

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 on March 19, 2007, at 4:30 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, with Mayor Lynn R. Kueck and the following council members:

Present: Esser (via phone), Von Ruden, Curtis, Kohlhaas, Weaver, Lighter.

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

AGENDA

Kohlhaas moved and Lighter 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 told the Council that on March 1st, during the blizzard, Doris Mueller had gone outside to clear the ice off of her furnace vent and fell. Nick Bormann who lives a block north of her, was out shoveling snow that evening and thought he heard cries for help. He and his wife, Jeannetta went out and found Mrs. Mueller, who had been outside for approximately 3 1/2 hours. Mayor Kueck will be nominating Nick and Jeannetta Bormann for the Governor's Life Saving Award that is given out each year.

He also attended the Vision Iowa meeting and gave an update on tourism in the state.

Mayor Kueck invited the public to a legislative forum on March 24th, 10:00 a.m., at the Algona Public Library.

Councilmember Lighter asked if the St. Patrick's Committee asked permission to hold their parade and suggested that City staff remind them that they do need permission.

Councilmember Kohlhaas inquired if a deer count had been done since there was snow on the ground. City Administrator O'Donnell will check into it. He also asked what the status was for the annexation study. City Administrator informed him the study was in progress.

Jim Conard, Algona Chamber of Commerce Board President, gave the Council an update on the Blizzard Bake Off, the Home and Health Show, and the seminars that have been held and upcoming events.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- a. Minutes of March 5, 2007, council meeting
- b. Appropriating Resolution No. 06/07-18 (bills)
- c. Liquor license renewal for Billie Jo's
- d. Liquor license renewal for Pep's
- e. Cigarette permit for The Lava Lounge
- f. Department reports for February
- g. Minutes of various Boards/Commissions
- h. Administrator's report

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

ORDINANCE SETTING COMPENSATION FOR COUNCIL-3rd READING

Von Ruden moved and Kohlhaas seconded the motion to waive the third reading of the proposed ordinance increasing compensation for the Council from \$75.00 per meeting to \$100.00 per meeting. On call of the roll the vote was as follows: On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

Von Ruden moved and Kohlhaas seconded the motion to approve the third reading of the proposed ordinance increasing compensation for the Council from \$75.00 per meeting to \$100.00 per meeting. On call of the roll the vote was as follows: Ayes: Esser, Von Ruden, Curtis, Kohlhaas, Weaver. Nays: Lighter. Motion carried.

Von Ruden moved and Kohlhaas seconded the motion to adopt Ordinance No. 937, **An Ordinance Amending the Algona Municipal Code by Increasing the Compensation to be Paid to the City Council Members.** This ordinance will be in effect beginning January 1, 2008. On call of the roll the vote was as follows: Ayes: Esser, Von Ruden, Curtis, Kohlhaas, Weaver. Nays: Lighter. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE INCREASING COMPENSATION FOR MAYOR-2nd READING

Von Ruden moved and Kohlhaas seconded the motion to waive the second reading of the proposed ordinance increasing the Mayor's pay from \$6,500 per year to \$7,000 per year. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

Von Ruden moved and Kohlhaas seconded the motion to approve the second reading of the proposed ordinance increasing the Mayor's compensation. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

Lighter moved and Weaver seconded the motion to waive the third reading of the proposed ordinance increasing the Mayor's compensation. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

Lighter moved and Weaver seconded the motion to adopt Ordinance No. 938, **An Ordinance Amending the Algona Municipal Code by Increasing the Compensation to be Paid to the Mayor.** This ordinance will be in effect beginning January 1, 2008. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A STORM WATER UTILITY-1ST READING

Von Ruden moved and Kohlhaas seconded the motion to waive the first reading of the proposed ordinance establishing a storm water drainage system district utility. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes.

City Administrator O'Donnell gave a summary on the proposed storm water utility. Revenues from the monthly charges will be used to improve and repair the storm water sewer system.

Von Ruden moved and Curtis seconded the motion to approve the first reading of the proposed ordinance establishing a storm water drainage system district utility. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF MORTGAGE-L. HANSON

Lyle and Becky Hanson have satisfied their housing rehabilitation loan and the mortgage needs to be released.

Weaver moved and Von Ruden seconded the motion that Resolution No. 07-14, **"Resolution Authorizing Execution of Release or Satisfaction of Mortgage"**, be adopted. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

AUTHORIZING SUBORDINATION AGREEMENT-B. RINDONE

Brien Rindone received a housing assistance loan and is now refinancing his home. The bank is requesting we subordinate our mortgage to theirs.

Von Ruden moved and Curtis seconded the motion that Resolution No. 07-15, **"Resolution Authorizing Execution of Subordination Agreement for Brien G Rindone"**, be adopted. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

SET DATE & TIME FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON
REQUEST TO REZONE -1621 E. COMMERCIAL & 810 N. MAIN

Weaver moved and Lighter seconded the motion to set April 2, 2007, at 5:00 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, for a public hearing on the request from Wayne Clegg to rezone properties located at 1621 E. Commercial and 810 N. Main from LM to HSB. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

CITIZEN'S OPPORTUNITY

Chuck Shockley, KLGA, asked for an update on the repair of potholes and the bridge project.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR EVALUATION-CLOSED SESSION

Lighter moved and Weaver seconded the motion that the Council adjourn into a closed session pursuant to Iowa Code Chapter 21.5 (1).i for the purpose of evaluation the City Administrator, as he had requested a closed session. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried. The Council adjourned into closed session at 5:00 p.m. and returned into open session at 6:00 p.m.

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 6:00 p.m.

Lynn R. Kueck, Mayor

ATTEST:

Rexann McEnroe, City Clerk