

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 on April 17, 2006, at 3:30 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, with Mayor Lynn R. Kueck and the following council members:

Present: Lighter, Esser, Curtis, Kohlhaas, Weaver

Absent: Von Ruden

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

Councilmember Von Ruden arrived at 3:45 p.m.

David Little and Krista Rostad from the Iowa Department of Transportation gave a presentation on a 4-lane to 3-lane conversion for Highway 169 South corridor. Other options were discussed, including traffic signals like those at the HyVee/Kmart intersection. Street and Sewers Committee will research all options and bring them back to the council at a later date.

Meeting adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

Lynn R. Kueck, Mayor

ATTEST:

Rexann McEnroe, City Clerk

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The City Council of the City of Algona, Iowa, met in regular session on April 17, 2006, at 4:30 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, with Mayor Lynn R. Kueck and the following council members:

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

Absent: None

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

Mayor Kueck informed the Council that the Algona Municipal Airport was featured in the *Iowa Aviation Bulletin*. Also, Algona has been named as a Tree City USA for the fifth year.

Councilmember Lighter thanked Sister Sarah's and everyone involved for a successful fundraiser for the Kossuth County Food Pantry.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- a. Minutes of April 3, 2006, council work session
- b. Minutes of April 3, 2006, council meeting
- c. Appropriating Resolution No. 05/06-20 (bills)
- d. Liquor license renewal for Wine & Spirits Shoppe, Inc.
- e. Beer permit renewal for Algona Pizza Ranch
- f. Department reports for March
- g. Minutes of various Boards/Commissions
- h. Administrator's report

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

APPROVE RELEASE OF MORTGAGE-REMY/ROOF

Nicki Remy and Ray Roof received a housing assistance loan and are now selling their house. They have repaid the loan and the mortgage needs to be released.

Kohlhaas moved and Lighter seconded the motion that Resolution No. 06-28, "**Resolution Authorizing Execution of Release or Satisfaction of Mortgage**", be adopted. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH EMPLOYEE BENEFIT SYSTEMS

Employee Benefit Systems will be our new self funding administrator. The agreement sets forth conditions for compliance with HIPPA regulations.

Lighter moved and Kohlhaas seconded the motion that Resolution No. 06-29, **"Resolution Approving Business Associate Contract Addendum with Great River Insurance Company, Inc., D/B/A Employee Benefit Systems"**, be adopted. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

AUTHORIZING RLF DISTRIBUTION-B & CO.

Molly Becker is planning to open a women's and children's clothing store. The loan request is for \$10,000.00 at 0% interest for 5 years.

Von Ruden moved and Kohlhaas seconded the motion that Resolution No. 06-30, **"A Resolution Approving Distribution of Revolving Loan Funds to B & Co., L.C."**, be adopted. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

SETTING DATE & TIME FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, FORM OF CONTRACT AND ESTIMATE OF COST-T-HANGAR IMPVTS.

Weaver moved and Lighter seconded the motion that Resolution No. 06-31, **"Resolution Setting Date and Time for a Public Hearing on Plans, Specifications, Form of Contract and Estimate of Cost for the T-Hangar Improvements Project at the Algona Municipal Airport, and the Taking of Bids for said Project"**, be adopted. The public hearing will be May 3, 2006, at 5:00 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVE EASEMENT WITH HEC FOR FIBER OPTIC LINE

HEC would like to connect their two buildings by a fiber optic line. The line would run under Poplar Street, this agreement grants them an easement through the roadway and sets forth conditions of the easement.

Lighter moved and Curtis seconded the motion that Resolution No. 06-32, **"Resolution Approving Easement with Hydrogen Engine Center, Inc. for a Fiber Optic Cable Line"**, be adopted under the condition that City Staff has the ability to make changes that would be prudent to the agreement. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH HUNT/HANKINS

Gene Hunt and Kurt Hankins plan to construct a building behind the Eastland Hills Plaza. To meet requirements for parking, they must pave the parking right-of-way of Mound Street. The agreement states that they will construct, maintain and clean this area freeing the City from any obligations in regards to that section of the right-of-way.

Lighter moved and Kohlhaas seconded the motion that Resolution No. 06-33, **"Resolution Approving Agreement"**, be adopted. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

SET DATE & TIME FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON MEADOWRIDGE SUB-DIVISION PRELIMINARY PLAT

Lighter moved and Weaver seconded the motion to set May 3, 2006, at 5:00 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, for a public hearing on the preliminary plat for Meadowridge Sub-division. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVE AMENDMENT TO PLANS FOR E. STATE RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT-DRIVEWAYS

Options were discussed regarding the driveways affected by the reconstruction of State Street. The original plan proposed that driveways in good condition would be replaced back to the first saw cuts; driveways in disrepair would be replaced back to the sidewalk; and gravel driveways would be replaced with concrete. With our previous two TEA-21 projects we did the following: Hall Street-every driveway received at least 4 feet of new concrete and gravel driveways were left gravel; Fair Street-all residential driveways, including gravel, were replaced with concrete. This was mainly due to many of them needing elevation changes.

Staff proposes these alternatives to the original plan: replace all drives to the sidewalk, regardless of condition; or replace 4 feet of all drives regardless of condition. Homeowners would have the option of replacing the rest of the driveway at their own cost, which could be assessed.

Weaver moved and Esser seconded the motion to approve Option B, replace 4 feet of all drives regardless of condition and homeowners would have the option of replacing the rest at their cost. On call of the roll the vote was as followings: Ayes: Esser, Von Ruden, Curtis, Weaver. Nays: Lighter, Kohlhaas. Motion carried.

APPROVE SEWER REFUND FOR COURTHOUSE

A.M.U. had replaced the water meter in the Auditor's Office 15 months ago with a touch read meter. During maintenance on this meter it was noticed that the actual reading did not match the computer reading. This resulted in an overcharge for water and sewer. The refund for the sewer charges is \$1,703.53.

Lighter moved and Kohlhaas seconded the motion to approve the refund of \$1,703.53 to the Kossuth County Auditor. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

NOTIFICATION OF TERM EXPIRING-AMU BD. OF TRUSTEES

Notification was given that Al Bonde's term on the A.M.U. Board of Trustees will expire May 31, 2006.

APPOINT ALTERNATIVE REP. TO KCEDC BD. OF DIRECTOR'S

Jim Conard is the current alternate to the KCEDC Board of Director's and he is unable to make the meetings. A new alternate needs to be appointed. Anyone who would be interested in serving was asked to call City Hall.

APPROVE APPLICATION FOR URBAN REVITALIZATION TAX EXEMPTION

Kohlhaas moved and Weaver seconded the motion to approve the Application for Urban Revitalization Tax Exemption for Dixon and Shirley Young, new residential. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

CITIZEN'S OPPORTUNITY

Councilmember Von Ruden informed the Council they need to finalize plans for the Employee/Boards and Commissions Recognition Dinner.

Chuck Shockley, KLGA, asked the Mayor to summarize the work session on the 4 lane to 3 lane conversion of Hwy. 169 S. He also asked what was being done about potholes. Public Works Director Schaeffer explained that general maintenance was being done. Mayor Kueck reminded everyone that certain potholes in entrances to businesses were the business responsibility.

Public Works Director Schaeffer asked the Council when they would like to do the NIMS training. Several dates will be brought to them to see what works for everyone.

Weaver moved and Curtis seconded the motion that this meeting be adjourned. On call of the roll he vote was all ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

Lynn R. Kueck, Mayor

ATTEST:

Rexann McEnroe, City Clerk