

CITY OF ALTOONA COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, MARCH 1, 2010, 6:30 P.M.
AT THE ALTOONA CITY HALL

1. CALL TO ORDER

Roll Call at 6:30 p.m.

Mayor Burget- present Mertz- present Nolin- present
Riding- present Sloan- present Warren- present

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

Audience Present: Gary McKibben, Jason Bernstein, Krista Kielsmeier, Scott Henry, Dennis Keller, Scott Temple, Tim Forbes

2. Perfecting and approval of the agenda

Mayor Tim Burget requested to approve the agenda as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

 Y Mertz Y Sloan 2 Riding 1 Warren Y Nolin (5-0)

3. Approval of February 15 and 22, 2010, Council Minutes

Mayor Burget requested a motion to approve minutes as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

 2 Mertz Y Sloan Y Riding Y Warren 1 Nolin (5-0)

4. Citizens request to address council

No one came forward to speak.

5. Public Hearing to discuss City of Altoona's FY 2010/2011 Budget

Mayor Burget explained this public hearing was to discuss the City of Altoona's FY 2010/2011 budget. City Clerk Randy Pierce presented an overview of revenue and expenses for the FY 2010/2011.

Open Hearing at 6:34 pm

Public Comment: No one came forward to speak.

Close Hearing at 6:35 pm

6. Resolution adopting the City of Altoona's annual budget for the year ending June 30, 2011
Resolution #3-1-2010 #01 RESOLUTION ADOPTING OF ALTOONA'S ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2011

Mayor Burget stated this resolution will adopt the annual budget for the year ending June 30, 2011, for the City of Altoona.

Roll Call Vote:

 Y Mertz 2 Sloan N Riding Y Warren 1 Nolin (4-1)

7. Consider approval of Agreement with Fire Union

Mayor Burget explained this is the proposed agreement with the Fire Union. City Administrator Jeff Mark explained this agreement was for one year. The fire union agreed to no step or COLA increase for the FY 2010/2011 with the understanding that if any other city employee receives an increase then the fire union employees are entitled to the same increase.

Roll Call Vote:

 2 Mertz Y Sloan N Riding Y Warren 1 Nolin (4-1)

8. **Resolution to accept petition, contract and waiver for Adventureland Drive NE and 11th Avenue NE Special Assessment Project and levying special assessments**
Resolution #3-1-2010 #02 RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT PETITION, CONTRACT AND WAIVER FOR ADVENTURELAND DRIVE NE AND 11TH AVENUE NE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT PROJECT AND LEVYING SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS
Mayor Burget stated this is a resolution dealing with a special assessment project. The outstanding balance for the RISE project is estimated to be approximately \$600,000. City Administrator Mark explained the Partnership has agreed to cover the outstanding balance with a cash payment and the acceptance of a special assessment for the cost of the project in the amount of \$400,000. The special assessment schedule will be applied to the properties located in the NE Industrial Park and will be paid over a ten-year period.
Roll Call Vote:
Y Mertz 2 Sloan Y Riding 1 Warren Y Nolin (5-0)
9. **Consideration of request from the Altoona Triathlon club to hold a 5K road race on Sunday, October 3, 2010**
Mayor Burget explained the Triathlon Club would like to hold their second annual 5K running race on October 3, 2010. All of the details will be the same as last year. Jason Bernstein, 301 11th St. NW, explained the event had 120 participants last year and raised \$6000. The club donated \$2000 to SEP schools. This year the event will also include a cycling event to follow the race.
Roll Call Vote:
2 Mertz Y Sloan Y Riding 1 Warren Y Nolin (5-0)
10. **Resolution to approve a preliminary plat for Ironwood Plat 5**
Resolution #3-1-2010 #03 RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A PRELIMINARY PLAT FOR IRONWOOD PLAT 5
Mayor Burget stated the new owner, Vista Real Estate, is proposing to construct the last single-family plat in Ironwood, Plat 5. Scott Temple, 2400 86th St. Suite , Urbandale, Iowa, representing Vista Real Estate explained that all the homes will be custom built. There will be 39 single-family residential lots. The plat is zoned R-5 (PUD) and in conformance with the Ironwood development plan. Tim Forbes, 702 Stonegate Court, Altoona, Iowa, is a resident in the housing developing which is adjacent to this plat. Mr. Forbes is concerned about the drainage and whether it will be addressed with the new development. Community Development Director John Shaw explained that Public Works Superintendent Aaron Putnam is aware of the drainage issue.
Roll Call Vote:
2 Mertz Y Sloan 1 Riding Y Warren Y Nolin (5-0)
11. **Resolution to approve a final plat for Huff Subdivision (County Plat)**
Resolution #3-1-2010 #04 RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A FINAL PLAT FOR HUFF SUBDIVISION (COUNTY PLAT)
Mayor Burget explained this plat is located on the east side of NE Casebeer Drive, between portions of the corporate limits of Altoona, but within our statutory review area. The owner of the property is interested in subdividing for the purpose of selling the north lot, Lot 2. The owner constructed a bridge over the creek and created a pond on Lot 2. They are connected to Altoona water and also have sanitary sewer service. For that, the owner will sign a voluntary annexation agreement.
Roll Call Vote:
Y Mertz 2 Sloan 1 Riding Y Warren Y Nolin (5-0)

12. Consider request from claimants, to cover automobile insurance deductible in regards to accident occurring on 2/17/2010

Mayor Burget explained a claimant involved in an accident which occurred on 2/17/2010, has requested that the City of Altoona provide coverage for their deductible as a result of damages to their vehicle. City Administrator Mark explained our liability company denied the claims based on the weather conditions and ability to take a different route. Council Member Michelle Sloan motioned approval to cover deductibles for the two automobiles that had damage due to the first vehicle stopping in the road subject to the City's liability company's approval and the owners signing a hold harmless agreement.

Roll Call Vote:

Y Mertz 1 Sloan Y Riding N Warren 2 Nolin (4-1)

13. Consent Agenda

a) **Allow Bills**

b) **Capital Project**

B1) Pay App #28 – NW Commercial Area – Phase 1 Division 1 Improvements – McAninch Corporation - \$58,683.02

c) **Resolution approving a transfer from the General Fund & DEA fund, to the Equipment Replacement Fund**

Resolution #3-1-2010 #05 RESOLUTION APPROVING A TRANSFER FROM THE GENERAL FUND & DEA FUND, TO THE EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT FUND

d) **Resolution approving a transfer from the TIF Projects Fund to the General Fund**

Resolution #3-1-2010 #06 RESOLUTION APPROVING A TRANSFER FROM THE TIF PROJECTS FUND TO THE GENERAL FUND

e) **Resolution approving a transfer from the CIP 307 fund to the Bass Reserve Fund 145**

Resolution #3-1-2010 #07 RESOLUTION APPROVING A TRANSFER FROM THE CIP 307 FUND TO THE BASS RESERVE FUND 145

f) **Resolution approving a transfer from the DEA Fund to the General Fund**

Resolution #3-1-2010 #08 RESOLUTION APPROVING A TRANSFER FROM THE DEA FUND TO THE GENERAL FUND

g) **Resolution approving a transfer from the TIF Fund to the Water Fund**

Resolution #3-1-2010 #09 RESOLUTION APPROVING A TRANSFER FROM THE TIF FUND TO THE WATER FUND

h) **Set Public Hearing for March 15, 2010 at 6:30 pm to consider a development plan amendment for a part of Andrew's Acres III to be known as "Altoona Commons" (northerly extension of 5th Avenue NW).**

Roll Call Vote:

Y Mertz Y Sloan 1 Riding 2 Warren Y Nolin (5-0)

14. Beer & Liquor Permits

a) **Fireside Grille – Class C (Commercial)**

Police Chief Gray stated that there were no violations at this establishment.

Roll Call Vote:

Y Mertz 2 Sloan 1 Riding Y Warren Y Nolin (5-0)

b) **Claxon's Smokehouse – Class C (Commercial)**

Police Chief Gray stated that there were no violations at this establishment.

Roll Call Vote:

2 Mertz 1 Sloan Y Riding Y Warren Y Nolin (5-0)

15. General Business Items/Reports and Updates

No report from council members, mayor or city staff.

16. Adjourn

Roll Call Vote at 6:54 pm:

Y Mertz 2 Sloan Y Riding 1 Warren Y Nolin (5-0)

Attest to:

Amy S. Hill, Secretary

Timothy Burget, Mayor