

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 August 21, 2006, at 4:30 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, with Mayor Lynn R. Kueck and the following council members:

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

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

AGENDA

Kohlhaas moved and Von Ruden 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 read a "thank you" from the Senior Citizen's Center, thanking the Council for their annual contribution to them.

Also, he informed the Council that he has received several phone calls regarding citizen's allowing their dogs to run loose. He reminded citizen's that there is a leash law and to please keep their dogs tied up.

AUTHORIZE FUNDS FOR EMERGENCY LOANS-  
INSTALLATION OF SEWER BACKUP DEVICES

After the August 1-2 7" rainfall, some areas of the city had sewer and water backup in their basements. At the last council meeting, city staff was asked to recommend any solutions to help the people in these areas. City Administrator O'Donnell recommends that the city offers loans at 0% for 3 years, up to \$2,000, for anyone within the city to install sewer backup devices. The funds will come from Local Option Sales Tax.

After discussion, Lighter moved and Weaver seconded the motion that Resolution No. 06-74, "**A Resolution Authorizing Funds for Emergency Loans for the Installation of Sewer Back Up Devices**", be approved. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

CONCERNS/REQUESTS OF RESIDENTS  
AFFECTED BY WATER/SEWER DAMAGE

Rose Molacek read a statement regarding the damages from the night of the 7" inch rain, the cleanup, lost wages, stress, and health concerns.

Public Works Director Schaeffer prepared a report on the backup problems and actions that need to be taken. City Administrator O'Donnell reviewed the report and assured everyone once the problem is found it will be corrected.

James Sprout, 1613 E. Poplar, had a report base on infiltration in the Garrigan area that listed problems and what needed to be done. City Administrator O'Donnell informed him that was taken care of when the roof drains at Garrigan were disconnected from the sanitary sewer and that line is not connected to the line for Spruce and Poplar Streets.

Larry Evers, 1314 E. North, inquired about the drainage tax that he received with his property tax. The County did repair and maintenance work on Drainage District 51 and everyone in that area was assessed by the County for the cost of repairs.

Mark Erdman, 2120 E. Spruce, asked if they could receive monthly reports on what the City is doing for that area and that the sump pump inspection report be reviewed. The Council will keep the residents in that area informed of the progress.

Daryl Nelson, 2218 E. Spruce, asked if there would be a health risk for city employees with sewer gas that could build up with the installation of all the backup devices. Public Works Director Schaeffer told him that precautions are taken before entering a manhole or confined space.

DESIGNATING NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (NIMS)  
AS INCIDENT MANAGEMENT FOR THE CITY

The Mayor, Council, and necessary staff have completed all the NIMS training and tests. Kohlhaas moved and Lighter seconded the motion that Resolution No. 06-75, "**Resolution Designating the National Incident management System as the Basis for all Incident Management in the City of Algona**", be adopted. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVE PAY APPLICATION NO. 2-DIGESTER/MIXING SYSTEM

Kohlhaas moved and Lighter seconded the motion to approve Pay Application No. 2 in the amount of \$46,380.90 to Grundman-Hicks for work completed on the digester/mixing system at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

SET DATE & TIME FOR FIRST COUNCIL  
MEETING IN SEPTEMBER

Lighter moved and Weaver seconded the motion to set Tuesday, September 5, 2006, at 4:30 p.m., for the first council meeting in September. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

FINAL REPORT ON NOMINEES-RLF COMMITTEE

Final report was given on nominees for the Revolving Loan Committee.

APPOINTMENT-AIRPORT COMMISSION

Kohlhaas moved and Lighter seconded the motion to re-appoint Kevin Fett to the Algona Airport Commission. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING ESTABLISHING CULTURAL DISTRICT

Mayor Kueck announced at 6:13 p.m., that this is a time and place for a public hearing on an application to the Iowa Department of Cultural Affairs for the establishment of a cultural district. Julie Murphy, representing the committee that would like to establish a cultural district, reviewed the process of applying for establishment of a cultural district and what needed to be within the district. Establishment of the district allows access to various grants and programs, and must be sponsored by a local government. After discussion, and there being no other comments either oral or written the public hearing was closed at 6:20 p.m.

AUTHORIZING CERTIFICATION OF A CULTURAL DISTRICT

Lighter moved and Weaver seconded the motion that Resolution No. 06-76, **"A Resolution Authorizing Certification of a Cultural District for at Least Ten (10) Years to be Named the Heart of Algona"**, be adopted. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

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 6:22 p.m.

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Lynn R. Kueck, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Rexann McEnroe, City Clerk