COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALGOMA
September 8, 2009

The regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Algoma was called to order by Mayor Haske on September 8, 2009 at 6:00 PM at City Hall.

Members present: Lynn Lawrenz, Bruce Charles, Paula Wiese, Judy Wiese, Jim Barlow, Kevin Schmidt & Jan Dart

Absent: Scott Ryan

Moved by Charles second by Schmidt to adopt the agenda. Motion carried.

Moved by Barlow second by Schmidt to approve the August 3, 2009 Council minutes as published. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

Parks & Rec. – The Committee heard a proposal regarding a Fire Fighters Memorial to be erected south of the Chamber Building. The Youth Club will open on September 14th. The Committee approved the 2010 budget. The boiler at the Community Building needs to be replaced.

Public Works – The extension of Dier Ave. will be addressed in the 2010 budget. The Committee approved the repair of the RAS pump for $3,509.00 and the digester wall for $18,313.00. One sewer credit was approved for $174.37. Quotes for lighting at the WWTF will be obtained. The failing alley between Steele and State Street will be removed and grass will be planted. The 2010 budget was approved. The sidewalk on Haney Ave. will be removed. Snow removal bids will be reviewed at the September meeting.

Protection – Sam Gueli was approved as a probationary member of the Fire Dept. The 2010 budgets were approved for police, fire and rescue. The Committee will review copies of the noise ordinance from other areas. The 2009 Nuclear Plant bill has not been paid by the County. The Committee approved a license for Wine Fest.

Library – The Library is participating in the Badger Net network. Approval was given to attend the Wis. Library Association Conference in October. The Board approved the 2010 budget with a proposed 3% wage increase placed into a contingency fund.

Med. Board – The Board approved a change order for piping as part of the roof project at a cost not to exceed $2,600.00. The new dinning room chairs have arrived. The July occupancy rate was 97%

Finance – The Committee heard a request to increase the City support of Main Street. The Committee will review the financial procedures and room tax ordinance at the September meeting. The City will move to having one phone bill for all city lines. The 2010 general government budget was approved. The boilers at the Community Building and Fire Station will be considered as part of the refinancing package.

Community Development – The Business Park Plat is ready for presentation to the Planning Commission. The Committee approved the 2010 budget. The process for addressing the nuisance ordinance was reviewed with Chief Magno by Alderman Charles.

Tree Board – The 2010 trees will be ordered during the last week of September. Arbor Day will be held on September 19th at City Hall. Requests for tree removals will be monitored. A 2010 Urban Forestry grant application will be filed.

Marina – The plan for a Marina dock expansion would cost about $6,000.00. The DNR is requiring 6 handicap parking stalls at the 2 Marina parking lots. The 2010 budget was approved.

Utility – The Commission awarded $1,000.00 to the Library for a job and training resource center. The Lumber Company Loop is complete. The energy audit has been completed at the WWTF. The Commission discussed Public Power Week.

Ad Hoc Audit – The Committee discussed police scheduling and overtime. The City is looking at various credit card options. Revenue and expenses at the Youth Club will be reviewed. The Committee will look at the nuisance ordinance and removal of junk from properties.

Moved by Schmidt second by P. Wiese to approve the Committee reports. Motion carried.

Moved by Schmidt second by Dart to approve the bills. Roll call: 7 yes 0 no

Mayor Haske read the Arbor Day Proclamation for Arbor Day on September 19th.

Moved by Wiese second by Charles to adopt Resolution 620 – Urban Forestry Grant. Roll Call: 7 yes 0 no

Moved by P. Wiese second by Dart to approve the Assessor Contract. Roll Call: 5 yes 2 no (Lawrenz & J. Wiese)

Moved by P. Wiese second by Dart to obtain proposals for the boilers at the Fire Station and the Community Building. Roll Call: 7 yes 0 no

The Council will meet at 5:30 P.M. on September 30, 2009 to review the proposed 2010 budget.

Moved by Barlow second by P. Wiese to adjourn. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:52 PM.

Thomas Romdenne, Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer