

**CITY OF ALTOONA COUNCIL MEETING  
MONDAY, APRIL 18, 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, Jeff Harden, Karen Oppelt, Amy Hill, City Attorney Bob Laden

**Audience Present:** Brent Culp, Taylor Anderson, Robert Heathcote, Michael Raals, Lali Yang, Cole Warner, Jenna Blanchard, Connor Miller, Cam Johnson, Bryce Fisher, Cody Brown, Brett Corrigan Jr., Theresa Corrigan, Derek LaQuatca, Nick Goodman, Brittany Johnson, Antiawwna Rushing, Jacob Oost, Jason Lucy, Evan German, Matt Curry, Jacob Sunderland, Eric Roberts, Austin Sink, Gaige Thompson, Kari Aalbers, Jeff Kirby, Tyler Kirby, Joe Miller

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

Mayor Tim Burget requested to approve the agenda as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

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

**3. National Historic Preservation Month Proclamation**

Mayor Burget stated May will be National Historic Preservation Month in Altoona, Iowa.

**4. Approval of April 4, 2011 Council Minutes**

Mayor Burget requested motion to approve minutes as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

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

**5. Citizens request to address council**

No one came forward to speak.

**6. Make-a-wish to present City of Altoona appreciation plaque**

Lynn Milligan, representing the Make-a-Wish Foundation, presented the city with a plaque of appreciation for 15 years of our support to Jolly Holiday Lights.

**7. Tina Hadden to request council approval for the Fall 2011 Altoona Leadership Program**

Tina Hadden, 1018 Brookview Drive, Altoona, presented a history of the past three programs and requested any recommendations for changes for this fall and possible candidates to attend the class.

**8. Resolution to approve a site plan for Adventureland's Adventure Bay Waterpark Phase 3  
Resolution #4-18-2011 #01 TO APPROVE A SITE PLAN FOR ADVENTURELAND'S  
ADVENTURE BAY WATERPARK PHASE 3**

Mayor Burget explained Adventureland is requesting a site plan approval for the Adventure Bay Waterpark Phase 3. Ed Skinner, Skinner Law Office located at 106 Adventureland Drive NW, Altoona, represented the interests of Adventureland Parks of America. He explained the new features will be located south of the existing play features. In addition to the water features, they are constructing two mechanical buildings, a retail/office building, a grill building and a restroom facility. All of the buildings will require a waiver of the architectural design standards. The new

buildings will have the same theme as the existing buildings. The new addition is being constructed on ground that Adventureland purchased and rezoned in September of 2010. The rezoning was approved subject to additional noise buffering being added to the site plan and restricted access from 31<sup>st</sup> Avenue. Neighbors, Kari Aalbers, 446 31<sup>st</sup> Avenue SW, Altoona, and Phil Rees, representing his father at 431 31<sup>st</sup> St. shared concerns with the access point, the height of fence, types of trees and storm water detention. Council Member Kyle Mertz motioned approval subject to: a six-foot fence on top of a 1 foot berm on the south and southeast sides of the project, relocating the 34<sup>th</sup> Avenue entrance gate 50 feet off the property line and limited to mowing equipment, adjusting the landscaping trees to meet staff and neighbors compromise, and waiving the architectural design standards. Council Member Gerald Nolin seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

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

**9. Consider approval of management agreement for the Altoona Aquatics Park between the City of Altoona and Greater Altoona Campus**

Mayor Burget explained this agreement allows the Greater Altoona Campus to manage the Altoona Aquatic Park for the upcoming summer season.

Roll Call Vote:

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

**10. Consider Fireside Grill's Bike Night (Monday, May 2 thru' Sept. 5, 2011) and Colfax-Mingo Class Reunion (Friday, May 27 from 6:00 to 9:00 pm) requests**

Mayor Burget explained Fireside Grille is requesting to hold Bike Night on Monday evenings from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. from May through Labor Day. They are also requesting the use of the parking lot east of the Fireside as an extended patio for a class reunion party from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Friday May 27<sup>th</sup>.

Roll Call Vote:

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

**11. Consent Agenda**

a) **Allow Bills**

b) **Resolution approving writing off of rescue fees for Bad Debt Accounts – Medicare-Medicaid-CMS collection fees from 1-1-2011 thru' 3-31-2011**  
**Resolution #4-18-2011 #02 APPROVING WRITING OFF OF RESCUE FEES FOR BAD DEBT ACCOUNTS – MEDICARE-MEDICAID-CMS COLLECTION FEES FROM 1-1-2011 THRU' 3-31-2011**

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

**Resolution #4-18-2011 #03 APPROVING REQUESTS FOR TAX ABATEMENT**

d) **Set a public hearing for Monday, May 2, 2011, at 6:30pm to consider plans, specifications and form of contract for Adventureland Drive Sanitary Sewer Line**

Roll Call Vote:

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

**12. Beer & Liquor Permits**

a) **Casey's General Store #2916 – NEW (170 36<sup>th</sup> Ave SW)**  
**Class B Native Wine**  
**Class C Beer**  
**Cigarette Permit**

Police Chief Gray stated that this establishment is new.

Roll Call Vote:

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

- b) **Hy-Vee Food Store - Class E Liquor (LE)  
Class B Wine (Carryout)  
Class C Beer (Carryout)**

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

Roll Call Vote:

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

- c) **Yanni's Grill & Vineyard- NEW (3160 8<sup>th</sup> St SW, Suite G)  
Class C Liquor License**

Police Chief Gray stated that this establishment is new.

Roll Call Vote:

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

- d) **Fireside Grille LLC - Outdoor Service Privilege  
(5/2/11 – 9/5/11)**

Police Chief Gray stated that there were no violations for this event.

Roll Call Vote:

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

- e) **Bianchi Boys Pizza & Pasta - Class B Beer (BB) (includes wine coolers)**

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

Roll Call Vote:

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

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

\*Council Member Joe Riding mentioned that Polk County tax evaluation fell over most of the county.

\*Mayor Burget shared that the Iowa Senate had passed a corporate tax change that would decrease taxes on commercial properties over a longer period of time versus the Iowa House's bill. He also mentioned the weather was terrible for the Arbor Day Celebration on April 16<sup>th</sup> but the Enabling Gardens are looking beautiful already.

\*Community Services Director Vern Willey reminded mayor, council, staff and attendees that the RAGBRAI – Altoona Vendor Fair would be taking place on Tuesday, April 19<sup>th</sup>.

**14. Adjourn**

Roll Call Vote at 7:28 pm:

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

Attest to:

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Amy S. Hill, Secretary

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Timothy Burget, Mayor