

Village of Alpha
Regular Board meeting minutes

For Monday August 10th, 2026

The regular board meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Becky Brown. Board members present were Mike P., Dennis S., John D., Brad B., and Ron M. Tena A. was absent. Jeff K. was present for water work. Lindsy B. was also absent.

Approval of Minutes- The minutes from the regular board meeting of July 13th were reviewed. Motion was made by John and seconded by Ron for approval. Motion carried.

Approval of Bills- Bills of this month were reviewed and some additions were made. ILEAS- Membership \$60. River Stone \$60.80. Gazebo Flowers-Mike \$151.47. After changes were made a motion was made by Brad to approve and seconded by Mike. Motion carried.

Approval of Treasurer's Report- Report was given by Mayor Becky Brown due to Lindsy's absence. General Fund \$613,945.22. Motor Fuel Fund \$108,898.36. Water Sewer Fund \$271,788.30. Total Funds \$994,634.15. Gaming for July \$3,727.32. Gaming for August at the time \$1,835.42. Total gaming \$5,562.74. Dennis makes a motion to approve the treasurer's report. John seconds. Motion carried.

Public Works Report- Report given by Jeff. 1,696,000 gallons pumped with a daily average of 54,724. Routine bacteria samples were all satisfactory. Meters were read on 7/29/2026. The water tower was drained and the clean out was completed. Per Putnam Co. the painting on the inside looks brand new still. Tower mixer was installed but we are waiting on the electrical and operating permit from the EPA. Low water pressure was reported at 202 S. Scandia st so Tonys was hired to excavate. They found the iron pipe at the curb stop was restricted on the customer side. Tony's repaired this. They also repaired a broken field tile that ran through at the same elevation as the water line. The iron pipe was bypassed with pex and the owner will need to bury the line and have it connected to the meter.

Wastewater- Bi-monthly samples for the lagoon were influent and effluent. Continued adding sludge reducing bacteria. Tonys replaced the horizontal discharge pipes in the 2nd St. lift station.

Shop- Office A/C coil and condenser unit installed by Tonys. Duct work spray foam was done by Foamtastic from Cuba, Il. 4 hydraulic lines were replaced on the tractor loader bucket by RMR. Tuesday the 11th is Dawson's last day. Dave Lambin will take over mowing.

Streets- Jim Swanson took down a tree that was half on and half off the right away at 202 Marlane Dr from storm damage in early July. The owner worked with Jeff and decided they would split the cost of \$1200. The village paid \$600 and owner paid \$600.

Motion made by Mike to approve the public works report. Dennis second. Motion carried.

Committee Reports- Streets/Alleys- Street survey is done. Mike will get quotes done as well. Maulden's gave a bid for the project at the west garage. Ton'ys will do the plumbing.

Police- Ron is trying to get a hold of Bethel over in Woodhull to get base on SOPs.

Community Development- The ice cream social went well. There was 2 gallons of ice cream left out of 5. Spirit of Alpha- there will be a dunk tank, Becky will get port a pots ordered, pick your poison will play from 11-2, and a Spaghetti dinner will be at the fire house from 5-7. The flamingo fundraiser brought in over \$2000.

Old Business-

Utility Billing Software- Training started this week and everything is ready to go.

Audit update- Only a couple more things to submit. Hopefully it will be done by September.

Old Business- Laverne's card and check will be dropped off by Ron.

New Business-

Tax Levy 2026-2027- It is staying the same without having to report anything. John makes a motion to approve the Tax Levy for 2026-2027 as is. Mike seconds. Motion carried.

Appropriations 2026-2027- A few slight changes were made from the finance meeting. Dennis makes a motion to approve the appropriations as is. Brad seconds. Motion carried.

Other new business- Ron will be going to 2nd shift so he will miss the September meeting.

The regular board meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m. after a motion was made by John and Ron seconds. Motion carried.