

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

Present: Weaver, Lighter, Esser, Curtis, Kohlhaas

Absent: Von Ruden

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

AGENDA

Esser moved and Lighter seconded the motion that the agenda for this meeting be approved. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes.

CITIZEN'S OPPORTUNITY

Mayor Kueck congratulated Peg Bell, Recreation Director, on a successful Tornado Alley Run. She had over 140 runners and walkers. He also congratulated Vicky Mallory and the Band Day Committee on the success of Band Day.

Angie Asa-Lovstad and several youth were present in regard to the shut down of Skate Central. City Administrator O'Donnell explained that the shut down was due to vandalism inside the skate park and a railing that was taken apart needs to be fixed before it can re-open. Many of the youth spoke with ideas on how to decrease the vandalism at the park, including, supervision, security cameras, bolt down trash cans and locking the skate park up at night. Mayor Kueck invited the youth to the next Park Commission meeting at 8:00 a.m., Wednesday, October 6th. Councilmember Curtis suggested that some of the youths act as liaison with the Park Commission.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- a. Minutes of September 20, 2004, council meeting
- b. Appropriating Resolution No. 04/05/-7 (bills)
- c. Liquor license renewal for Hy-Vee Wine & Spirits
- d. Administrator's report

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

APPROVE DISTRIBUTION OF RLF-CSA

Kohlhaas moved and Lighter seconded the motion that Resolution No. 04-64, **"RESOLUTION APPROVING DISTRIBUTION OF REVOLVING LOAN FUNDS TO FRANKLIN D. RUSCH AND PATTY A. RUSCH"**, be adopted. This loan would be for \$10,000.00 at 0% for five years. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVE DISTRIBUTION OF RLF-BUSCHER FLORISTS

Esser moved and Weaver seconded the motion that Resolution No. 04-65, **"RESOLUTION APPROVING DISTRIBUTION OF REVOLVING LOAN FUNDS TO THOMAS H. BUSCHER AND SANDRA K. BUSCHER"**, be adopted. This loan would be for \$10,000.00 at 0% for five years. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF MORTGAGE-J. BONNELL

Justin Bonnell received a housing assistance loan for the down payment/closing costs on the house he bought. He has sold that house and has repaid the city the assistance amount.

Kohlhaas moved and Esser seconded the motion that Resolution No. 04-66, **"RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF RELEASE OR REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE"**, be adopted. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

AUTHORIZING SUSPENSION OF CIGARETTE PERMIT-KUM & GO

Kum & Go on South Phillips Street has had 3 violations for selling tobacco to minors. The City needs to suspend their cigarette permit for 30 days beginning on October 5, 2004, at 12:00 a.m. and ending on November 4, 2004, at 12:00 a.m.

Esser moved and Weaver seconded the motion that Resolution No. 04-67, **"RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUSPENSION OF CIGARETTE PERMIT FOR KUM & GO"**, be adopted. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

AMENDING RESOL. NO. 04-58-ARP EC. DEV. LOAN

Lighter moved and Kohlhaas seconded the motion that Resolution No. 04-68, **"RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION #04-58 REGARDING \$250,000.00 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT LOAN TO ALGONA REVITALIZATION PROJECT, INC."**, be adopted. This amends the previous Resolution by making the \$250,000 loan to ARP, Inc. payable in one payment in 10 years. If Fridley does not buy out ARP, then ARP can refinance our loan for 5 more years at 0%. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVE APPLICATION FOR URBAN REVITALIZATION TAX EXEMPTION

Lighter moved and Esser seconded the motion to approve the Application for Urban Revitalization Tax Exemption for Shirley Hedlund for a new garage. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

NOTIFICATION OF RESIGNATION-ALG. BD. OF ADJ.

Notification was given that Ray Johnson has resigned from the Algona Board of Adjustment. The Council needs to make an appointment to fill the unexpired term. Mr. Johnson's term would expire on January 28, 2007.

NOTIFICATION OF TERMS EXPIRING-RLF COMMITTEE

Notification was given that Cheryl Rasmussen, Greg Mullins, Jeff Knapp and Teri Von Ruden terms have expired. These are Council appointments.

REPORT ON NOMINEES-AIRPORT COMMISSION

Report was given on nominees for the Airport Commission. Frank Vitzthum's term expires November 27, 2004.

PUBLIC HEARING ON OFFER TO BUY-C. REDING

Mayor Kueck announced at 5:00 p.m. that this is the time and place for a public hearing on the offer to buy for \$10,000.00 plus costs, vacated portion of Commercial Street east of Putnam Street to the vacated portion of Clarke Street, McCoy Street north of the vacated portion of Commercial Street to the railroad right of way, and Clarke Street north of the vacated portion of Commercial Street to the railroad right of way from L.C.R., L.L.C. (d/b/a Reding's Gravel and Excavating Co.). There being no objections either written or oral, the Mayor declared the public hearing closed at 5:02 p.m.

ACCEPTING OFFER TO BUY-C. REDING

Lighter moved and Kohlhaas seconded the motion that Resolution No. 04-69, **"RESOLUTION ACCEPTING OFFER TO BUY, AUTHORIZING SAEL AND CONVEYANCE OF REAL ESTATE AND APPROVING QUIT CLAIM DEED"**, be adopted. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

DOWNTOWN PROJECT UPDATE

Dick Stafford, Allied Construction, updated the Council on the Downtown Project. All the street and traffic light poles have arrived. Installation will start this week. Punch list items are being reviewed. His sub-contractors are in Spirit Lake right now and probably won't be able to start some of the work for a couple of weeks.

CITIZEN'S OPPORTUNITY

City Administrator O'Donnell requested that the Council consider dates for their annual retreat. He would like to see a full day, or a Friday evening and Saturday morning, and also possibly have a facilitator present at the retreat.

Weaver 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 5:18 p.m.

Lynn R. Kueck, Mayor

ATTEST:

Rexann McEnroe, City Clerk