

City of Algoma  
**Community Development Committee Minutes**  
December 21, 2015

The regular meeting of the Community Development Committee was called to order by the chairman in compliance with open meeting laws at 6:00 pm on Monday, December 21, at City Hall. Present were Bruce Charles (chairman), Jacque Wiese, John Pabich, Bob Davis, Shawn Olson, Mike Glime and Russ Ritchie. City Administrator Jeff Wiswell, Alderman Jan Dart, Ron Welch and Jan Miller were also present.

Moved by John, second by Russ: to approve the agenda as published. Motion carried.

Moved by Russ, second by Jacque: to approve the November 16, 2015 meeting minutes. Motion carried.

The financial report was reviewed. There were two bills to approve.

Moved by Russ, second by Bob: to approve the bills. Motion carried.

Existing wayfinding signage has been replaced. New signage has still to be installed.

The committee discussed making changes to the Accommodation Tax Ordinance.

Moved by Russ, second by John: to recommend the Common Council amend the Accommodation Tax Ordinance to increase the tax rate from 6% to 8%; to adjust the tax funds appropriation from 75% to 70% for the Promotion & Tourism Committee and from 25% to 30% for the Community Development Committee; with changes to be effective January 1, 2017. Motion carried.

The committee discussed asking relevant community organizations to make presentations to the committee. Live Algoma/Healthy Community and the Algoma Performing Arts Center will be invited to the January or February regular meeting.

The city administrator updated the committee on the status of the lighthouse acquisition, hotel project and CDBG planning grant RFP. There was a consensus for the committee to be involved in reviewing the RFPs and interviewing respondents.

Moved by Russ, second by Jacque: to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm.

The next regular committee meeting is Monday, January 18, 2015, at 6 pm, in City Hall.