# Algona City Council Council Meeting Minutes June 13, 2022



Mayor Dave Hill called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. He initiated the flag salute. Roll call was taken. Council members Gordon Cook, Troy Linnell, Lynda Osborn and William Thomas were present. Staff members James Schrimpsher – Police Chief, Jessica Griess – City Clerk and Dana Parker – Deputy City Clerk were present.

<u>PRESENTATION</u> – Great Blue Heron Award – Lisa Nickel – Lisa was unable to attend. ALPAC Elementary is holding a ceremony for her on Thursday 6/16 at 4:30.Council Member Linnell volunteered to present the award to her at that time.

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA -

Council Member Thomas made a motion to approve the agenda and Council Member Osborn seconded it. The Mayor asked for a vote from the council and received a unanimous response in favor to approve the agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA Council Member Linnell made a motion to approve the agenda and Council Member Cook seconded it. The Mayor asked for a vote from the council and received a unanimous response in favor to approve the agenda.

#### REPORTS -

Councilmember Cook - None.

Councilmember Linnell- None

Councilmember Osborn - None

**Councilmember Thomas**- Kudos to public works for the job that they do. Good to hear about Officer Johnson. We have several areas that need line stripping. West Valley being one of them.

City Clerk – Jessica Griess – Busy couple of weeks. Thursday June 16<sup>th</sup> 10-2 Blood drive joint with Pacific. June 16 at ALPAC presenting Blue Heron award. Saturday June 18<sup>th</sup> Algona/Pacific Community Yard Sale. June 24<sup>th</sup> 9 p.m. Drive in Movie – Turning Red. June 25<sup>th</sup> 11-1 is the bike Rodeo. June 27<sup>th</sup> 1;30 Senior Poker Run – Algona, Pacific, Auburn and Milton. Program with Catholic Community Services and Auburn has stopped since they have gone back to communal lunches. Gary and Val have taken over lunches to-go every Monday and Wednesday. Council Applications – We have received three so far and quite a few inquiries. Applications are due this Friday and we will have them ready for council's review during an executive session at the next council meeting. The first deliverable for the Housing Action Plan implementation Grant with the Dept. of Commerce has been completed. I have placed a copy of the finished Housing Needs Assessment in front of you for you to look at. With the Housing Needs Assessment, I have submitted the first reimbursement request with it for \$28,960 which covers Blueline's work on the

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assessment.

Police Chief Schrimpsher – finished the grant for adding the specialist position and possible officer position. We are working with the grant writing firm and are inputting the financial information into the Department of Justice system. Our new recruit Emily Greve has an academy date of the second week of July. She should graduate the first week of November. We had a couple crazy incidents this past weekend. Officer Johnson assisted our partners to the South. Got an Atta boy from the Pacific Lieutenant. He did a great job in de-escalating the situation. Sargent McKay and myself received a call from King County Mental health thanking us and recommending the Officer Johnson be put in for the Life Saving Award. Great job in de-escalating. I concur. Regarding the new councilmember position the plan is that next council meeting have interviews on record as requested by council. Each candidate will get three minutes with council. In your next council package, you will get copies of the applications so you are prepared. Salvador resigned and is going to the city of Fircrest. The job was announced internally and we have had one applicant. I am leaving it open for a second applicant.

**Mayor Hill** – We have an audit in September. With Jessica being out for part of it, I would like to be prepared. Would like to anticipate what they are going to ask for. Our last audit was for the years 2017, 2018 and 2019. My goal is to get started early on this.

## AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION -.

James Harper 312 Junction Blvd. I have excerpts from the Mayor Councilmember Handbook on how city council meetings are conducted for your review. I feel that are relevant due to last council gathering discussion. I suggest reading how meetings are conducted. The city council is s in charge of their own meetings and the mayors position is to keep the meeting moving.

Chris Gomez - 527 Main Street, I was also at that workshop meeting. The workshop is not a city council meeting per the RWC. I feel that that everyone who was on screen, audience, council and myself is owed an apology. Mayor Hill asked the city attorney Zach Lell whether the workshop is considered a council meeting, City Attorney Zach Lell responded yes under state law anytime council meets under a quorum. Chris stated however, your RWC states that you are in charge of the city. You sign documents and contracts and oversee the city. You have come to meetings regarding 8th Street and did not know who was in charge. You need to take responsibility and not blame council or the former public works director for you not having the documents in front of you. Steve Perdue 3rd Ave S. Had some questions about drainage issues. Is there a drainage pla?. Chief Schrimpsher responded by stating that Blueline had put stakeholders through the valley up to Kent. Auburn, DOT, King County flood district held their first meeting. It will be called the Algona Flooding Task Force. Productive meeting. We got historical information on who is responsible and for what. We have applied to King County Flood District for grant funds and work on a flood mitigation plan so we can apply for Federal Relief grants.

**Susan Trieber**  $-35\ 3^{rd}$  Ave S. Having ground water and ditch problems. In the last 4-5 years, the front of my house has sunk 7". I have to have major repairs done to bring it back level. She is willing to bring the reports to the next meeting.

Junior McBride – 79 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. I am having the same problems. My house has sunk 8". The dirt is shifting in the ditch. Mayor Hill suggested holding a Town Meeting to further discuss

**John Drury – 51 1**st **Ave**. Having the same problems. Has noticed the last 6 years that he has lived here that there is a bubble battle. Would like the next meeting to go indepth.

**Linda Emmert – 202 Algona Blvd.** Having problems with the ditch. When pandemic hit public works quit cleaning her ditch. Her ditch needs to be taken care of. Is public works going to start maintaining it again?

## **DISCUSSION**

- A. Ordinance 1203-22 Rainy Day Fund Tara provided background on it.
- B. Ordinance 1204-22 Equipment Rental and Replacement Fund Tara provided background on it.
- C. Ordinance 1205-22 Algona Municipal Code Chapter 13.46 Storm Water Management Revisions Stacey Clear with Gray & Osborn provided background on it. Council Member Linnell made a motion to motion to wave the three-touch rule and Council Member Thomas seconded it. The Mayor asked for a vote from the council and received a unanimous response in favor to approve.
- D. Stormwater Management Action Plan (SMAP)
  Stacey Clear with Gray and Osborn provided background on it. Consensus to
  move forward with the Mill Creek Basin
- E. Impact Fees Eric with Blueline- This is the final review. Looking for consensus to move forward with the proposal.
- F. Algona Policy Manual Chapter 6. This is the second review on the Personal manual.

#### **New Business**

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A. Algona Policy Manual Chapter 703 – 704.

Final review. Councilmember Linnell made a motion to approve.

Councilmember Thomas seconded it. The mayor asked for a vote from the council and received a unanimous response in favor to approve.

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### **Ordinances & Resolution**

## **Next Workshop**

## **Executive Session**

A: Executive session for the purpose of discussion potential litigation with legal counsel pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 (1)(i)

ADJOURNMENT - Meeting adjourned at 10:20 pm.

ATTEST:		
Jessica Griess – City Clerk	David E. Hill – Mayor	