

CITY OF ALTOONA COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2019, 6:30 P.M.
AT THE ALTOONA CITY HALL

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Roll Call at 6:30 pm

Mayor O'Connor- present

Duer - present

Mertz- present

Boka - present

Leighter - present

Willey - present

City Officials Present: Jeff Mark, Randy Pierce, Greg Stallman, John Shaw, John Dostart, Scott Atzen, Jim Utter, Amy Hill, Jeff Bierl, City Attorney Bob Laden

Audience Present: Bob Hall, Melissa Horton, Matt Kray, Larry O'Connor, Ruth O'Connor, Bruce Mason, Leann Riding, Joe Riding, Elizabeth Burns-Thompson, Katie Lord, Alex Payne, Herb Phillips, Mark Holiday, Jeanne Mark, Sydney Mark, Makenna Mark, Allison Mark, Jamie Buckler, Chad Quick, Katie Gieszler

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

Mayor Dean O'Connor requested to approve the agenda as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Y Boka Y Duer Y Leighter 1 Mertz 2 Willey (5-0)

3. **Consider approval of December 2 and 4, 2019 Council Minutes**

Roll Call Vote:

1 Boka Y Duer 2 Leighter Y Mertz Y Willey (5-0)

4. **Presentation of recognition of service to Council Member Scott Leighter**

Mayor O'Connor presented a plaque to Council Member Leighter to his service to the City of Altoona.

5. **Citizens request to address council**

No one came forward to speak.

6. **MidAmerican Energy to present a donation to the Altoona Firefighters Association**

Katie Gieszler of MidAmerican Energy, 10510 Douglas Ave. Urbandale, presented the Altoona Firefighters' Association with a donation.

7. **Venbury Neighborhood welcoming to City Hall and Police Station**

Herb Phillips, 837 Elmwood Ct., and Mark Holiday, 832 Lindsay Ct. SW, welcomed the Mayor, City Council, Police Department and City Hall staff to the Venbury neighborhood.

8. **Public hearing to consider changes to the designated truck routes in Chapter 66**

City Engineer John Dostart explained changes to Chapter 66 that list the city's truck routes.

Public hearing opened: 6:38pm

Comments: No one came forward to speak.

Public hearing closed: 6:38pm

9. **Ordinance #12-16-2016 #01 (530) to consider amending Chapter 66 (Load and Weight Restrictions) 1st Reading**

Council Members Scott Duer, Vern Willey and Kyle Mertz discussed the truck routes with City Engineer Dostart. Council agreed to discuss the routes more at the work session on December 30 before the 2nd reading.

Roll Call Vote (1st Reading):

Y Boka N Duer Y Leighter 2 Mertz 1 Willey (4-1)

10. **Altoona Chamber of Commerce to present annual update**

Executive Director Melissa Horton of the Altoona Chamber of Commerce, 119 2nd St. SE, Suite A, Altoona, presented the council with an annual update.

11. Consider Intergovernmental Transfer of Public funds Agreement between the Iowa Department of Human Services and Altoona Fire Department

City Administrator Jeff Mark explained this is an agreement between the Iowa Department of Human Services (IDHS) and the Altoona Fire Department (AFD) aka the ground emergency medical transportation (GEMT) provider. This is the first step in the process to qualify for a program that will allow the City to collect the uncompensated Medicaid cost associated with ambulance services.

Roll Call Vote:

2 Boka Y Duer Y Leighter 1 Mertz Y Willey (5-0)

12. Consider Consent Agenda

a) Allow Bills

b) Capital Projects

B1) Change Order #1 - Des Moines Asphalt & Paving - 8th St. SW Overlay Project - (\$95,351.52)

B2) Pay App #2 - Des Moines Asphalt & Paving - 8th St. SW Overlay Project - \$0.00

c) Consider approval of professional services agreement with Snyder & Associates for 8th St. Reconstruction Project

e) Resolution#12-16-2016 #01 APPOINTING THE CITY OF ALTOONA'S REPRESENTATION TO THE MPO (MPO POLICY - PRIMARY: KYLE MERTZ; ALTERNATE: VERN WILLEY; MPO TECHNICAL - PRIMARY: JOHN DOSTART, JOHN SHAW; ALTERNATE: SCOTT ATZEN, CHAD QUICK)

f) Resolution #12-16-2019 #02 TO DESIGNATE REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE CITY OF ALTOONA, IOWA TO POLK COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMISSION (PRIMARY: JEREMY BOKA; ALTERNATES: GREG STALLMAN, JARED OGBOURNE)

g) Consider certificate of completion for 8th St. SW Overlay Project

h) Set public hearing for Monday, January 6, 2020 at 6:30 pm to consider ordinance amendments to adopt the 2018 International Codes and the 2017 NFPA National Electrical Code for Chapter 155 - Building Code, Chapter 156 - Mechanical and Gas Code, Chapter 157 - Plumbing Code, Chapter 158 - Electrical Code, Chapter 161 - Fire Code, and Chapter 162 - Housing Code

i) Set public hearing for Monday, January 6, 2020 at 6:30 pm to consider ordinance amendments to the City of Altoona Code of Ordinances Chapter 92.02 (Water Service Charges - Rates)

j) Set public hearing for Monday, January 6, 2020 at 6:30 pm to consider ordinance amendments to the City of Altoona Code of Ordinances Chapter 98.10 (Wastewater Service Charges - Rates)

k) Set public hearing for Monday, January 6, 2020 at 6:30 pm to consider ordinance amendments to remove Chapter 92.03 from the City of Altoona Code of Ordinances (Senior Citizen Exception)

Roll Call Vote:

2 Boka Y Duer Y Leighter 1 Mertz Y Willey (5-0)

10. Department Head Reports & Updates

The following gave updates: Police Department - Greg Stallman, Public Utilities - Jim Utter, Public Works - Scott Atzen, Engineering - John Dostart, Community Development - John Shaw, Finance - Randy Pierce, Administration - Jeff Mark

11. General Business

*Council Member Mertz expressed his thanks for the new City Hall/Police Station.

*Council Member Scott Leighter expressed his appreciation and enjoyment working with to the mayor, fellow council members and city staff.

*Council Member Willey provided an update on DART and stated the new facility will allow staff to have better and more efficient communication.

*Mayor O'Connor echoed his agreement to previous statements. He also expressed his thanks to Joe and LeAnn Riding for selling their golf course to the city.

12. Adjourn at 7:10pm

Roll Call Vote:

Y Boka Y Duer 1 Leighter Y Mertz 2 Willey (5-0)

Attest to:

Amy S. Hill, Secretary

Dean O'Connor, Mayor