

## New Salem Park Board Proceedings

### NEW SALEM PARK BOARD MEETING

**FEBRUARY 10, 2026**

Call to Order – meeting called to order at 6:59 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: Rob Boehm, Andrea Mathern, Lori Goetzfridt, Blaise Olson, Cadee Goetzfridt  
Absent: Steve Kleinjan

Guest: Richard Mendoza, Tamara Kautzman, Kami Olson, Aashur Olson

Approval of Minutes – Minutes from previous meeting were presented. Motion to approve by Cadee, seconded by Blaise - approved

Treasurer's Report – Treasurer's report of income and expenditures for the month of January were presented. Andrea made a motion to approve. Second by Cadee – approved

North Park  
–After turning the breakers off at the park, it reduced the price of the MDU bill by \$130. We need to consider getting new lights/bulbs. Rob will talk to an electrician about what can be done.

Downtown Park  
–Need to find time to remove all the ornaments from the park.

Swimming Pool  
–Blaise was able to get some numbers and the prints from the pool building in Steele; since the same plans were given to us to consider and why we are pursuing their layout.  
o\$390,000 for the building

cost  
o\$50,000 to run all the pipe, not sure if that would include a pump or not.

–It was suggested to go to the architects that supplied the plans for Steele's building, ask if we can purchase them so we would have something in hand to aid in applying for grants or to seek other funding. Blaise will reach out to Eng Tech and see what they can do for us.

–If project cost is over \$175k, you need to hire an engineer. If the cost is over \$250k it needs to go for public bid.

Rud Park  
–Rob will get a quote from Brendel's or the contractor who did the football field about getting a sprinkler system at the park.

Mann Park  
–Chad Goetzfridt contacted another contractor for a bid to install the hot water heater, gas hookup and install the heaters. He will set up a time for them to come to town and provide a quote.

–Rob will contact a contractor to see about installation of steps on the hillside.

–Cadee asked for permission to purchase more mats for in and around the warming house; 10 mats at \$19/each from Costco. Approved to purchase.

Walking Path  
–Andrea will add more bags to the poop stations.  
–Weeds are coming through

the path by the elementary school. Rob will get out to spray it this weekend.

Old Business  
–Two seats are up for re-election: Andrea and Steve with petitions for re-election due to the City Auditor by April 6th.

New Business  
–Tamara is here to speak about her concern with the survey and what the results were and if they were published or not and why the choice to build a new pool house. She is hearing so many other things from the community. Rob spoke of how we pivoted from the community center to a smaller project, per direction of the ND Community Foundation. We will work on putting the money towards the pool house as ADA compliant and then also raise more funds or apply for grants towards replacing the entire pool.

–Kami and Aashur gave their letter of intent to work at the pool, added suggestions of water aerobics and sponsorship night to bring in more patrons. Aashur also requested to work as maintenance crew.

Next regular scheduled meeting to be held on March 10th (2nd Tues of every month) at 7:00 p.m.

Chairman Boehm adjourned the meeting at 8:14 p.m.

*Respectfully Submitted  
Lori Goetzfridt*

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## City of Almont Proceedings

### MINUTES OF ALMONT CITY

**APRIL 6, 2026**

Present: Russell Kramer, Kaity Olson-Brett, Sharmayne Erhardt, Andrew Heinrich, Seth Feland and Lynne Jacobson.

Also present were: Bryce Saylor, Clare Pankratz, Donald LaFleur, Lori Dirk, Buzz Bruington, Bonnee Ritz, Curt Feland Taylor Kitzan, and Deputy County Sheriff Corporal Tracy.

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. Minutes from the previous meeting were read. Seth made a motion to accept the minutes as read; Sharmayne seconded; motion passed. Treasurer's report was provided. Seth made a motion to accept; Andrew seconded; motion passed

Old Business:  
Lynne advised that Tank Maintenance Solutions/Northern Steel will be out on the 13th to do the repair of the leak at the water tank. The tank will need to be drained and Lynne will contact Missouri West Water to advise and inquire as to what will need to be done. Lynne will put out notices in town and on the Facebook page to notify the residents.

Lynne advised that the tree removal company will be here beginning Thursday the 9th. However, with the Easter Egg hunt on Saturday Lynne will call them and let them know there will be events going on and to please avoid that area.

Lynne advised that the owner of the trailer on Main Street advised they have listed it for sale and removal from town.

The council stated a letter is to be sent to have it removed by the end of the month or further action will be taken. Lynne will call the county to inquire if they can assist in any way.

Bryce Saylor with Moore Engineering advised that some petroleum product was found from the soil testing and that further testing will be done to see what needs to be done to rectify the contamination. Therefore, any approvals on the plans for bidding will be tabled until next month. Bryce also presented the second invoice requesting approval for submission for payment. Sharmayne made a motion to approve and submit; Andrew seconded, motion passed. Bryce also mentioned that the overhangs on the historical buildings need to be protected and will be included in the revised plans.

Lynne advised that she has been in contact with Banyon Data on the utility billing program and has gone to New Salem to visit with the city auditor to get her opinion on the program. Lynne presented the quote to purchase the program and the annual fees to maintain it. After discussion,

Kaity made a motion to purchase the program; Andrew seconded; motion passed. Lynne will contact the company and get the ball rolling.

New Business:  
Lynne advised that today at 4:00 p.m. was the filing deadline for any petitions to be on the ballot for city council, and that the only one submission was

received.  
A complaint was received regarding loud music being played late hours. A letter will be sent to the resident.

Donald LaFleur with the Morton County Tax Equalization Office was present for the Board of Equalization. He advised that a few people were present at the public meeting on March 11th and some details and corrections were made. He presented the 2026 Annual Assessments for council review. Curt Feland was present to discuss his appeal for valuation of various properties. Mr. LaFleur advised that if no water/sewer services were accessible to the property and/or the cost to get these services to the property were excessive, that a 50% discount on value is permitted. With that being the case Andrew made a motion to accept Mr. Feland's appeals; Sharmayne seconded; motion passed. With no other appeals, Kaity made a motion to accept the valuations with the adjustments; Andrew seconded, motion passed. Mr. LaFleur will email the final numbers after the adjustments for our records.

Lynne presented the proposed 1st reading of the updated Flood Plain Ordinance. Seth made a motion to accept the ordinance as read; Sharmayne seconded; motion passed.

A motion to adjourn was made by Seth and seconded by Kaity. Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

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FRIDAY APRIL 24

Stuffed Pepper Casserole, Carrots, Pineapple

MONDAY APRIL 27

Chicken Strips, Potato Wedges, Macaroni Salad, Apricots

TUESDAY APRIL 28

BBQ Pork Ribs, Mashed Potatoes, Broccoli, Fresh Orange

WEDNESDAY APRIL 29

Salisbury Steak, Egg Noodles, Green Beans, Pears

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