

**Algona City Council
Council Meeting
January 11, 2021**



Mayor Hill called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. He initiated the flag salute. Roll call was taken. Council members, Troy Linnell, William Thomas, Dawn Dofelmire, Mike Dawkins and Lynda Osborn were present. Staff members present were James Schrimpsheer – Police Chief, Jimmy Griess – Public Works Director, and Jessica Griess – Acting City Clerk.

PUBLIC HEARING – No comments made on outdoor dining.

MAYOR PRO TEM APPOINTMENT – Council Member Osborn nominated Council Member Linnell as Mayor Pro Tem. Council Member Thomas seconded the nomination. Mayor Hill asked if there were any other nominations. When none were brought forward, he closed the nominations then asked for a vote from the council. The vote was a unanimous yes.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION – Swearing in of Police Officer Stefka Kling.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Council Member Dawkins moved to approve the agenda and Council Member Dofelmire seconded it. The Mayor asked for a vote from the council and received an unanimous response in favor to approve the agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA – Council Member Thomas moved to approve the Consent Agenda and Council Member Dawkins seconded it. Mayor Hill asked if there were any comments. When there were none, he asked for a vote from the council and received an unanimous response in favor to approve the consent agenda.

REPORTS –

Councilmember Dawkins- Concurs with Council Member Dofelmire and thank you to the police department.

Councilmember Dofelmire- Wanted to thank the Police Department for being out on New Year's Day and taking care of an issue in her neighborhood.

Councilmember Linnell- None.

Councilmember Osborn- None.

Councilmember Thomas- Thank you to Police Department for assisting with getting Council packets out to the Council and thank you to the Public Works crew for managing the flooding issues in the city and maintaining the ditches.

Police Chief- Thank you to Zach our City Attorney for attending. The Police Department will be hosting a training event with other agencies a part of the Coalition of Small Police Agencies. The training is based on force options. Thank you for the kind words, it is a testament to the team effort across the city. Introduction to Eric who is assisting with a utility survey to upgrade the Police Department building. The grant is energy efficiency focused.

Mayor Hill- None.

Director of Public Works- 11th avenue has flooded 6-8" across the whole road and the crew is looking to get a quote for a pump to help mitigate the flooding. Looking into placing it on 7th Ave N. and pumping the water south along the state ditch near 5th Ave N. The state ditch from 7th Ave N. heading north is too full. The water is disappearing quicker than usual. The pump would be a rental for emergency use.

Acting City Clerk Griess- None.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION – None.

OLD BUSINESS – None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None.

DISCUSSION –

- A. Ordinance 1185-21, An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Algona, Washington, Amending Chapter 2.50 AMC Fee Schedule; Updating and Increasing the City's Rates for Sanitary Sewer Service; Providing for Severability; and Establishing an Effective Date.

Jimmy Griess addressed the Council. King County Sanitary Sewer Services sent out a notice to Diana's email almost a year ago notifying of a rate increase in 2021. Julie noticed the change and realized the city's rates would need to be updated as well. The rate increase will be \$2.04. It must be passed by the next council meeting in order to bill with the new rate for January. Zach confirmed that waving the triple review by the Council would be recommended and allowed in this case to ensure the rate schedule can be effective for the January billing.

- B. Finance Committee Creation

The Mayor has asked for the creation of a Finance Committee made up of himself, a staff member, and a Council member. This committee can be a more ad hoc approach or meet on a regular basis. The committee can also just be an overseer with no authority to avoid the open government requirement. The Mayor suggested a standing committee as well. The Council would like to move forward with the standing committee option.

- C. 2021 Stormwater Management Program

Only updates from 2020, is the timelines. The new dates are in the 2021 Stormwater Management Program.

NEW BUSINESS – None.

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS –

- A. Ordinance 1184-21, An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Algona, Washington, Amending Chapter 3.30 AMC Purchase Orders; Increasing the Mayor's Delegated Purchasing Authority to Include Contracts for Goods and Services in Amounts up to twenty-five thousand dollars; Providing for Severability; and Establishing an Effective Date.

Council Member Thomas moved to approve Ordinance 1184-21 and Council Member Linnell seconded it. Ordinance passed with a unanimous vote in favor.

- B. Resolution 1227-21, A Resolution of the City of Algona, Washington, Approving an Agreement with Tara Dunford, CPA, for Accounting Services and Authorizing the Mayor to Execute the Agreement.

Council Member Dawkins moved to approve Resolution 1227-21 and Council Member Thomas seconded it. Resolution passed with a unanimous vote in favor.

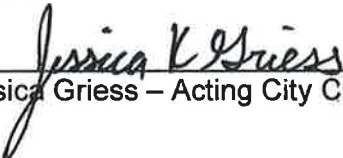
EXECUTIVE SESSION –

The Council broke into an executive session to discuss potential litigation with legal counsel pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i).

ADJOURNMENT -

There being no further business and the meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM.

ATTEST:



Jessica Griess – Acting City Clerk



David E. Hill - Mayor