back when we can discuss it more. Troy Johnson so moved. Beau Taylor seconded. VOTE: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent. Motion carried.**

185 – ORDINANCE NO. 2008 – 41 to replace & amend 78 – Ordinance No. 2008 – 34: 3rd & final reading: The mayor, council, administrator, and attorney discussed the new / revived copy of the ordinance. They went through the entire ordinance and made some more changes. There was public comment taken and discussed. Carla Stone & Tiphany Gayhart wanted to be on record that they continue to protest this ordinance. They resubmitted a letter from Attorney Gerald Goulding with explanation of mechanics of the plan, and the payment structure breakdown. Attorney Fodor asked for a recess so he could update and make the changes to the ordinance.

Mayor DeCora called for a recess at 8:46 pm.

Mayor DeCora called the meeting to order at 9:01pm.

Mayor, council, administrator, and attorney continued discussion with the new changes. There are still issues with the financial plan. **Mayor DeCora asked for a motion to authorize Stefan to continue to work this out. Troy Johnson so moved. Don Jorgensen seconded. VOTE: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent. Motion carried.**

Mayor DeCora wanted to move on while Attorney Fodor was continuing his updates.

304 – Resolution No. 03-31-09-2009, a resolution authorizing submission of an application to the State Loan and Investment Board for a loan through the State Revolving Fund on behalf of the governing body for the Town of Alpine for the purpose of the Alpine Water System Improvements. **Mayor DeCora asked for a motion to approve the resolution. Don Jorgensen so moved. Beau Taylor seconded. VOTE: 4 Yes, 0 No, 1 Abstain, 0 Absent. Motion carried.**

305 – Resolution No. 03-31-09-2009, a resolution authorizing submission of an application to the State Loan and Investment Board for a loan through the State Revolving Fund on behalf of the governing body for the Town of alpine for the purpose of the Alpine Sewer Collection Phase II. Troy wanted to know why if this is for a grant it says loan application. Administrator Wolfley informed all that it is for a grant but your fill out the paper work like you are going for a loan. If there is not enough money left from the state package they may say we can work with you and make it a loan with lower interest or whatever. Troy Johnson asked if we had to accept the loan. Mayor DeCora said we did not, after they look it all over they will give us options which we can accept or deny. **Mayor DeCora asked for a motion to approve the resolution. Beau Taylor so moved. Don Jorgensen seconded. VOTE: 4 yes, 1 No, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent. Motion carried.**

Administrator Wolfley printed off 185 – Ordinance with all of the changes made. Mayor DeCora asked if the council had any more questions or comments with it. She asked if the public had any more questions or comments. **Mayor DeCora asked for a motion to approve the 3rd and final reading of 185 – Ordinance No. 2008-41 to replace & amend 178 – Ordinance No. 2008-34. Beau Taylor so moved. Don Jorgensen seconded. VOTE: 4 Yes, 1 No, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent. Motion carried.**

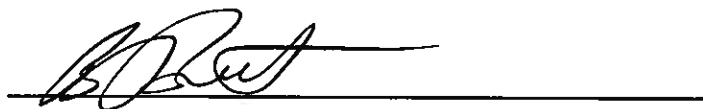
Mayor DeCora asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Shirley Brown so moved. Troy Johnson seconded. VOTE: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:50 pm.



Mayor Victoria DeCora

ATTEST:



Brenda Bennett, Clerk