

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 a work session March 3, 2008, at 3:30 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers with Mayor Pro Tem Tim Lighter and the following council members:

Present: Von Ruden, Curtis, Kohlhaas, Weaver

Absent: Esser

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

Department heads were present to update Council on their departments. Present were Russ Piehl and Don Walker, EMS; Chuck Bell, Fire; Jet Kofoot, Library; Peg Bell, Recreation and Aquatic Center; Jim Pergande, Waste Water Treatment Plant; Kurt Nielsen, Street; and Kevin Bangert, Police.

Meeting adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

Tim Lighter, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:

Rexann McEnroe, City Clerk

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The City Council of the City of Algona, Iowa, met in a regular session March 3, 2008, at 4:30 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers with Mayor Pro Tem Tim Lighter and the following council members:

Present: Von Ruden, Curtis, Kohlhaas, Weaver

Absent: Esser

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

AGENDA

Kohlhaas moved and Curtis 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

Councilmember Curtis thanked the residents that have cleared the ice and snow off their sidewalks. Council members Kohlhaas and Lighter complimented the Street Department on the snow removal this winter and how much better it is compared to other cities.

City Administrator O'Donnell commented on the proposed open meeting law bill and explained why that the League of Cities opposed it because of the inclusions that were part of the bill.

CONSENT AGENDA

Von Ruden moved and Weaver seconded the motion that the following be approved as part of the Consent Agenda:

- a. Minutes of February 18, 2008, work session
- b. Minutes of February 18, 2008, council meeting
- c. Appropriating Resolution No. 07/08-17 (bills)
- d. Administrator's report

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

ORDINANCE CHANGING THE NUMBER OF
PARK BOARD COMMISSIONERS AND HOW THEY ARE APPOINTED-3rd READING

Kohlhaas moved and Weaver seconded the motion to waive the third reading of the proposed ordinance changing the number of Park Board Commissioners from 3 to 5 and have them appointed by the Council instead of being elected. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

Kohlhaas moved and Curtis seconded the motion to approve the third reading of the proposed ordinance. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

Kohlhaas moved and Weaver seconded the motion that Ordinance No. 952, **An Ordinance Amending the Algona Municipal Code by Changing the Number of Park Board Commissioners and How They are Appointed**, be adopted. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE OPERATION
OF GOLF CARTS ON CITY STREETS-1ST READING

Kohlhaas moved and Curtis seconded the motion to waive the first reading of the proposed ordinance allowing operation of golf carts on city streets. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

City Administrator O'Donnell summarized the proposed ordinance and reviewed all the restrictions on the proposed ordinance. Councilmember Von Ruden gave a statement why she is against the proposed ordinance. Council members Kohlhaas and Curtis gave statements why they would be for the new ordinance considering golf carts are allowed by state law and the city is putting more restrictions to make it safer.

Kohlhaas moved and Curtis seconded the motion to approve the first reading of the proposed ordinance. On call of the roll the vote was as follows: Ayes: Lighter, Curtis, Kohlhaas, Weaver. Nays: Von Ruden. Motion carried.

ACKNOWLEDGING REPAYMENT OF RLF LOAN-PET KINGDOM

Pet Kingdom received a retail revolving loan and has satisfied the terms of the loan.

Kohlhaas moved and Curtis seconded the motion that Resolution No. 08-15, "**Resolution Acknowledging Repayment of Revolving Loan Fund Loan by Debra Wolfe**", be adopted. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVE REQUEST FOR REDUCTION OF SEWER CHGS.-ALG. PROPERTIES

Algona Properties is requesting a refund of sewer charges for two properties located at 602 S. Blackford. The properties had water leaks and none of the water entered the sanitary sewer system.

Weaver moved and Kohlhaas seconded the motion to approve a refund for sanitary sewer charges in the amount of \$211.20 for property one and \$474.40 for property two for a total of \$685.60. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVE REQUEST FOR ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

Von Ruden moved and Curtis seconded the motion to approve the request from the St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee to hold their parade March 17, 2008, at 4:00 p.m. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

SET DATE & TIME FOR A PUBLIC HEARING
ON STORM SEWER IMPROVEMENTS

Kohlhaas moved and Weaver seconded the motion to set March 17, 2008, at 5:00 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, for a public hearing on the Plans, Specifications, Engineer's Cost Estimates and Form of Contract for the 2008 Storm Sewer Project. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

NOTIFICATION OF VACANCY-LIB. BD. OF TRUSTEES

Ann Gales has resigned from the Library Board of Trustees. She was the country representative and her term would expire June 30, 2010.

PUBLIC HEARING ON 08/09 FY BUDGET ESTIMATE

Mayor Pro Tem Lighter announced at 5:00 p.m., that this is the time and place for a public hearing on the 2008/2009 Budget Estimate. City Administrator O'Donnell gave a presentation on the proposed budget and informed the Council that our property tax levy is decreasing from \$15.09 to \$14.81.

There being no other comments either written or oral the public hearing was closed at 5:11 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING-OFFER TO BUY PORTION
OF VACATED E. LUCAS STREET-BARCO DEVELOPMENT

Mayor Pro Tem Lighter announced at 5:11 p.m. that this is the time and place for a public hearing on an offer to buy a portion of vacated E. Lucas Street between Lots 23 and 22 in Eastland Heights Addition.

Barco Development has offered \$7,500 for this portion of vacated E. Lucas Street, the appraised value of the property is \$19,000.

After discussion, and there being no other comments, either written or oral, the public hearing was closed at 5:35 p.m.

APPROVING 08/09 FY BUDGET

Weaver moved and Lighter seconded the motion that Resolution No. 08-16, "**A Resolution Adopting the Budget and Certification of Taxes for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2009**", be adopted. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

ACCEPTING OFFER TO BUY-BARCO

Kohlhaas moved and Curtis seconded the motion that Resolution No. 08-17, "**Resolution Accepting Offer to Buy, Authorizing Sale and Conveyance of Real Estate and Approving Quit Claim Deed**", for the portion of vacated E. Lucas Street between Lots 23 and 22 in Eastland Heights Addition in the

amount of \$7,500, be adopted. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes.
Motion carried.

Weaver 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 5:39 p.m. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes.
Motion carried.

Tim Lighter, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:

Rexann McEnroe, City Clerk