

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALGOMA

February 2, 2009

The regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Algoma was called to order by Mayor Haske on February 2, 2009 at 6:00 PM at City Hall.

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

Absent: Scott Ryan

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

Moved by Wiese second by Schmidt to approve the Council minutes of January 5, 2009 as published. Motion carried.

Ken Taylor made a presentation regarding the Capital Fund drive for the LTCU. The total amount raised was \$206,172.28 plus interest of \$1,225.57. All funds have been expensed for various items. An open house at the facility will be held on March 22, 2009 from 2:00PM to 4:00PM.

Committee Reports

Parks & Rec. – Information is being obtained regarding holding birthday parties at the Youth Club. The wading pool drain needs to be upgraded to meet code. The cost could be \$1,500.00. The Committee will review options. Potential uses for Newman Park are being checked. The City will supply \$2,000.00 for the Perry Field repairs being done by the High School.

Public Works – The clarifier rehab project for 2009 will cost \$78,065.00 per unit. Funds will come from the replacement fund. The city parking lots are causing snow removal issues. Various options to handle parking will be reviewed before the next snow season. The pay request #6 for Perry St. has not been made. All lien waivers from previous payments have not been received. The bid opening for the 2009 project will be February 4, 2009 at 5:00PM at City Hall.

Protection – The Committee will work with Public Works to address parking lot snow removal issues. Randy Dachelet and Kevin Clafin have resigned from the Fire Dept. The Committee will meet, along with Finance, to discuss the Fire & Rescue contracts with the Towns of Pierce and Lincoln. Electric scooters are not street legal because they cannot be registered or titled with the DOT.

Library – The Library received \$100.00 in donations. The Nicolet System will be holding a Trustee Development Day on May 9th. The Knospe bequest will be used to set up some type of endowment. The criteria for the \$500.00 Library Scholarship is being prepared.

Med. Board – The 2008 profit was reported at \$297,488.00. Dimension IV will handle the roof project – plans and specifications, bid opening and construction observation. The new satellite TV system has been installed. An open house will be on March 22nd from 2:00PM – 4:00PM.

Finance – The current rental agreement with Kewaunee County Emergency will be reviewed as part of the 2010 budget. The Committee will meet with the Towns of Pierce and Lincoln regarding the Fire & Rescue contracts for 2010 and beyond after a preliminary meeting with the PPP Committee on the issue.

Personnel – The issue of City Hall hours was tabled until the Personnel Policy manual could be reviewed. The Cemetery administration line item will be moved to the Administrator and Deputy Clerk-Treasurer line items. The office hours for City Hall will be 6:30AM - 4:30PM except for those weeks containing holidays in which case the hours will be 7:30AM – 4:30PM. The Administrator will review the policy manual and will bring changes to the committee for approval.

Community Development – The Committee reviewed the options available for the new business park. The Committee selected option two and authorized Baudhuin Engineering to develop a construction cost estimate.

Cable – The Committee reviewed special programming and discussed the People, Place and Events programming. Channel 981 (23) will be used for special information programs.

Tree Board – Letters will be sent to property owners regarding tree removal for the 6th St. project. Arbor Day 2009 will be on September 19, 2009. Park tree mulching will be a 2009 project.

Marina – Boaters will be allowed to install whips, bumpers or other equipment on the river docks on approval of Marina manager. L & M Industries will be contacted regarding dredging if needed. Gas prices for a 2009 contract will be explored.

Utility – The new water softener has been installed at Well #3. The solar PV awning became operational on January 9th. The City Hall lighting project received \$3,586.00 in rebates from WPPI and Algoma Utility. Riederer will attend the MEUW management certification program. Voluntary capital contributions for ATC units was approved.

Moved by Barlow second by Dart to approve the Committee reports. Motion carried.

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

Moved by Schmidt second by Dart to approve the Mayor's appointment of Rita Clark to the Housing Authority. Motion Carried.

The idea of changing the number of people on the Finance Committee was discussed. It was suggested that people bring ideas to the March meeting.

Moved by Iwen second by Schmidt to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:50 PM.

Thomas Romdenne, Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer