

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 July 19, 2004, at 4:30 p.m., in the City Hall Council Chambers with Mayor Lynn R. Kueck and the following council members:

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

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

Councilmember Lighter commended everyone involved with ABATE and the Sesquicentennial.

Mayor Kueck thanked Vicky Mallory, Rodney Davis, Lynn Jensen, Sandy Batt and Sandy Goede for all their hard work on the Sesquicentennial celebration. He also showed the framed resolution that Delores Mertz sponsored congratulating Algona on its 150 years.

Dates that the Mayor reminded everyone of are July 24th, Ridiculous Days and the Conference Swim Meet and July 26th, KGLO is sponsoring an antique tractor show.

City Administrator O'Donnell reminded the Council of the upcoming KCEDC County Wide Breakfast on August 12th.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- a. Minutes of July 6, 2004, council meeting
- b. Appropriating Resolution No. 04/05-2 (bills)
- c. Liquor license renewal for Candlelite Lounge
- d. Department reports for June
- e. Minutes of various Boards/Commissions
- f. Administrator's report

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

RELEASE OF MORTGAGE-J. BUCHANAN

Julie (King) Buchanan received a housing assistance loan for the down payment on a house. She is refinancing and our guidelines require repayment of the assistance.

Von Ruden moved and Kohlhaas seconded the motion that Resolution No. 04-45, "**Resolution Authorizing Execution of Release of Real Estate Mortgage**", be adopted. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVE AGREEMENT FOR RLF-TERESA'S BRIDAL

Von Ruden moved and Lighter seconded the motion that Resolution No. 04-46, "**Resolution Approving \$10,000.00 Loan Agreement With Teresa's Custom Tailoring, Inc. and Teresa M. Kellenberger and Joel E. Kellenberger**", be adopted. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVE AGREEMENT FOR RLF-SUBWAY SOUTH

Weaver moved and Esser seconded the motion that Resolution No. 04-47, "**Resolution Approving \$10,000.00 Loan Agreement with D & H Enterprises, Inc.**", be adopted. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVE AGREEMENT FOR RLF-TAN EXPRESSIONS

Von Ruden moved and Weaver seconded the motion that Resolution No. 04-48, "**Resolution Approving \$9,130.00 Loan Agreement with Patrick Sifert and Kay Sifert, D/B/A Tan Expressions**", be adopted. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVING AGREEMENT FOR RLF-AMERICAN MARINE

Von Ruden moved and Lighter seconded the motion that Resolution No. 04-49, "**Resolution Approving \$10,000.00 Loan Agreement with American Marine, Inc. and Cory Wiltse**", be adopted. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

REQUEST FOR VACATION LEAVE-D. GRUVER

Duane Gruver will be retiring at the end of July. He has four weeks of vacation. His last day of work will be July 29th and last day as an employee will be August 27th. The City's personnel policy states that any requests for leave greater than two weeks needs to be approved by the council.

Esser moved and Lighter seconded the motion to approve the request by Duane Gruver for additional vacation leave. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

SET DATE & TIME FOR PUBLIC HEARING ON APPLICATION FOR TIF-BARCO

BARCO Development has applied for TIF for their new building on Norwood Drive. A public hearing needs to be held before approving the developer's agreement. Kohlhaas moved and Lighter seconded the motion to set August 2, 2004, at 5:00 p.m., for a public hearing regarding TIF for BARCO Development. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

DOWNTOWN PROJECT-ELIMINATION OF TRAFFIC SIGNALS

Councilmember Von Ruden has asked that the City consider eliminating the traffic signals on State Street from Harlan to Thorington and replace them with stop signs or have no traffic signals at all.

Kurt Wiseman, Kuehl and Payer, reviewed the traffic signal or stop signs request. Most pole bases and traffic signal conduits are already installed. With stop signs installed, 22 parking spaces would need to be eliminated.

Discussion was held on the pros and cons. Safety of pedestrians trying to cross the street if there was no traffic control is a concern, also the elimination of parking spaces. No action was taken.

REPORT ON NOMINEES-ALGONA AIRPORT COMMISSION

Report was given on nominees for the Algona Airport Commission. Jim Voigt, whose term expires, does not want to serve again.

FINAL REPORT ON NOMINEES-CEMETERY BOARD

Final report was given on nominees for the Algona Cemetery Board. Bill Dau and Walter Reemtsma would both like to serve another term.

APPOINTMENT-AIRPORT BD. OF ADJUSTMENT

Von Ruden moved and Lighter seconded the motion to re-appoint Junior Hurlburt to the Algona Airport Board of Adjustment. His term will expire August 1, 2009. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

DOWNTOWN PROJECT UPDATE

Randy Sharp, CPMI, provided an update on the Downtown Project. Sidewalk work has started, next week they should be starting with the pavers. An awning company has talked to some of the businesses.

CLOSED SESSION-PURCHASE OF REAL ESTATE

Lighter moved and Kohlhaas seconded the motion that the Council adjourn into closed session pursuant to Iowa Code Chapter 21.5.1.j for the purpose to discuss purchase of particular real estate where disclosure could be reasonably expected to increase the price the City would have to pay for that property. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried. Council adjourned into closed session at 5:32 p.m. and returned to open session at 6:06 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 6:06 p.m.

Lynn R. Kueck

ATTEST:

Rexann McEnroe, City Clerk