

Mayor Mapes called a regular meeting of the Alma City Commission to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Alma Municipal Building. A quorum of the Commission was present.

Roll Call

Present: Roger Allman, Andrew Bare, Sonia Gibson, Roxann Harrington (arrived after roll call), Greg Mapes, and Michelle Pitts.
Absent: Danny Wernick.

2026-0014 Motion by Commissioner Pitts, seconded by Commissioner Bare, to approve the agenda, as presented. Motion carried.

Yes: Allman, Bare, Gibson, Mapes, and Pitts.
No: none.
Absent: Harrington and Wernick.

Mayor Mapes led those present in a recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America.

Approval of Minutes

2026-0015 Motion by Commissioner Allman, seconded by Commissioner Pitts, to approve minutes of the January 13, 2026, regular meeting, as presented. Motion carried.

Yes: Allman, Bare, Gibson, Mapes, and Pitts.
No: none.
Absent: Harrington and Wernick.

Requests for Purchase

2026-0016 Motion by Commissioner Pitts, seconded by Commissioner Bare, to adopt a resolution to approve a request for purchase to Unified Network Consultants, in the amount of \$30,629.00, for security cameras and card access system at Alma Transit.

Yes: Allman, Bare, Gibson, Mapes, and Pitts.
No: none.
Absent: Harrington and Wernick.
Resolution declared adopted.

Vice-Mayor Harrington arrived at 6:05 p.m.

2026-0017 Motion by Commissioner Allman, seconded by Commissioner Bare, to adopt a resolution to approve a request for purchase to Applied Innovation, in the amount of \$28,409.74, for the city hall structured cable infrastructure project.

Yes: Allman, Bare, Gibson, Harrington, Mapes, and Pitts.
No: none.
Absent: Wernick.
Resolution declared adopted.

Resolutions

2026-0018 Motion by Commissioner Pitts, seconded by Commissioner Bare, to adopt a resolution to ratify investment of the following City funds:

Investment Date	Maturity Date	Amount	Interest Rate	Bank	Type
1/30/2026	1/31/2028	\$250,000	3.50%	FNBA (via Fifth Third Securities)	CD

Yes: Allman, Bare, Gibson, Harrington, Mapes, and Pitts.
No: none.
Absent: Wernick.
Resolution declared adopted.

Reports

2026-0019 Motion by Commissioner Pitts, seconded by Commissioner Bare, to receive the Alma

Police Department 2025 Year End Report, Gratiot Area Water Authority January 9, 2026 Draft Meeting Minutes, Gratiot Area Solid Waste Authority January 12, 2026 Draft Meeting Minutes, Alma District Fire Board January 19, 2026 Draft Meeting Minutes, December 2025 Finance Report. Motion carried.

**Yes: Allman, Bare, Gibson, Harrington, Mapes, and Pitts.
No: none.
Absent: Wernick.**

2026-0020 Motion by Commissioner Pitts, seconded by Commissioner Bare, to receive the City Manager's Report.

City Manager Aerick Ripley presented a request from the Alma Armory for permission to hold an archery event and asked for feedback. After a general consensus from the group, Ripley indicated the request would be added to the next meeting's agenda for approval. He briefly reviewed other items in his newsletter.

**Motion to receive the City Manager's Report carried.
Yes: Allman, Bare, Gibson, Harrington, Mapes, and Pitts.
No: none.
Absent: Wernick.**

New Business

2026-0021 Motion by Commissioner Pitts, seconded by Commissioner Bare, to adopt a resolution to approve Traffic Control Order No. 162 to remove "No Parking" signs on the north side of East Superior Street between 217-219 E. Superior and 211-215 E. Superior.

**Yes: Allman, Bare, Gibson, Harrington, Mapes, and Pitts.
No: none.
Absent: Wernick.
Resolution declared adopted.**

Appropriations

2026-0022 Motion by Vice-Mayor Harrington, seconded by Commissioner Allman, to adopt a resolution approving Warrant No. 26-14 and authorizing the City Treasurer to issue checks in payment of all claims.

**Yes: Allman, Bare, Gibson, Harrington, Mapes, and Pitts.
No: none.
Absent: Wernick.
Resolution declared adopted.**

Commissioner Comments

Commissioner Pitts offered gratitude to public employees performing their duties in the extreme cold weather. City Manager Ripley asked residents to help prevent hazards in roadways by taking in trash bins after collection.

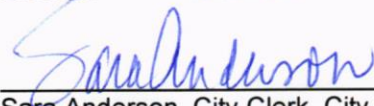
Invitation to Public

Dean Clark, St. Louis American Legion Commander, spoke about the American Legion and Heroes Center and asked the Commission to consider hanging Hometown Heroes Banners on lamp posts in Alma.

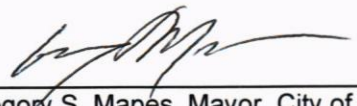
Adjournment

Motion by Commissioner Allman, seconded by Commissioner Bare, to adjourn the meeting at 6:27 p.m. Motion carried.

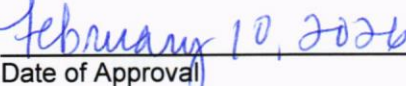
**Yes: Allman, Bare, Gibson, Harrington, Mapes, and Pitts.
No: none.
Absent: Wernick.**



Sara Anderson, City Clerk, City of Alma



Gregory S. Mapes, Mayor, City of Alma



Date of Approval