

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 19, 2009, 4:30 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, with Mayor Pro Tem Howard Esser and the following council members:

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

Absent: None

Also present: City Administrator O'Donnell, City Attorney Doster

AGENDA

Kohlhaas moved and Weaver seconded the motion to amend the agenda by removing Item D, Approve Class B Wine Permit for The Gallery Brew, on the Consent Agenda and approve the amended agenda. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

CITIZEN'S OPPORTUNITY

Councilmember Kohlhaas inquired if the state budget cuts will affect the city. City Administrator O'Donnell explained that the City doesn't receive state funds as they were cut back in 2003. Grants received are mostly federal grants.

Councilmember Von Ruden asked about the gas franchise fees and TIF. City Administrator O'Donnell said the law suit is specific to Des Moines and the legislature passed a bill allowing gas/electric franchise fees. TIF is a positive thing for the City. Ours is used for economic development, the developer makes the improvements and the City rebates taxes back through TIF.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- a. Approve minutes of October 5, 2009, work session
- b. Approve minutes of October 19, 2009, council meeting
- c. Approve Appropriating Resolution No. 09/10-08 (bills)
- d. Removed
- e. Approve department reports
- f. Approve minutes of various Boards/Commissions
- g. Approve Administrator's report

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

ANIMAL PROTECTION & EDUCATION-KOSS. ANIMAL RESCUE

Margo Adams, Kossuth County Rescue League, introduced Linn Cipperley-Price from Animal Protection and Education. She proposed a program for trap, neuter and return for feral cats. There are grants funds, but sponsorship funds are also needed. The cost would be approximately \$35-45 per cat.

City Administrator O'Donnell will contract other cities that have implemented this program and set up a work session.

ACCEPT BID FOR STORM SEWER IMPVTS.-WALNUT & LOCUST

Weaver moved and Kohlhaas seconded the motion to accept the bid from Erpelding Excavating in the amount of \$16,080.70, for storm sewer improvements between Walnut and Locust. On call of the roll the vote was all ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVE APPLICATION FOR URBAN REVITALIZATION TAX EXEMPTION-HENRY

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

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 5:10 p.m.

Howard Esser, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:

Rexann McEnroe, City Clerk