

# COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

## COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALGOMA

December 7, 2009

The regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Algoma was called to order by Mayor Haske on December 7, 2009 at 6:00 PM at City Hall.

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

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

Moved by Schmidt second by P. Wiese to approve the November 2, 2009 Council minutes as published. Motion carried.

### Committee Reports

**Parks & Rec.** – The Park of Lights has 45 trees this year. The Optimist Club donated \$175.00 for the flag pole planter. The Committee will earmark \$4,400.00 for lights at Peterson Park.

**Protection** – The Committee heard public comment regarding a dog on Washington St. The Chief of Police will handle this issue based on recommendation from the City Attorney. Dan Hill was approved as a probationary fire fighter. Dwight Fameree was named as a member of the Fire Department. The Committee approved various earmarkings for the Police Department. James Hathaway was approved as a CSO. Various training and seminar sessions were approved. The fire contracts for the Town of Pierce and the Town of Lincoln were set using a flat rate. The Town of Ahnapee contract was recommended for adjustment in 2011.

**Public Works** – No Minutes

**Library** – The Library received \$150.00 in donations. Another bequest was received from the Knospe estate. The employment station is now available for use. The librarians will attend the 2010 Public Library Convention through a scholarship from the Nicolet System.

**Med. Board** – The roof inspection has been completed. 78 care plans are now complete. The October profit was \$7,567.00. The HVAC in the kitchen will be replaced at a cost of \$19,575.00. The Administrator was given a 3% raise effective 12/01/2009 and an additional week of vacation effective 01/01/2010.

**Finance** – The fire contracts for the Town of Pierce, the Town of Lincoln and the Town of Ahnapee were discussed. For 2010, the base rate for the Town of Pierce will be \$29,000, the Town of Lincoln will be \$19,000 and the Town of Ahnapee will be \$7,500. In 2011 the Town of Ahnapee will increase to \$11,500 and in 2012 increase to \$15,000. All will have a 3% annual increase beginning in 2011 and 2013. The City insurance will move to the League Plan in 2010.

**Community Development** – Any earmarked funds will be approved at the December meeting. The preliminary plat for the Business Park has been submitted to the State. Protective covenants have been completed for the Business Park.

**Cable** – Special broadcasts were received. The Committee approved purchase of a DVD player and controller. The Committee meetings will move to the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month at 4:00 PM.

**Planning** – The Commission granted a conditional use for a spa at the B & B at 617 Fremont Street. The site for the proposed Firemen’s Memorial was approved.

**Marina** – Geo-synthetics made a presentation on Marina dredging using a bag system. The Committee approved the earmarked funds for 2010.

**Utility** – The Commission discussed current projects. The financial report was approved. The City has submitted an application for lighting and air conditioning through the EECBG grant program.

**Ad Hoc Audit** – The Committee will meet with Verizon on cell phones. BayLake Bank will provide information on credit card fees. Kewaunee County vs Veolia landfill fees are being checked for possible savings.

**Tourism and Promotion** – The Tourism and Promotion funds from the Accommodation Tax will be set up in a separate account. The Committee is looking at various proposals for billboards. The 2010 budget was approved. Fish stocking by the DNR will be researched.

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

Moved by Charles second by P. Wiese to approve the bills. Roll call: 8 yes 0 no

Moved by Dart second by Schmidt to approve the Fire Contract proposals with the Town of Pierce, the Town of Lincoln and the Town of Ahnapee. Roll call: 8 yes 0 no

Moved by Barlow second by J. Wiese to move the City insurance to the League Plan in 2010. Roll call: 8 yes 0 no

The year-end meeting will be on December 29, 2009 at 5:00 P.M. at City Hall.

Moved by Schmidt second by J. Wiese to adjourn. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:38 PM.

Thomas Romdenne, Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer