

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 June 21, 2004, at 4:30 p.m., in the City Hall Council Chambers with Mayor Lynn R. Kueck and the following council members:

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

Absent: Curtis

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

AGENDA

Kohlhaas moved and Esser 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

Delores Besch, homeowner in the Kennedy Street/Jerome Street vicinity, passed around pictures of her basement that showed sewer backup from the heavy rains we have received. She said they normally do get water, but it is always just water, not sewer. A few years ago, residents from the area had the same problems and were told that the City will look into it. City Administrator O'Donnell informed the council and the residents that the City will be trying to determine the problem and correct it in that area. The City will be doing this project instead of the project designated for this fiscal year budget, which is the Garrigan interceptor line. This will be on the next Streets and Sewers Committee meeting.

Councilmember Von Ruden informed the Council and the public that Kossuth County Connections meet every fourth Thursday of the month at the YMCA to better educate the public on the meth problem in the area. She encouraged everyone to attend these informational meetings.

Mayor Kueck congratulated the Noon Kiwanis Club who are celebrating their 80th year. Also, the Chamber of Commerce is holding their annual golf tournament on Friday, June 25th.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- a. Minutes of June 7, 2004, council meeting
- b. Appropriating Resolution No. 03/04-24 (bills)
- c. Beer permit renewal for Kmart
- d. Cigarette permit renewals for Fareway, Kum & Go (220 S. Phillips & 304 N. Jones), Chrome Truck Stop, Wessels Crossroads, Pep's, Inc. Hy-Vee Wine & Spirits, Jukebox, Sister Sarah's, Hy-Vee Food Store
- e. Department reports for May
- f. Minutes of various Boards/Commissions
- g. Administrator's report

On call of the roll the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Kohlhaas, Lighter, Esser, Von Ruden

Abstain: Weaver

Motion carried.

APPROVE RLF AGREEMENT - DR. MONTE GRANDGEORGE

Lighter moved and Weaver seconded the motion that Resolution No. 04-32, **"RESOLUTION APPROVING \$7,000.00 LOAN AGREEMENT WITH DR. MONTE GRANDGEORGE"**, be adopted. The loan will be for 5 years at 0%, security will be in the form of a mortgage. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVE RLF AGREEMENT - VESTIO

Lighter moved and Esser seconded the motion that Resolution No. 04-33, **"RESOLUTION APPROVING \$10,000.00 LOAN AGREEMENT WITH VESTIO, L.L.C."**, be adopted. The loan will be for 5 years at 0%, security would be in the equipment and personal guarantees. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVE UNION CONTRACT-PUBLIC WORKS EMPLOYEES

Esser moved and Lighter seconded the motion that Resolution No. 04-34, **"RESOLUTION APPROVING UNION CONTRACT WITH WASTEWATER, PARKS, STREET AND CEMETERY EMPLOYEES"**, be approved. This is a two year contract with 3.25% increase in wages each year, an additional 80 hours of sick leave, addition of dental/vision insurance, increase in employee deductible/out of pocket maximum, and a change in insurance carrier. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVE UNION CONTRACT-POLICE OFFICERS AND DISPATCHERS

Kohlhaas moved and Weaver seconded the motion that Resolution No. 04-35, **"RESOLUTION APPROVING UNION CONTRACT WITH POLICE OFFICERS AND DISPATCHERS"**, be approved. This is a two year contract with 3.25% increase in wages each year for police officers and 4.25%/4.75% for dispatchers, an additional 80 hours of sick leave, addition of dental/vision insurance, increase in

employee deductible/out of pocket maximum, and a change in insurance carrier. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

SETTING SALARIES FOR FY 2004/2005

Esser moved and Lighter seconded the motion that Resolution No. 04-36, **"RESOLUTION SETTING SALARIES FOR APPOINTED OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2004/2005"**, be adopted. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVE TRANSIT SERVICE AGREEMENT

Weaver moved and Von Ruden seconded the motion that Resolution No. 04-37, **"RESOLUTION APPROVING TRANSIT SERVICE AGREEMENT"**, be adopted. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVE TRANSIT LEASE AGREEMENT

Von Ruden moved and Weaver seconded the motion that Resolution No. 04-38, **"RESOLUTION APPROVING LEASE AGREEMENT"**, be adopted. The lease on the taxi is \$1.00 per year. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVE PRELIMINARY PLAT-GREEN ACRES

The Algona Planning and Zoning Commission have reviewed the preliminary plat for Green Acres subdivision, located north of Algona, outside the city limits, but within our two mile review area.

Lighter moved and Von Ruden seconded the motion that Resolution No. 04-39, **"RESOLUTION APPROVING PRELIMINARY PLAT FOR GREEN ACRES"**, be adopted. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVE IDOT RIGHT-OF-WAY WORK PERMIT-HWY. 169 BRIDGE

A local 4-H group would like to paint the inside rails of the Hwy. 169 bridge. The IDOT requires a right-of-way work permit. They have not yet indicated if they would approve the permit as they need to determine if the current paint is lead based.

Kohlhaas moved and Lighter seconded the motion to pre-approve the right-of-way work permit based on approval from the IDOT. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

SET DATE & TIME FOR FIRST COUNCIL MEETING IN JULY

Kohlhaas moved and Weaver seconded the motion to set Tuesday, July 6, 2004, at 4:30 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, as the first regular council meeting in July. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

REQUEST FOR PATROL AT CENTRAL PARK

Councilmember Weaver is requesting to hire patrol at Central Park for late afternoon to early evening. Discussion was held regarding the vandalism and harassment of younger children at the Skate Park. Weaver moved and Esser seconded the motion to refer this request to the Park Commission. On call of the roll the vote all ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVE APPLICATION FOR URBAN REVITALIZATION TAX EXEMPTION

Von Ruden moved and Kohlhaas seconded the motion to approve the Application for Urban Revitalization Tax Exemption for Robert Christian and Sara Guenther. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

NOTIFICATION OF TERM EXPIRING-CEMETERY BD.

Notification was given that Walter Reemtsma and Bill Dau terms on the Algona Cemetery Board will expire August 11, 2004.

REPORT ON NOMINEES-AIRPORT BD. OF ADJUSTMENT

Report was given on nominees for the Airport Board of Adjustment. Junior Hurlburt's term expires August 1, 2004.

APPOINTMENTS

Algona Housing Commission. Lighter moved and Weaver seconded the motion to approve the mayoral appointment of Jim Conard to fill the vacancy on the Algona Housing Commission. His term will expire January 1, 2005. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

Algona Library Board of Trustees. Kohlhaas moved and Lighter seconded the motion to approve the mayoral appointments of Cari Connick, Michelle Hjelle and Ann Gales to the Algona Library Board of Trustees. Their terms will expire June 30, 2010. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

DOWNTOWN PROJECT UPDATE

Chad Schaeffer, Director of Public Works, provided an update on the Downtown Project. State Street is paved and sidewalk work will begin. Intersections and State Street will be open by July 4th.

CITIZEN'S OPPORTUNITY

Mosquito spraying was discussed. The City does not spray, as aerial spraying is the only effective method and it is cost prohibitive.

Von Ruden moved and Weaver seconded the motion that this meeting be adjourned. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Meeting adjourned at 5:32 p.m.

Lynn R. Kueck, Mayor

ATTEST:

Rexann McEnroe, City Clerk