



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

The April 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 Romyn Heling, a 6<sup>th</sup> grader at St. Paul's School, Algoma.

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. Charles, moved, seconded by Schmidt, to approve the agenda as printed. Motion passed.

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the Monday, March 7, 2016 regular meeting of the Common Council by Dachelet, and seconded by Mueller. Motion passed.

#### Public Comment

State Representative Joel Kitchens, appeared before the Common Council to report on the next steps required to improve water quality on Ahnapee River. Mr. Kitchens also presented Alderman Groessl with a pen used by the Governor to sign 2015 Wisconsin Act 341 into law on March 30, 2016. Act 341 (Senate Bill 581/Assembly Bill 519), introduced by Senators Cowles, and cosponsored by Representatives Kitchens, relates to the compatibility of first responders to serve as municipal elective officeholders. Administrator Wiswell assisted in the effort to pass this legislation.

John Pabich, of 305 Fremont St., a member of the Algoma School Board, appeared before the Council, to provide an update on the Algoma School District remodeling referendum.

Police Administrator Cornelius, appeared before the Council, to present Officer Eric Jose, with the 2015 Algoma Police Officer of the Year Award and to introduce several new part time police officers.

Mayor Schmidt then administered the ceremonial swearing in of Algoma Police Officers Justin Farley, Jacob Jandrin, and Tanner G. Tanck.

Mayor Schmidt read Proclamation No. 2016 – 02 setting May 6, 2016 as Arbor Day in the City of Algoma, and he urged all citizens to celebrate this observance and to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands.

Virginia Haske, 720 Third St., addressed the Common Council regarding an upcoming program here in Algoma for the Violence Intervention Project.

Algoma Utility Superintendent Pete Haack appeared before the Common Council to report that the City has replaced all of its main lines, including those that might have been made out of lead, and that only 96 lead based laterals (from main lines to homes) remained in use. Mr. Haack also noted that the Algoma School District is responsible for the public water kiosk that is serving the area's rural citizens.

Consideration of Bills, Claims, and Conference Attendance:

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

Charles moved, seconded by Schmidt, to approve the payment of a bill submitted by Wiese Memorials and Burial Vault Co. The roll was called and all members present voted aye, except Alder Wiese who abstained.

A motion was made by Dart, and seconded by Dachelet, to approve the attendance by Michelle Seidl, DCT, at the MTAW Spring Conference, in Appleton, WI from April 20-22, 2016; and Michelle Seidl, DCT, and Amber Shallow, ADCT, to take the Vision Municipal Report Building Webinar on June 1, 2016. Motion passed.

Barlow moved, seconded by Groessl, to deny the January 26, 2016 Notice of Claim by Erie Insurance, Worthington, OH 43085 on behalf of their insured, Terry Beisner for recovery of property damages based upon the fact that a Statewide Services Inc. claims investigation revealed that the claimant driver was majority at fault for this auto accident involving a City owned plow truck. The roll was called and all members present voted aye.

Old Business

There was no old business before the Council.

New Business

A motion was made by Dachelet, and seconded by Dart, to approve the appointment of Jan Charles and Terri Decur as Chief Inspectors for the January 1, 2016 – December 31, 2017 Election Cycle. Motion passed.

Schmidt moved, seconded by Wiese, to approve the appointment of the following individuals as ERO's (Election Registration Officials) for the January 1, 2016-December 31, 2017 Election Term: Jan Dart, Terri Decur, Janice Mueller, Therese Wagner, Jeff Wiswell – Administrator – Clerk – Treasurer, Michelle Seidl – Deputy Clerk Treasurer, and Amber Shallow – Assistant Deputy Clerk Treasurer. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Charles, seconded by Groessl, to approve an agreement with Camera Corner / Connecting Point to provide the City of Algoma with a

computer backup server and additional memory for the computer systems at City Hall, and the professional services to install this equipment. Motion passed.

Barlow moved, seconded by Wiese, to direct the City Administrator – Clerk – Treasurer to appoint Commerce State Bank and its branch bank in, West Bend, WI as a municipal depository for the City of Algoma, WI. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Schmidt, seconded by Barlow, to approve the pre-application conceptual site plan and design plan prepared by and for the Algoma, WI GrandStay Hotel and Conference Center to be located on the southerly half of the city block that lies (east and west) between First and Second Streets, and (north and south) between Clark and Steele Streets. The roll was called and all members present voted aye.

### 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; and the Utility Commission. A motion was made to receive the committee reports by Schmidt, and seconded by Charles. The motion passed.

### Administrator – Clerk – Treasurer's Report

Administrator Wiswell reminded citizens that the spring 2016 general election and presidential primary election is scheduled for Tuesday, April 5<sup>th</sup> at City Hall. The Administrator reported to the Council about the status of the: (1) 2016 cash flow projections for the Algoma Medical Center Treasury, (2) US Army Corps of Engineers Harbor Sedimentation Study Team Visit and meeting with the Marina Committee, and (3) US EPA Lake Michigan Grant Application. The Administrator also reported that: (1) Kevin Kleinert signed the amendment to the Maritime Pointe, LLC Condominium Master Development Agreement, and will begin construction on the next phase of the project this spring, (2) his communication with Mike Lindner developer of GrandStay concerning next steps to be taken following the Council's review of the pre-application conceptual site and design plans for GrandStay, (3) Vierbicher Associates, Inc. work plan relating to: (a) a Strategic Plan for Community and Economic Development for the City; (b) update the Comprehensive Plan which was completed in 2003; and (c) reviewing Algoma's Tax Incremental Financing status, and (4) the City Attorney is completing his legal opinion for the lease / purchase of two pickup trucks for Public Works and Parks and Rec.

### Mayor's Report

Mayor Schmidt encouraged members of the Council to participate in the Davis & Kuelthau's 38th Annual Public Officials Legal Update Program on Wednesday, April 27<sup>th</sup>, from 5 – 8 PM, at Kimberly, WI.

A motion was made to adjourn at 7:16 PM by Alder Dart, and seconded by Groessl. The motion carried, and the Council stood adjourned until Monday, May 2, 2016 at 6:00 PM.