

**CITY OF ALTOONA COUNCIL MEETING  
MONDAY, MAY 5, 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 – present

Mertz- present

O'Connor – absent

Sloan- present

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

**Audience Present:** Doug Teuber, Melissa Horton, Jason Bernstein, Greg Long, Bill Sowder, Terry Warren, Jared Murray, Brad Geater

**2. Perfecting and approval of the agenda**

Mayor Skip Conkling requested to approve agenda as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

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

**3. Proclamation for Arson Awareness Week**

Mayor Conkling proclaimed May 4-10, 2014, as Arson Awareness Week.

**4. Approval of April 21 and 28, 2014, Council Minutes**

Roll Call Vote:

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

**5. Citizens request to address council**

Bill Sowder, 1316 Rosa Dr., gave an update on the Adult Softball League and the conditions of the field.

**6. Resolution to consider a preliminary plat for Ironwood South Plat 3**

**Resolution 5-05-2014 #01 TO CONSIDER A PRELIMINARY PLAT FOR IRONWOOD SOUTH PLAT 3**

Mayor Conkling stated the applicant, Park Place Investments No II, LLC, is seeking preliminary plat approval for Ironwood South Plat 3. Jared Murray, Civil Design Advantage, 3400 Crossroads Dr., Grimes, explained the property is located west and south of Ironwood Park. The plat will create 88 single-family residential lots and is 35.62 acres in size. The project will construct an extension of 24<sup>th</sup> Street SW to the west and Sixth Avenue SW to the south. Council Member Kyle Mertz motioned subject to the developer meeting the parkland open space requirement and working with staff and the farmer to the west on an outlet for the storm water.

Roll Call Vote:

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

**7. Resolution to consider a site plan for Facebook Data Center Building #2**

**Resolution 5-05-2014 #02 TO CONSIDER A SITE PLAN FOR FACEBOOK DATA CENTER BUILDING #2**

Mayor Conkling explained Siculus, Inc. is seeking site plan approval for Facebook Building #2. Community Development Director John Shaw stated the proposal is for a 450,686 square foot facility, which is approximately 15,000 square feet smaller than the first building. The building itself is nearly

identical to the first building minus a smaller administrative area. Council Member Mertz motioned subject to deficiencies, which include a trail easement and storm water calculations.

Roll Call Vote:

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

**8. Resolution to consider a plat of survey for Parcel J of the NW ¼ of the SE ¼ of Section 26, Township 79 N, Range 23W, located at 6212 NE 27<sup>th</sup> Avenue (County)**

**Resolution 5-05-2014 #03 TO CONSIDER A PLAT OF SURVEY FOR PARCEL J OF THE NW ¼ OF THE SE ¼ OF SECTION 26, TOWNSHIP 79 N, RANGE 23W, LOCATED AT 6212 NE 27<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE (COUNTY)**

Mayor Conkling explained this is a plat of survey for property in unincorporated Polk County but within Altoona's growth area. He stated the property is located on the north side of NE 27<sup>th</sup> Avenue and west of NE 64<sup>th</sup> Street. They are proposing a plat of survey to split off the 2.46 acres around the home (Miskimins homestead), from the remaining 26.86 acres. The land use map shows this area as being designated as medium density residential.

Roll Call Vote:

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

**9. Resolution to consider a plat of survey for Parcel A of Outlot Y in Tuscany Plat 1**

**Resolution 5-05-2014 #04 TO CONSIDER A PLAT OF SURVEY FOR PARCEL A OF OUTLOT Y IN TUSCANY PLAT 1**

Mayor Conkling explained Hubbell Realty is requesting approval of a Plat of Survey for the first phase of Tuscany Townhomes. Brad Geater of McClure Engineering, 1360 NW 121<sup>st</sup> St., Clive, stated they need to transfer the land to the development company to show ownership for their financing. Once the utilities are constructed and accepted by the City, the final plat will include the property described in the Plat of Survey. Staff would recommend approval.

Roll Call Vote:

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

**10. Altoona Chamber Executive Director Melissa Horton to request permission to hold the Nippy Hippie event on November 8, 2014**

Altoona Chamber Director Melissa Horton requested approval to hold the Nippy Hippie event on November 8, 2014.

Roll Call Vote:

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

**11. Consider approval of Music on the Plaza sponsored by Fireside Grille**

Mayor Conkling explained the Fireside is seeking approval to hold Music on the Plaza this summer. Community Services Director Vern Willey stated they plan to hold the events on Friday nights between 6:00 and 9:00. The dates for the events are: May 23<sup>rd</sup>, June 13<sup>th</sup>, June 27<sup>th</sup>, July 25<sup>th</sup>, and August 1<sup>st</sup>.

Roll Call Vote:

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

**12. Consider approval of Grace Church use of Village Park for community picnic on Tuesday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> from 6-8pm**

Mayor Conkling stated Grace Church has requested the use of Village Park for a community picnic on Tuesday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> from 4:00 pm to 10:00 pm. Pastor Greg Long of Grace Church, 4200 E. 25<sup>th</sup> St., Des Moines, explained the event is open to the public. Activities include music, free food, soft drinks, inflatables and games for kids.

Roll Call Vote:

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

**13. Consider approval of Stinkfoot 5K and 10K on Sunday, October 5th**

Stinkfoot 5k promoter, Jason Bernstein, explained he is again seeking approval of the event for this year. The date is set for October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2014. This year they are adding a 10k race to the event that basically uses the same course twice. He also shared that all proceeds go to A-T Children's Project.

Roll Call Vote:

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

**14. Consider approval of Altoona Bike Fest and Tune Up Ride for Saturday, July 12th**

Director Willey shared the plans for the event.

Roll Call Vote:

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

**15. Consent Agenda**

a) **Allow Bills**

b) **Capital Projects**

**B1) Pay App #7 – Altoona Ambrose Pump Station Improvements – J&K Contracting, LLC. - \$115,472.50**

c) **Resolution approving writing off of rescue fees for bad debt accounts – Medicare – Medicaid – CMS collections fees from 1-1-2014 thru' 3-31-2014**

**Resolution 5-05-2014 #05 APPROVING WRITING OFF OF RESCUE FEES FOR BAD DEBT ACCOUNTS – MEDICARE – MEDICAID – CMS COLLECTIONS FEES FROM 1-1-2014 THRU' 3-31-2014**

d) **Set Public hearing for Monday, May 19 at 6:30 pm to consider a development plan amendment for Eagle Creek Estates**

e) **Set Public hearing for Monday, May 19 at 6:30 pm 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**

f) **Set Public hearing for Monday, May 19 at 6:30pm to consider City of Altoona Fiscal Year 2013/2014 Budget Amendment**

g) **Consider approval of sports league lease with Altoona Adult Softball League**

Roll Call Vote:

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

**16. Beer & Liquor Permits**

a) **Walgreens - Class B Wine Permit and Class C Beer Permit**

Chief Matherly stated there are no violations at this establishment.

Roll Call Vote:

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

b) **Centinela Mexican Restaurant - Class C Liquor License (LC) (Commercial)**

Chief Matherly stated there are no violations at this establishment.

Roll Call Vote:

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

c) **Pizza Hut #4302 - Class B Beer (BB) includes wine coolers (Adventureland Dr.)**

Chief Matherly stated there are no violations at this establishment.

Roll Call Vote:

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

d) **Altoona Adult Softball Association Class B Beer (BB) (includes wine coolers)**

Chief Matherly stated there are no violations at this establishment.

Roll Call Vote:

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

**e) Brew House No. #25 - Class C Liquor License (LC)(Commerical)**

Chief Matherly stated there are no violations at this establishment.

Roll Call Vote:

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

**17. General Business Items/Reports and Updates**

\*Mayor Conkling shared that he, some council members and the City Administrator would be traveling to Washington, D.C. this week with the Greater Des Moines Partnership.

**18. Closed Session – Pending litigation Chapter 21.5(c)**

Roll Call Vote (To enter closed session):

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

Roll Call Vote (To return to regular session):

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

**19. Adjourn at 7:35pm**

Roll Call Vote:

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

Attest to: \_\_\_\_\_  
Amy S. Hill, Secretary

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J.M. Skip Conkling, Mayor