

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALGONA, KOSSUTH COUNTY, IOWA

The City Council of the City of Algona, Iowa, met in regular session February 7, 2005, at 4:30 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers with Mayor Lynn R. Kueck and the following council members:

Present: Esser, Von Ruden, Curtis, Kohlhaas, Lighter

Absent: Weaver

Also present: City Administrator O'Donnell, Director of Public Works Schaeffer, City Attorney Doster.

AGENDA

Von Ruden moved and Kohlhaas seconded the motion that the agenda for this meeting be approved. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

CITIZEN'S OPPORTUNITY

Mayor Kueck welcomed the Leadership Class that was attending the council meeting. He also shared a brochure from that Algona Public Library and reported that the Algona Fire Department had 48 calls in 2004.

Mayor Kueck announced that the City of Algona has been named as a Tree City USA for the fourth year in a row.

CONSENT AGENDA

Lighter moved and Esser seconded the motion that the following be approved as part of the Consent Agenda:

- a. Minutes of January 17, 2005, council meeting, January 20, 2005, special meeting, January 31, 2005, budget workshop session and February 1, 2005, budget workshop session.
- b. Appropriating Resolution No. 04/05/-15 (bills)
- c. Beer permit renewal for Kum & Go (N. Jones)
- d. Beer permit renewal for Fareway
- e. Beer permit renewal for Hy-Vee Food Stores
- f. Beer permit renewal for Casey's General Store (N. Main)
- g. Beer permit for Algona Raceways
- h. Administrator's report

On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF MORTGAGE

Jason and Amber Berte received down payment/closing cost assistance and are now refinancing their home. They have repaid the assistance and the city needs to release the mortgage.

Von Ruden moved and Kohlhaas seconded the motion that Resolution No. 05-07, "**Resolution Authorizing Execution of Release or Satisfaction of Mortgage**", be adopted. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVE EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT-CITY ADMINISTRATOR

Lighter moved and Curtis seconded the motion that Resolution No. 05-08, "**Resolution Approving Employment Agreement with City Administrator**", be adopted. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

SET DATE & TIME FOR PUBLIC HEARING TO REZONE-CINK

Mike Cink is requesting to rezone property on Irvington Road from AG to RS-80. The Algona Planning & Zoning Commission has reviewed it. Esser moved and Von Ruden seconded the motion to set February 21, 2005, at 5:00 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers for a public hearing on the request to rezone. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVE BIDS FOR DOWNTOWN PLANTINGS

The City received 3 bids for the baskets and plantings for downtown. Bids received that included care of the plantings were from Garden's Gate for \$7,900 and Green Gables for \$11,212. Country Gardens bid \$2,752.40, but did not include the care of the plantings.

Lighter moved and Kohlhaas second the motion accept the bid from Garden's Gate for \$7,900. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENT-BD OF ADJUSTMENT

Esser moved and Lighter seconded the motion to re-appoint Bob Riedel to the Algona Board of Adjustment. His term will expire January 28, 2010. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVE APPLICATIONS FOR URBAN REVITALIZATION TAX EXEMPTION

Lighter moved and Von Ruden seconded the motion to approve the Application for Urban Revitalization Tax Exemption for Daniel Foertsch for new construction for his plumbing business. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

Lighter moved and Esser seconded the motion to approve the Application for Urban Revitalization Tax Exemption for Janice and Gregory Elbert for new

construction of a shop and storage shed. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

Lighter moved and Von Ruden seconded the motion to approve the Application for Urban Revitalization Tax Exemption for Kemna Properties for commercial building addition. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

Von Ruden moved and Esser seconded the motion to approve the Application for Urban Revitalization Tax Exemption for Patrick Sifert for new retail and storage construction. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

Curtis moved and Von Ruden seconded the motion to approve the Application for Urban Revitalization Tax Exemption for Jeff & Roxanne Pfeffer for new residential. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

Von Ruden moved and Curtis seconded the motion to approve the Application for Urban Revitalization Tax Exemption for Justin Ruhnke for residential remodeling. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

Von Ruden moved and Curtis seconded the motion to approve the Application for Urban Revitalization Tax Exemption for Bob & Norma Ruhnke for residential remodeling. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

Von Ruden moved and Curtis seconded the motion to approve the Application for Urban Revitalization Tax Exemption for Larry & Coleen Kollasch for residential remodeling. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Kueck announced at 5:00 p.m., that this is the time and place for a public hearing to consider the offers to buy from individuals for a vacated alley on S. Sample Street owned by the City. Norberto Mireles, Steve Weaver, Corey Johnson and Dewey Skilling have all put in offer to buy the vacated portion of an alley adjacent to their properties. There being no objections either written or oral, the Mayor declared the public hearing closed at 5:04 p.m.

ACCEPTING OFFER TO BUY

Lighter moved and Von Ruden seconded the motion that Resolution No. 05-09, "**Resolution Accepting Offer to Buy, Authorizing Sale and Conveyance of Real Estate and Approving Quit Claim Deed**", be adopted. This is an offer from Norberto Mireles to purchase, for \$300, the south one-half of the vacated alley adjacent to his property. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

ACCEPTING OFFER TO BUY

Von Ruden moved and Kohlhaas seconded the motion that Resolution No. 05-10, "**Resolution Accepting Offer to Buy, Authorizing Sale and Conveyance of Real Estate and Approving Quit Claim Deed**", be adopted. This is an offer from Steven A. and Kimberly Weaver to purchase, for \$100, the north one-half of the vacated alley adjacent to their property. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

ACCEPTING OFFER TO BUY

Von Ruden moved and Kohlhaas seconded the motion that Resolution No. 05-11, "**Resolution Accepting Offer to Buy, Authorizing Sale and Conveyance of Real Estate and Approving Quit Claim Deed**", be adopted. This is an offer from Corey Johnson to purchase, for \$100, the north one-half of the vacated alley adjacent to his property. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

ACCEPTING OFFER TO BUY

Von Ruden moved and Kohlhaas seconded the motion that Resolution No. 05-12, "**Resolution Accepting Offer to Buy, Authorizing Sale and Conveyance of Real Estate and Approving Quit Claim Deed**", be adopted. This is an offer from Robert Dewey and Ruth Skilling, Jr. to purchase, for \$100, the north one-half of the vacated alley adjacent to their property. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

Von Ruden moved and Curtis seconded the motion that this meeting be adjourned. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:13 p.m.

Lynn R. Kueck, Mayor

ATTEST:

Rexann McEnroe, City Clerk