

City of Albion
Study Session Minutes
March 12, 2020

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Atchison opened the study session at 6:00 p.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Vicky Clark (1), Lenn Reid (2), Al Smith (3), Jeanette Spicer (5), Shane Williamson (6), and Mayor Atchison.

ABSENT: Marcola Lawler (4)

STAFF PRESENT:

Darwin McClary, City Manager; Lauren Ferguson, Assistant City Attorney; Jill Domingo, City Clerk, Scott Kipp, Chief Public Safety and John Tracy, Director of Planning, Building & Code Enforcement.

IV. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL DISCUSSION

A. Granger Waste Services Proposals

Mayor Atchison read aloud a public service announcement pertaining to Coronavirus.

City Manager McClary stated he has been negotiating with Granger Waste services who has provided the Council with several options and terms. He stated that the service we currently have would be a \$2.09 per month increase and approximately \$25.00 per year.

Scott Truman, Sales & Marketing Manager Granger Waste Services gave a brief overview of Grangers family-owned and operated business which is located in Lansing, Michigan. Granger services approximately 250,000 residential and commercial customers in the mid-Michigan area. The proposed contract has the following four different service options:

- Option A-Weekly trash collection with 96-gallon carts, every other week recycling collection with 96-gallon carts, once a month bulk item collection and seasonal (April-November) weekly yard waste collection with 96-gallon carts, maximum 10 bags

- Option B-Weekly trash collection with 96-gallon carts, every other week recycling collection with 96-gallon carts, once a month bulk item collection and seasonal (April-November) weekly unlimited yard waste collection with 96-gallon carts
- Option C-Weekly trash collection with 96-gallon carts, weekly recycling collection with blue bags, once a month bulk item collection and seasonal (April-November) weekly yard waste collection with 96-gallon carts, maximum 10 bags
- Option D-Weekly trash collection with 96-gallon carts, weekly recycling collection with blue bags, once a month bulk item collection and seasonal (April-November) weekly unlimited yard waste collection with 96-gallon carts.
- No additional fee for 96-gallon yard waste carts.
- Seniors (60 and older) will receive a slightly reduced rate
- Residents may request a smaller (65-gallon cart) for trash collection but the rate will remain the same. Recycling carts and yard waste carts are only available in 96-gallon size.
- Additional annual cleanup day
- Annual rate adjustments vary based on contract length. After the first year of the contract, rates would be adjusted each year by 5% for a three-year contract, 4% for a five-year contract or 3% for a 10-year contract
- **If the City of Albion handles billing of residents and pays Granger direct for the monthly bill, a 2% administrative discount would be applied
- Granger cannot extend the collection of yard waste past November as it would be a safety issue for Granger employees.

Comments were received from Council Members Spicer, Williamson, Smith, Clark and Reid and Mayor Atchison.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS-(Persons addressing the City Council shall limit their comments to no more than three (3) minutes. Proper decorum is required).

Comments were received from LaVada Weeks, 917 Luther Dr; Garrett Brown, 1016 S. Superior St and Eric Tobin 409 W. Ash St.

VI. CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager McClary stated the City would not be taking on the trash service billing internally.

VII. MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Comments were received from Council Member Williamson and Mayor Atchison.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Spicer moved, Smith supported, CARRIED, to adjourn the study session. (6-0, vv)

Mayor Atchison adjourned the Study Session at 7:05 p.m.

Date

Jill Domingo
City Clerk