City of Algoma
Common Council Meeting Minutes
Monday, January 4, 2016 at 6:00 P.M.

The January 4, 2016 regular meeting of the Algoma Common Council was called to order by Mayor Schmidt at 6:00 PM in the Council Chambers, and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Grace Cole, a 6th grader at Algoma Elementary School.

Present at roll call: Alders Barlow, Charles, Dachelet, Dart, Groessl, Mueller, Schmidt, and Wiese.

It was noted that the meeting was in compliance with the open meeting law. Groessl, moved, seconded by Mueller, to approve the agenda as printed. Motion passed.

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the Monday, December 7, 2015 regular meeting of the Common Council by Schmidt, and seconded by Dachelet. Motion passed.

Public Comment

Mayor Wayne Schmidt read a Proclamation honoring Rita Schiesser, Library Director, upon her retirement, for her service to the City of Algoma. The Mayor and the Council then welcomed the new Library Director, Amanda Burns.

Attorney Keith A. Mehn, appeared before the Council to speak about his candidacy for Kewaunee County Circuit Court Judge.

Consideration of Bills, Claims, and Conference Attendance:

A motion was made by Charles, and seconded by Wiese, to approve as submitted all of the general bills and credit card payments. The roll was called and all members present voted aye.

A motion was made by Barlow, and seconded by Dachelet, to approve the attendance by Jim Winter, AFD EMS at the Wisconsin EMS Association Conference in Milwaukee, WI from January 28-30, 2016. The motion passed.

Old Business

Upon being given a second reading by the Council, Barlow moved, seconded by Wiese, to approve Ordinance Amendment No. 787 – 2015 relating to updating the Algoma Utility's cross connection control program plan and modifying its alternate cross connection inspection schedule. Motion passed.

Upon being given a second reading by the Council, Barlow moved, seconded by Wiese, to approve Ordinance Amendment No. 788 – 2015 relating to directing the Algoma Utility Department to collect sewer deposits if a customer has an outstanding account balance with any Wisconsin gas, electric, water or sewer utility which accrued in the last 6 years. Motion passed.

Upon being given a second reading by the Council, Barlow moved, seconded by Dachelet, to approve Ordinance Amendment No. 789 – 2015 relating to establishing the collection procedure to be used by the Algoma Utility Department for delinquent electric and water service accounts. Motion passed.

New Business

Moving onto new business, Dart moved, seconded by Schmidt, to approve consideration of an application for a new operator's license for Justin M. Paszczak, 2015 Mueller Street, Algoma for the Algoma Pizza Bowl. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Dart, and seconded by Charles, to approve Resolution No. 756 – 2015 relating to extending the Assessors Contract at the same rate. Motion passed.

Charles moved, seconded by Schmidt, to approve Resolution No.757 – 2015 relating to approving a realignment of the Animal Control Officer function within the Algoma Police Department.
Motion passed.

A motion was made by Dart, and seconded by Charles, to approve Resolution No. 758 – 2015 relating to approving an agreement with Camera Corner-Connecting Point to provide professional services to the City of Algoma Police Department to provide Tier 3 Support Block for the City computer network. Motion passed.

Charles moved, seconded by Schmidt, to approve Resolution No. 759 – 2015 relating to supporting inclusion of Kewaunee County's Coastal Areas as part of a National Marine Sanctuary in Wisconsin's Mid-Lake Region. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Dachelet, and seconded by Dart, to approve Resolution No. 760 – 2015 relating to authorizing the Administrator – Clerk – Treasurer to secure a $506,000 Letter of Credit (LOC) to satisfy financial assurance obligations to EPA Super Fund as provided for in the 1993 Federal Court Consent Decree Covering the Algoma Municipal Landfill. Motion passed.

Dart moved, seconded by Groessl, to approve Resolution No. 761 – 2015 relating to authorizing the Administrator – Clerk – Treasurer to borrow from the

Trust Funds of the State Of Wisconsin the Sum Of Three Hundred Thirty Five Thousand Seven Hundred Sixty Four And 00/100 Dollars ($335,764.00) for the purpose of financing renovations to the Algoma Medical Center. The roll was called and all members present voted aye, except Wiese who voted no.

A motion was made by Dart, and seconded by Charles, to suspend the rules to give Ordinance Amendment No. 790 – 2015 its second reading. The roll was called and all members present voted aye. Dart then moved, seconded by Groessl, to give final approval to Ordinance Amendment No. 790 – 2015 relating to amending the 2015 City of Algoma Fee Schedule by modifying boat launch fees. Motion passed.

Committee Reports

The following Committees, Boards and Commissions reported on their activities as detailed in their committee minutes for the period: Finance & Personnel; Protection of Persons & Property; Marina; Park & Rec.; Public Works; Community Development Committee; Tourism & Promotion; Cable; Cemetery; Library; Medical Board; Tree Committee; Utility Commission; and Board of Review. A motion was made to receive the committee reports by Mueller, and seconded by Charles. The motion passed.

Administrator – Clerk – Treasurer's Report

Administrator Wiswell reported to the Council about: (1) the 2016 Capital Borrowing Plan and the WI Board of Commissioners of Public Lands Loan process, (2) the 2016 Capital Borrowing Plan and USDA RDA loan and grant application process, (3) the Fund for Lake Michigan Grant Application, (4) the Coastal Management Grant Application to the Wisconsin Department of Administration, (5) the US EPA Lake Michigan Grant Application, (6) the CDBG Planning Grant Application to the Wisconsin Department of Administration, and (7) an update on GrandStay Hotel Development.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Schmidt spoke briefly about the construction project coming up in 2017 on the Second Street Bridge that is on Kewaunee County Highway S within the City, as well as the preliminary work that is being done on the project now.

A motion was made to adjourn at 7:26 PM by Alder Schmidt, and seconded by Wiese. The motion carried, and the Council stood adjourned until Monday, February 1, 2016 at 6:00 PM.