

**Algona City Council
Council Meeting
March 12, 2013**



Mayor David Hill called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM in the Council Chambers of Algona City Hall. He initiated the flag salute. Roll call was taken with Council members Tim Fairley, Bill Thomas, Ed Britz, Lynda Osborn, and Paul Mallary was present. Staff members present were Diana Quinn – City Administrator, Lee Gaskill – Police Lieutenant and Laurie Ulrich – Deputy City Clerk.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA -

The agenda was unanimously approved upon motion by Fairley; seconded by Britz.

CONSENT AGENDA -

The consent agenda was unanimously approved upon motion by Fairley; seconded by Thomas.

- A. Minutes – Council Workshop – February 26, 2013
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- B. Audit of Reports
 - 1. Claims #103401 - #103447 = \$ 148,747.37
March 12, 2013
 - 2. Payroll #60654 - #60661 = \$ 88,721.81
February 28, 2013

REPORTS -

Councilmember Fairley: None

Councilmember Thomas: He attended the Emergency Management Advisory Committee meeting where they voted to add (1) seat to the committee. He said Chief McGehee will be meeting with King County Emergency Management next week.

Councilmember Britz: None

Councilmember Osborn: The Hometown Community Center has been working on Easter egg baskets for the Easter egg hunt on March 30th.

Councilmember Mallary: None.

Lee Gaskill: None

Mayor Hill: He said he has been active with the Puget Sound Regional Council Board, the Regional Transit Committee. He has been spending most of his time working on the Boeing plume issue. State Representative, Linda Kochmar, will be at the City of Algona on Saturday, March 16th to answer questions about the Boeing Contamination issue. She will be here from 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. The Department of Health has been talking about holding an informational meeting at the end of April. We are negotiating the testing with Boeing soon and we have been told we will not know the results of those tests for up to 6 weeks after testing. They will not be doing any vapor testing until after all other testing is complete. Mayor Hill and Diana Quinn met with the Auburn Reporter to set the facts straight regarding the Boeing contamination. Mayor Hill has asked that they test the entire City of Algona. He wants to have it done right not done fast.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION –

- **Wayne Lindy** – 316 Broadway Blvd. – He asked:
 - How long has Boeing known about the contamination? Mayor Hill responded that they discovered the spill in 2002, tested the property in 2009, informed us about the contamination 2011 and confirmed the testing in early 2013.
 - Who are the independent consultants? Mayor Hill said he has hired ICF.
 - Who is Boeing's firm they hired for testing? Mayor Hill said Landau and Associates
 - Can we have our house tested? Mayor Hill said he is working on this. Mr. Lindy mentioned that because this is a known fact, residents must disclose this information about their property before they can sell their homes.
- **David Konsmo** – 36 2nd Avenue North – He asked:
 - Did the City of Algona seek Counsel prior to hiring our consulting firm? Mayor Hill responded that the City attorney did review the contract but the City is the one who decides who to hire. Mr. Konsmo read his concerns about the Boeing contamination to the Council members and Mayor and said he has also hired his own consultants to review the Boeing contamination concerns.
- **Stacie Sippo** – 1025 Celery Avenue – She said she has researched the air contamination of the TCE chemical and has found out that it can stay in your body for at least a week.
- **Wayne Lindy** – 316 Broadway Blvd. – He wants to be reassured that that the City of Algona will hold Boeing accountable to the resident's health and property devaluations. He mentioned his concerns as to not being able to rent his house out because he will have to disclose the information about the Boeing contamination.
- **Councilmember Fairley** – He commented to the audience of the jobs that the Council members are required to do. They were voted in to make decisions and felt that they are doing a good job for the City of Algona.
- **Gerald Sears** – 39 2nd Avenue North – He suggested having the Boeing consultants start their drilling in July or August because we don't have dry ground until then. He has concerns about the vapor intrusion.
- **Bernadette Tranholt** – 37 2nd Avenue North – She asked about the 3rd site for the transfer station in Auburn. Mayor Hill said the county has named it as the preferred site. King County is in the process of doing the environmental impact statement.
- **Wayne Lindy** – 316 Broadway Blvd. – He asked if the City of Auburn is affected by this plume. Mayor Hill said Auburn is affected. The city of Auburn is worried about economic development. He said before they built the Safeway distribution center they had to do a cleanup of the property.
- **Stacie Sippo** – 1025 Celery Avenue – she said she has looked into the EPA federal based website and did a search on the website. It is about TCE and apparently places that have it in their ground have to notify the EPA and Algona is not listed on the federal site list. Mayor Hill said he thought the EPA was informed of this back in 2002. She said this website was put up in 2011. She also asked about Rich White from Boeing. He is in

charge of the governmental affairs and he contacted each councilmember individually and wanted to set up one on one meeting with each. All of the Councilmember's had declined and Diana sent him information about attending the council meetings and he would be able to talk with the whole council but he declined.

- **Robin Tranholt** – 37 2nd Avenue North – He asked where the wells from Auburn were located. Mayor Hill said most of them are up on the hill. He asked when the speed limit on West Valley Highway will back up to 40 m.p.h. Mayor Hill said once we get West Valley Highway fixed, we will do a study to raise the limit. He asked about the sound wall and Mayor Hill said we are trying to get a sound wall.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION ITEMS –

A. PSRC _ Establishment of the National Freight Network – this is first touch to recognize the freight corridors. It is a congressional action MAP 21 “Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st century” MAP-21 makes significant progress in recognizing the importance of planning for freight and goods movement at the highest level by enacting provisions that develop a national freight network, develop performance measures, encourage state freight planning, and ultimately will develop a national freight strategic plan.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS – None

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS –

A. Resolution 1068-13, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Algona, Washington, authorizing the Mayor to execute an amended and restated Interlocal Agreement with King County for the provisions of solid waste disposal. Motion to approve Resolution 1068-13 by Fairley; seconded by Thomas. Unanimously approved.

EXECUTIVE SESSION –

Pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 (1)(i) the Algona City Council will now go into an executive session to discuss potential litigation. The anticipated duration of this executive session is 20 minutes. At 9:02 p.m. we will go back on the record in our open meeting session ((and likely will entertain a motion to adjourn)) Opened meeting at 8:42 p.m. Returned to open meeting at 9:02 p.m. and motion to adjourn the meeting by Fairley; seconded by Thomas. Unanimously approved.

ADJOURNMENT -

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:02 P.M.

ATTEST:

Laurie Ulrich, Deputy City Clerk

David E. Hill, Mayor