Town of Alto Regular Meeting May 13, 2025 Minutes Work Session 6:00pm

Those in attendance:

Gail Armour, Mayor Eddie Palmer, Pro-tem PJ Huggins, Post 1 James Turner, Post 2 Allen Fox, Post 3 Debbie Turner, Post 5 Sean Rogers, Asst. Chief Lisa Turner, CFO/HR Penny Rogers, Town Clerk Absent: Chief Josh Ivey

A work session was held at 6pm. Discussions were: Mayor Armour read words from the Bible concerning unity; City of Civility Ordinance has to be adopted again due to the timeline being missed when it was submitted the first time; Mayor Armour read the Vision and Mission statements that were made at the retreat they had and stated that they needed to focus on these. She suggested to have another retreat specifically on future water needs and SCADA. GMRC has agreed to help for a 4 hour retreat. Officials were asked to consider a date to schedule; auditors should be coming at the end of May; questions concerning the fence installation at the playground were debated on. More work has to be done before the park can be opened back up to the public due to uneven ground that needs to be addressed so children or animals can not crawl under into neighbors vard. Shade cloth has been put up by adjoining property owner due to lack of privacy which was questioned; the list of road projects on Banks side is being worked on and more quotes coming. Concern of hole in road in front of McDaniel shop was discussed; it was asked when the Children at Play signs for Cook Street would be installed, it was stated that 5 had been ordered and should be already up; question of orange stakes at Grant Street put up by the County? Mayor stated that Town isn't on the list for the Safe streets as previously thought so those are not by the County. After attending a meeting she realized the County didn't go with Alto so the area of safety concern at S Grant St will have to be completed by the Town; a Veterans Memorial was debated on with crosses appearing to be favored with community involvement so it won't cost the Town anything; resident Sheila Mathis stated that the perk test from the property the Officials granted a variance on, came back approved; question asked again if the playground fence is on the property line,

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it was stated that records would be looked at to make sure of details; Code Enforcement was inquired about, Town doesn't have an officer right now, the lead fell through, can have potential candidate in October if they decide to go that direction. Tucker Drive was complained about needing attention; approximately \$30K left for recreational use in funding; it was asked why one of the tables at the pavilion in the park was missing? Reply was that if it was a safety hazard or broken, it was removed; question was asked if cameras have been checked to see if you could tell who shot the library book box at the park and who hit the building at the Community Center; Mrs. Mathis stated that a tall man without a shirt on, knocked on her door at 4:30am and then went walking down the road.

The regular meeting was called to order by Mayor Gail Armour. The invocation was delivered by Eddie Palmer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The agenda was presented to the Council for approval. Councilwoman PJ Huggins made a motion to approve. Councilwoman Debbie Turner seconded the motion. Approved by all.

The minutes of the April 09, 2025 meeting were presented for approval. Pro-tem Eddie Palmer made a motion to accept the minutes. Councilman James Turner seconded the motion. Approved by all.

New Business:

Councilman Allen Fox made a motion to adopt the City of Civility Ordinance. Councilwoman PJ Huggins seconded the motion. Approved by all.

Old Business: None

Recommendations from Officers, Departments, and Attorneys:

Sean Rogers presented the monthly police and probation totals. Pro-tem Eddie Palmer inquired about the noise/music disturbance on Caputi Dr that's been happening. It was stated that it has been addressed and officers will be on the lookout more, but dispatch has to be called when it is going on.

Public comments:

Sheila Mathis inquired if the festival is still on for June 7th. She was told yes.

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Councilwoman PJ Huggins made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilman James Turner seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:08pm. Approved by all.

Respectfully submitted by:

Penny Rogers Town Clerk