

**CITY OF ALTOONA COUNCIL MEETING  
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2011, 6:30 P.M.  
AT THE ALTOONA CITY HALL**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Roll Call at 6:30 p.m.

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

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

**Audience Present:** Brent Culp, James Sharp, Rhonda O'Connor, Jerry Oliver, Chris McDowell, Chris Brooks, Ashley McDowell, Dean O'Connor

**\*\*Jim Sharp, representative from MidAmerican, presented Mayor Burget with a check for \$5000 from the Trees Please! Grant program.**

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

Mayor Tim Burget requested to remove item 12D from the agenda.

Roll Call Vote:

2 Mertz Y Sloan A Riding 1 Warren Y Nolin (4-0)

**3. Approval of January 17 and 24, 2011 Council Minutes**

Mayor Burget requested motion to approve minutes as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Y Mertz 2 Sloan A Riding Y Warren 1 Nolin (4-0)

**4. Citizens request to address council**

No one came forward to speak.

**5. Public hearing to consider 6<sup>th</sup> amendment to MPO 28E agreement**

Mayor Burget stated this is an amendment to Article II allows the MPO to foster collaboration between member governments, other agencies including quasi-public and private entities. City Administrator Jeff Mark explained this authority includes the power to enter into separate 28E agreements. Article IV allows for the amendment to the MPO budget and the corresponding special assessment schedule. Altoona currently pays \$7,980 per year based on \$.60/13,301. The new assessment will be \$1.13/14,397 est. for a total of \$16,269. The assessment will decrease to \$1.00 per capita starting with the FY 2012/13 budget.

Open Hearing at 6:33 pm

Public Comment: No one came forward to speak.

Closed Hearing at 6:34 pm

**6. Resolution to approve 6<sup>th</sup> amendment to MPO 28E agreement**

**Resolution #2-7-2011 #01 TO APPROVE 6<sup>TH</sup> AMENDMENT TO MPO 28E AGREEMENT**

Roll Call Vote:

Y Mertz 2 Sloan A Riding Y Warren 1 Nolin (4-0)

7. **Consider Tom Grogan's request to reduce his water bill**  
Tom Grogan, 1301 Lakeshore Drive, explained his irrigation meter quit reading in May of 2009. Mr. Grogan requested relief on his water bill. Council informed him that he could work out a 6 month payment plan with staff.
  
8. **Ordinance addition to consider adding ordinance Chapter 101 Footing Drain Disconnection Program**  
**ORDINANCE NO. 1-17-2011 #2 (331) AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ALTOONA, IOWA, 2004, BY ADDING ORDINANCE CHAPTER 101 FOOTING DRAIN DISCONNECTION PROGRAM**  
Mayor Burget explained the purpose of this ordinance is to eliminate footing drain connections to the sanitary sewer system. City Administrator Mark stated the ordinance establishes a timeline for disconnection and a monthly surcharge for failure to comply. Notification of the need to disconnect will be sent by certified mail or other method approved by the City Council. Notification will be sent to those properties that have been deemed by the Community Services Director Vern Willey, to have storm sewer availability for their property.  
Roll Call Vote (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading):  
2 Mertz Y Sloan A Riding 1 Warren Y Nolin (4-0)
  
9. **Resolution to approve a site plan for Adventureland Food and Beverage Warehouse and architectural design waiver**  
**Resolution #2-7-2011 #02 TO APPROVE A SITE PLAN FOR ADVENTURELAND FOOD AND BEVERAGE WAREHOUSE AND ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN WAIVER**  
Mayor Burget stated Adventureland is proposing to construct a 1,823 square foot food and beverage warehouse. Community Development Director John Shaw explained the exterior material for the building is steel and does not meet the architectural design standards for the zoning district. Approval of the site plan will depend on the council granting a waiver of the architectural design standards. Council Member Kyle Mertz motioned approval with waiver granted for architectural design standards. Council Member Michelle Sloan seconded the motion.  
Roll Call Vote:  
1 Mertz 2 Sloan A Riding Y Warren Y Nolin (4-0)
  
10. **MWA representative Rhonda O'Connor to present information on the Compost It! Program**  
Rhonda O'Connor from MWA is promoting a premium weekly cart pick-up for the Compost It Program. Ms. O'Connor presented how the program works and discussed options that are available.
  
11. **Resolution to approve the SEP Youth Tackle Football League request for funding for a scoreboard**  
**Resolution #2-7-2011 #03 TO APPROVE THE SEP YOUTH TACKLE FOOTBALL LEAGUE REQUEST FOR FUNDING FOR A SCOREBOARD**  
Mayor Burget explained the City of Altoona has received a request from the SEP Youth Tackle Football League for the funding of a scoreboard. City Administrator Mark stated the request for funds is allowable under the city's League Capital Improvement Policy. The policy allows for a 50% match for capital improvements not to exceed \$25,000 over 5-fiscal years. The estimated cost of the scoreboard will not exceed \$15,000. The city's contribution would not exceed \$7,500.  
Roll Call Vote:  
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**12. Consent Agenda**

a) **Allow Bills**

b) **Capital Projects**

**B1) Pay App #7 – Grading and Iowa Cold Storage Rail Spur Construction – Midwest 1, LLC. - \$7,568.34**

c) **Resolution approving writing off of rescue fees for bad debt accounts – medicare-medicaid – CMS collection fees from 10-1-2010 to 12-31-2010**

**Resolution #2-7-2011 #04 TO APPROVING WRITING OFF OF RESCUE FEES FOR BAD DEBT ACCOUNTS – MEDICARE-MEDICAID – CMS COLLECTION FEES FROM 10-1-2010 TO 12-31-2010**

d) **REMOVED FROM AGENDA**

Roll Call Vote:

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**13. Beer & Liquor Permits**

a) **Anthony's Lounge – Class C Liquor (LC) Commercial**

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

Roll Call Vote:

Y Mertz Y Sloan A Riding 1 Warren 2 Nolin (4-0)

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

\*Mayor Burget shared that Council Member Sloan has accepted to be the Council Liason on the RAGBRAI Advisory Board.

\*Council Member Sloan reminded audience members, staff, council members and mayor about the upcoming Knowledge Bowl taking place on Saturday at Toad Valley. Doors open at 6:30 and competition begins at 7:00pm.

\*Council Member Stacey Warren shared the BRAVO gala had the largest turnout this year.

\*Council Member Gerald Nolin enjoyed the Chamber's Annual Dinner last Saturday evening.

**15. Adjourn**

Roll Call Vote at 6:56 pm:

Y Mertz 2 Sloan A Riding 1 Warren Y Nolin (4-0)

Attest to:

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Amy S. Hill, Secretary

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Timothy Burget, Mayor