

ALEXANDER GAZETTE

Aimee J Frohling – Clerk

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LIBRARY NEWS

Hours:

Mon: 8:30 AM – 12 PM, 1PM – 5PM
 Tue: 2:00 PM – 5:00 PM
 Wed: 2:00 PM – 5:00 PM
 Thu: 8:30 AM – 12:00 PM
 Fri: 2:00 PM – 5:00 PM
 Sat: 8:30 AM – 12:00 PM

The door at the library is always open for reading, learning, and relaxation! Stop in and browse our large collection of books, periodicals, and movies!



Interested in volunteering and/or being a part of the library? Stop in, or contact a Library Board Member!

Coffee and Conversation
 Saturday Mornings!

Garbage bags can be purchased at the Library and various locations in the surrounding area. If you are interested in a rolling cart, you may call: T&S Sanitation at (515) 293-1643. **ATTENTION! DO NOT PUT LITHIUM BATTERIES IN THE GARBAGE!**

DONATE! BRANDI PALS MEMORIAL FUND

Monetary Donations can be Made at Clear Lake Bank & Trust (Brandi Pals Memorial Fund)
 For more information or to make donations you may contact:
 Thomas Pals: (641)640-8754
 Monica Pals: (641) 373-0468



SANTA DAY HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE



Breakfast 8AM – 10AM



Open House 9AM – 12PM



Photos with Santa, Crafts, Gift bags



Saturday, December 13, 2025



Alexander Public Library

UPCOMING EVENTS

City Council Meeting
January 6, 2026 6:00 PM

Water bills due
20th each month

Tornado Siren Test
2nd Monday at Noon

Recycling 1st and 3rd Friday

City Hall Office Hours:

Wednesday's
 9:00 AM – Noon
 2nd/4th Saturday's
 9:00 AM – Noon
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OFFICIAL PROCLAMATION by the MAYOR of CITY OF ALEXANDER, IOWA for all snow events winter 2025/2026

If Snow/Ice in excess of 2" is forecasted, is occurring, or has occurred, any/all vehicles must not be parked in streets, alleys, or any city owned parking area until streets have been cleared and/or for 48 hours after cessation of the snow event, whichever is later.

The City is not responsible for blocked driveways due to clearing snow from streets. It is the resident's responsibility to clear their own driveways/sidewalks without returning any snow to City Streets and Alleys.

"Christmas magic is silent. You don't hear it, you feel it. You know it. You believe it."

-KEVIN ALAN MILNE

MERRY CHRISTMAS!!



SEPTIC

If you have not updated your septic system, you are now in violation of the City Code of Ordinances and DNR regulations!

December 2, 2025 Meeting Minutes
 Mayor Schear opened the meeting at 6:00 PM.
 Council Persons Present: Roy Arends, Brad Peterson, and Courtney Noelting.
 Approval of Agenda – Motion by Peterson to approve, 2nd by Noelting. Approved unanimously.
 Minutes of November meeting – Motion by Arends to approve, 2nd by Noelting. Approved unanimously.
 Motion by Noelting to approve vouchers and pay bills, 2nd by Peterson. Approved unanimously.
 December Expenditures – Clear Lake Sanitary (water testing) \$44.00; Display Sales (xmas bulbs) \$116.00; Franklin Co Auditor (election) \$421.51; Hawkins, Inc. (additives) \$498.18; Iowa One Call (locate serv) \$32.40; Iowa Rural Water Assoc (dues) \$315.00; IPERS (pensions) \$590.83; Mosquito Control of IA (mosquito spraying) \$688.00; Router12 (phone/internet) \$80.00; S&H Environmental (Water Super) \$850.00; Treas St IA (WET) \$165.57; True Value (supplies) \$116.98; Aimee Frohling (clerk salary/mileage/bonus) \$1,790.96; Brad Peterson (council pay) \$69.19; Christian Larsen (Maint/Wat Ass./Roads/bonus) \$1,365.76;

**First Reformed Church**

Services 9:30 AM

Fellowship 10:45 AM

All are Welcome!

Sunday School – 9:30 AM

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

5:00 PM

Courtney Noelting (council pay) \$69.19; Kim Larsen (council pay) \$46.12; Roy Arends (council pay) \$69.26; Thomas Schear (Mayor) \$46.12.
 November Receipts – Property Tax \$2,902.97; LOST \$1,371.13; Road Use Taxes \$982.72; Utility Accounts \$3,492.38; Grants \$11,000.00.

Public Input – Resident in attendance, complaint about neighbors chickens, council would like clerk to call the sheriff about it, discussed amending an ordinance.
 Library Report – Reminder, Santa Day is on December 13th from 9AM to 12PM, breakfast will be served from 8AM to 10AM.

Water Dept Report – plumbing to well has been replaced, getting estimates to replace some check valves, they are causing water loss, council gives Christian permission to just go ahead and replace them. New tile has been hooked up behind the water department for backwash.
 Superintendent needs to inspect the media in the filter.

FY25 Annual Financial Report – motion by Noelting to accept, 2nd by Peterson. Approved.
 Compensation/Bonuses – motion by Arends to pay bonuses to Christian and Aimee for \$500, and additional bonus to Aimee for \$400 from the RAGBRAI fund, and to give Christian and Aimee each a 3% increase in salary for 2026.
 Motion seconded by Noelting.

Have a junk car?

Call Virgil Larsen for pricing
 (641) 751-2512

He will pay you for it and haul it away too!

December Minutes (cont'd)

Approved.

New Park Landscaping – Discussed a rock with a plaque and a metal sign, could use funds from RAGBRAI, there have been inquiries from a couple families in town about adopting a welcome sign, would plant the flowers in the planter boxes and maintain them, council thinks it's a great idea, could have a small sign at each one “adopted by ____”.

Nuisances – Will contact a landlord of vacant house that has pile of furniture at the curb for almost a month now.

Septic – issues at 204 Villa are being worked on.

Building permits – none.

Clerk administered oath of office to the following: Jason Christensen, Mayor; Brad Peterson, Council; Roy Arends, Council; Monica Pals, Council.

Adjourned at 7:15 PM

Building Permits

Don't forget that you need a permit if you are planning a home addition, construction of a building, placing a fence or concrete, building a deck, or making any other alteration to your property.

Permit applications are free and can be picked up from City Hall during regular business hours along with a copy of the City Building Code.