

**CITY OF ALTOONA COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, MAY 19, 2014, 6:30 P.M.
AT THE ALTOONA CITY HALL**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Roll Call at 6:30 pm

Mayor Conkling – present Boka – present Harmeyer – absent
Mertz- present O’Connor – present Sloan- present

City Officials Present: Jeff Mark, Jody Matherly, Jerry Whetstone, Vern Willey, John Shaw, Amy Hill, City Attorney Bob Laden,

Audience Present: Scott Rogers, Sandy Rogers, Dave Person, Margie Schaffner, Robert Hall, Mark Kolstead, Ian Bodin, Paul Friedrichson, Sandy Freidrickson, Kit Barron, Josh Barron, Bernard Jennisch, Mark Thompson, Dave Person

2. Perfecting and approval of the agenda

Mayor Skip Conkling requested to approve agenda as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Y Boka A Harmeyer Y Mertz 1 O’Connor 2 Sloan (4-0)

3. Proclamation for Emergency Medical Services Week

Mayor Conkling proclaimed May 19 - 23, 2014, as Arson Awareness Week.

4. Approval May 5, 2014, Council Minutes

Roll Call Vote:

Y Boka A Harmeyer Y Mertz 1 O’Connor 2 Sloan (4-0)

5. Citizens request to address council

No came forward to speak.

6. Public hearing to consider a development plan amendment for Eagle Creek Estates

Mayor Conkling explained the owners, Eagle Creek Estates, LLC. are seeking a plan amendment the Eagle Creek development plan. The request is to change 10 attached townhome units into nine single-family lots. The single-family lots are proposed as lots 1-9 on the drawing. The property is located south of 8th Street SW and is accessed from Eagle Creek Blvd and 25th Avenue SW. The owners have pulled the resolution request from the agenda but the public hearing will still be opened.

Open Hearing at 6:34pm

Public Comment: *Bernard Jennisch, 1109 25th Ave. SW, Altoona, asked if he needed to resubmit his letter stating his opinion on the development amendment. City Administrator Jeff Mark requested Mr. Jennisch resubmit since he turned the letter past January 2014.

*Dave Person, 1006 Eagle Creek Blvd., Altoona, stated he opposed the changes as they are presented at this time.

*Council Member Dean O’Connor motion to continue to hearing for when the item returns to a future agenda. Council Member Michelle Sloan seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Y Boka A Harmeyer Y Mertz 1 O’Connor 2 Sloan (4-0)

7. Resolution to consider a development plan amendment for Eagle Creek Estates

No action taken.

8. **Public hearing to consider a 100% voluntary annexation request for property owned by the City of Altoona consisting of 5.62 acres at the north end of the Spring Creek Sports Complex**
Mayor Conkling explained this is a public hearing to consider annexing 5.62 acres into the City of Altoona. The property is currently owned by the City and was intended to sell to a developer for the construction of a single row of single-family homes. The property is located on the north edge of the Spring Creek Sports Complex and south of 15th Street SE from 9th Ave. SE to 10th Ave. SE.

Open Hearing at 6:39pm

Public Comment: No one came forward to speak.

Closed Hearing at 6:40pm

9. **Resolution to approve the annexation request for property owned by the City of Altoona consisting of 5.62 acres at the north end of the Spring Creek Sports Complex**
Resolution 5-19-2014 #02 TO APPROVE THE ANNEXATION REQUEST FOR PROPERTY OWNED BY THE CITY OF ALTOONA CONSISTING OF 5.62 ACRES AT THE NORTH END OF THE SPRING CREEK SPORTS COMPLEX

Roll Call Vote:

Y Boka A Harmeyer Y Mertz 1 O'Connor 2 Sloan (4-0)

10. **Public hearing to consider City of Altoona Fiscal Year 2013/2014 Budget Amendment**

Mayor Conkling explained the budget amendment and certification which includes some of the expenditures are for pool repairs, fuel, overtime, sand, salt and new economic development projects.

Open Hearing at 6:40pm

Public Comment: No one came forward to speak.

Closed Hearing at 6:41pm

11. **Resolution to consider City of Altoona Fiscal Year 2013/2014 Budget Amendment**
Resolution 5-19-2014 #03

Roll Call Vote:

Y Boka A Harmeyer Y Mertz 1 O'Connor 2 Sloan (4-0)

12. **Consent Agenda**

a) **Allow Bills**

b) **Consider approval of Police Department fee schedule for records requests**

d) **Resolution approving requests for tax abatement**

Resolution 5-19-2014 #04 APPROVING REQUESTS FOR TAX ABATEMENT

e) **Resolution approving the transfer of funds for bond and interest payments**

Resolution 5-19-2014 #05 APPROVING THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR BOND AND INTEREST PAYMENTS

f) **Resolution approving special assessment schedule No. 2014-05 for delinquent water accounts thru 5-12-2014**

Resolution 5-19-2014 #06 APPROVING SPECIAL ASSESSMENT SCHEDULE NO. 2014-05 FOR DELINQUENT WATER ACCOUNTS THRU 5-12-2014

g) **Resolution to approve tax abatement for Meadow Vista Estates Plat 7 – Lots 1 thru' 21**

Resolution 5-19-2014 #07 TO APPROVE TAX ABATEMENT FOR MEADOW VISTA ESTATES PLAT 7 – LOTS 1 THRU' 21

h) **Set Public Hearing for Monday June 2, 2014 at 6:30 pm to consider an ordinance amendment to Chapter 168.09 to consider adding Cinema / Movie Theatre as a principal permitted use**

i) **Set Public hearing for Monday, June 2, 2014, at 6:30pm to consider amendment to City of Altoona Code of Ordinances – Chapter 159 (Sign Code – C7 Commercial District**

Roll Call Vote:

Y Boka A Harmeyer Y Mertz 1 O'Connor 2 Sloan (4-0)

13. Beer & Liquor Permits

a) Johnny's Italian Steakhouse - Class C Liquor License (LC)(Commercial)

Chief Jody Matherly explained this is a new establishment.

Roll Call Vote:

Y Boka A Harmeyer Y Mertz 1 O'Connor 2 Sloan (4-0)

b) Fireside Grill, LLC - Music on the Plaza summer events; Class B Beer (BB) (includes wine coolers)

Chief Matherly stated there are no violations at this establishment.

Roll Call Vote:

Y Boka A Harmeyer Y Mertz 1 O'Connor 2 Sloan (4-0)

14. General Business Items/Reports and Updates

*Council Member O'Connor shared he is liaison to the Altoona Campus. Kudos to staff and a patron who saved the life of another patron who had a heart attack while at the facility this week. Another staff member also made sure different patron received treatment for dehydration.

*Council Member Sloan reported that CIRDWC had hired Black & Veach to perform the feasibility study.

*Mayor Conkling shared about the Des Moines Partnership annual Washington D.C. trip.

15. Adjourn at 6:46pm

Roll Call Vote:

Y Boka A Harmeyer Y Mertz 1 O'Connor 2 Sloan (4-0)

Attest to: _____
Amy S. Hill, Secretary

J.M. Skip Conkling, Mayor