

**CITY OF ALTOONA COUNCIL MEETING**  
**MONDAY, MARCH 7, 2011, 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, Jerry Whetstone, John Gray, Vern Willey, John Shaw, Karen Oppelt, Amy Hill, City Attorney Bob Laden

**Audience Present:** Brent Culp, Eric Cannon, Nate Ringgenberg, Jordan Ubaldo, Anthothly Schneider, Maia Hove, Alicia Hernandez, Juan Hernandez, Cody Borst, Doris Warren, Zach Borst, Connor Bigg, Jen Book, Curtis Quick, Tom Hadden, Jeremy Olsen, Kayla Sunvold, Brittani Johnson, Chris Brooks, Sam Wilkens, Emily Rocha, Heather Essey, Nate Cameron, Kayla Ladd, Annie Penquite, Dana Watson, Danielle Vastine, Chris McDowell, Ashley McDowell, Gerardo Lafeble, Allie Davis, Delaney Sample, Cassidy Simoni, Mark Lee, Dan Novelli, Eric Webster, Sue Sunvold

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

Mayor Tim Burget requested the agenda be amended to add item #9b.

Roll Call Vote:

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

**3. Approval of February 21, 2011 Council Minutes**

Mayor Burget requested motion to approve minutes as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

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

**4. Citizens request to address council**

No one came forward to speak.

**5. Public hearing to consider approval of resolution for City of Altoona FY 2011/2012 Budget**

Mayor Burget introduced City Clerk Randy Pierce to give an overview of the proposed budget.

City Clerk Pierce explained the tax levy is staying the same as the current rate, which is \$9.14 per \$1,000 of taxable valuation.

Open Hearing at 6:36 pm

Public Comment: No one came forward to speak.

Closed Hearing at 6:37 pm

**6. Resolution adopting the City of Altoona's annual budget for the year ending June 30, 2012 (Tax Rate 9.14369)**

**Resolution #3-7-2011 #01 ADOPTING THE CITY OF ALTOONA'S ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2012 (TAX RATE 9.14369)**

Roll Call Vote:

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

7. **Public hearing to consider sewer Right-of-way (ROW) acquisition for Adventureland Drive NW sanitary sewer project**  
Mayor Burget explained this is a public hearing to authorize the City of Altoona to proceed with the process of acquisition of ROW for the Adventureland Drive NW sanitary sewer project.  
Open Hearing at 6:38 pm  
Public Comment: No one came forward to speak.  
Closed Hearing at 6:39 pm
8. **Resolution approving and authorizing the acquisition of property and property interests for the Adventureland Drive Sanitary Sewer Relief Project**  
**Resolution #3-7-2011 #02 TO APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY AND PROPERTY INTERESTS FOR THE ADVENTURELAND DRIVE SANITARY SEWER RELIEF PROJECT**  
Roll Call Vote:  
2 Mertz Y Sloan Y Riding 1 Warren Y Nolin (5-0)
9. a. **Resolution approval of Solid Waste Collection Services Agreement for the City of Altoona**  
**Resolution #3-7-2011 #03 TO APPROVE SOLID WASTE COLLECTION SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR THE CITY OF ALTOONA**  
Mayor Burget explained the resolution approving the agreement with the Metro Waste Authority (MWA) to provide solid waste collection services for the City of Altoona. City Administrator Jeff Mark explained the City of Altoona authorizes the MWA will be responsibility for solid waste collection. The MWA requested bids from the all of the metro area waste haulers. These bids were reviewed by a committee comprised of MWA staff, Councilmember Warren, Vern Willey, Aaron Putnam and Randy Pierce. A total of four bids were received with Waste Management being the lowest responsible bid. Executive Director of MWA, Tom Hadden, spoke about the process.  
Roll Call Vote:  
Y Mertz 2 Sloan Y Riding 1 Warren Y Nolin (5-0)
- b. **Extension of agreement for Waste Collection and Disposal Services between the City of Altoona and Waste Management**  
Roll Call Vote:  
Y Mertz 1 Sloan Y Riding Y Warren 2 Nolin (5-0)
10. **Doris Warren to address council in regards to reducing utility bill**  
Doris Warren is the daughter of Gladys Gulling who lives at 36 N. Hawthorn Drive. Ms. Gulling received a high water bill and contacted the city asking for a reduction of the bill. Council Member Kyle Mertz explained that in the past when water has gone through meter that council has instructed the citizen to work with the City Clerk to set up a payment arrangement.
11. **Consider request from Hy-Vee to hold an event “Music on the Plaza” in the Civic Plaza on Friday evenings, May 20-June 24, 2011 from 5-8:30 pm**  
Hy-Vee Store Manager, Jen Book, requested to hold the “Music on the Plaza” event again this year. They are proposing to hold the events on Friday evenings, from 5 to 8:30 pm, starting on May 20<sup>th</sup> through June 24<sup>th</sup>.  
Roll Call Vote:  
1 Mertz Y Sloan Y Riding 2 Warren Y Nolin (5-0)

12. **Resolution to approve a preliminary plat for Clay Estates Plat 2**  
**Resolution #3-7-2011 #04 TO APPROVE A PRELIMINARY PLAT FOR CLAY ESTATES PLAT 2**  
Mayor Burget explained this plat was previously approved by the Planning and Zoning Commission approximately three years ago, but was never constructed. Engineer Eric Cannon of Snyder & Associates, 2727 Snyder Blvd., Ankeny, Iowa, explained Clay Estates Plat 2 is located north of Clay Estates Plat 1, just west of Clay Elementary School. The property owner, Vista Real Estate, is platting the property into 14 single-family lots and two outlots. The two outlots are future residential plats and the street connection will be done at that time.  
Roll Call Vote:  
2 Mertz Y Sloan 1 Riding Y Warren Y Nolin (5-0)
13. **Resolution to approve a site plan parking lot addition at 901 8<sup>th</sup> Street SW (Warren office building)**  
**Resolution #3-7-2011 #05 TO APPROVE A SITE PLAN PARKING LOT ADDITION AT 901 8<sup>TH</sup> STREET SW (WARREN OFFICE BUILDING)**  
Mayor Burget explained Warren Family Farms is proposing to expand the parking lot located on the north side of their office building at 901 8<sup>th</sup> Street SW. Engineer Curtis Quick of ABACI Consulting, Inc., 1 Circle Dr., Grimes, Iowa explained the expansion will result in an additional 12 parking stalls.  
Roll Call Vote:  
Y Mertz Y Sloan Y Riding 1 Warren 2 Nolin (5-0)
14. **Resolution to approve a site plan for Meadow Vista Condominiums**  
**Resolution #3-7-2011 #06 TO APPROVE A SITE PLAN FOR MEADOW VISTA CONDOMINIUMS**  
Mayor Burget explained the Meadow Vista Condominiums are located in the Meadow Vista development, south of Seneca Court, directly west of the 13<sup>th</sup> Street SW and 28<sup>th</sup> Avenue SW intersection. Engineer Mark Lee of Lee Engineers & Surveyors, 8003 Douglas Ave., Urbandale, Iowa, explained the property is a 7.41 acre piece and the site plan shows 34 bi-attached buildings comprising 68 total units for a density of 9.17 units per acre. The project owners/developers are Kading Properties.  
Roll Call Vote:  
2 Mertz Y Sloan 1 Riding Y Warren Y Nolin (5-0)
15. **Consider approval of Collective Bargaining Agreement between City of Altoona Fire Department and Altoona Professional Fire Fighters Local 4743**  
Mayor Burget explained he proposed union contract is a two-year deal for FY 2011/2012 and FY 2012/2013. City Administrator Mark explained the contract does provide for step increases and a 2% COLA on July 1<sup>st</sup> and January 1<sup>st</sup>, for each of the fiscal years. An additional floating holiday is provided which mirrors the police union contract.  
Roll Call Vote:  
1 Mertz 2 Sloan N Riding Y Warren Y Nolin (4-1)

**16. Consent Agenda**

- a) **Allow Bills**
- b) **Consider approval of Altoona Baseball League lease with City of Altoona**
- c) **Consider approval of Altoona Youth Soccer Association with City of Altoona**
- d) **Set a public hearing for Monday, March 21, 2011, at 6:30pm to consider adding property maintenance ordinance**
- e) **Set a public hearing for Monday, March 21, 2011, at 6:30pm to consider amending Chapter 175.12 (Construction Drawings, As-built/Records Drawings) and 175.09 Subdivision Plat Fees**
- f) **Authorize Mayor to sign letter of support for Rock Creek Housing project**

Roll Call Vote:

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

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

\*Mayor Burget shared that four of the City's firefighters/paramedic specialist received a "Heroes of the Heartland" reward for saving the lives of 11 individuals during the flash floods which occurred on August 11, 2011.

**18. Adjourn**

Roll Call Vote at 7:06 pm:

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

Attest to:

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Amy S. Hill, Secretary

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Timothy Burget, Mayor