

The City Council of the City of Aledo met in Regular Session in the Council Chambers of the City Hall building on January 22, 2019. MAYOR HAGLOCH called the meeting to order at 6:35 P.M. The roll was called, whereupon the following answered present:

Aldermen ILA BERTRAND, MICHAEL CHAUSSE, BARRY COOPER, JAY DOHERTY, JIM HOLMES, and CHRIS KOPP. Mayor CHRISTOPHER HAGLOCH. Alderman TERRY BEWLEY was excused.

Also present were CHRIS SULLIVAN, Interim Administrator / Chief of Police, JUSTIN BLASER, Director of Public Works & Utilities, and JAROD DALE, City Clerk.

An attendance sheet has been marked Exhibit “A”, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes. The media was represented by Cala Smoldt, Aledo Times Record and Rock Island Argus, and Jim Taylor, WRMJ.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

The meeting was opened in prayer by ALD. Chausse.

Appearances: No Report.

Communication & Correspondence: No Report.

Requests & Petitions: Rex McWhorter, President, Mercer County Agricultural Society appeared to request City Sponsorship in F/Y 2019. Mr. McWhorter reviewed tentative plans as the new president of MCAS and noted a main project to re-roof the Merchant’s Building this year. A budget was provided listing income in the amount of \$115,500 and expenditures in the amount of \$131,900 in F/Y19. \$16,400 to be covered by reserve funds for capital improvements.

City Budget in F/Y19 includes a total budget item in the amount of \$3,000 for city sponsorship regarding the 2019 Mercer County Fair.

Public Works Activity Report:

- *Streets:* finish up Christmas trees, took down wreathes downtown, clean shop, and prep equipment for snow event(s) that took place on 1/11, 1/12, and 1/13.
- *Water:* JULIE’s; Consultant Mark Blythe has begun assisting the City. Monthly sewer and water samples completed. Cleaning RO membranes and WTP stationary. Portable generator has been serviced. Jet sewer at 405 W. Main St, and installed the new heater in the north lagoon shed.
- *Gas:* Continue annual DOT reports. Fixed a few leaks at the border station and began weld testing for 2019. Gas Supt. Attended annual plumbing class in Bloomington for CEU credits, record odor intensity readings, and shop cleaning as well.

- *Cemetery*: Assist Street Division and work on equipment.
- *DPW*: attended the “understanding the 2015 International Residential Building Code” class held by the City of Davenport, IA. DPW registered to take the International Electrical Code class held on 2/4 and 2/5 in Elgin, IL. Met with Mercer County Senior Citizens Center and Aledo Park District regarding their individual projects. Assisting the hospital clinic regarding occupancy postings of the building as well. Assisted in snow events on 1/12 & 1/13.

Aledo Police Department Activity Report: CHIEF Sullivan reported the Department plans to remain a part of the Mercer and Henry County Investigative Task Force. A memorandum of understanding between all of the participating agencies was agreed upon on January 10, 2019, during a meeting of the governing board of the Task Force at the Henry County Courthouse in Cambridge, IL. A resolution requesting the Council authorize the Chief of Police to sign the agreement has been submitted for approval.

Sgt. Adam Baker has been accepted as an Investigator for the Task Force. He recently was certified as a Lead Homicide Investigator by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board. Prior to actually participating in any Task Force investigations, Baker will receive additional training from the Task Force.

Officer Steinbeck has been assigned to be the Safety and Ordinance Lead Officer for the Department. He will assist in all matters relating to City ordinance violations and issues that fall under the purview of the Department. Steinbeck will also be working with the Chief and the Administrative Assistant to the Chief to develop a program designed to locate and inventory all street lights in the City. A comprehensive map including the location of each street light will be created. Additionally, a similar inventory and map of all currently existing public sidewalks will be created. This program should assist the City in planning future sidewalk and bicycle routes and paths, and help determine locations where lights might be needed and locations where the current lighting might be redundant and could be eliminated.

Administration Report: CITY CLERK Dale reported a total number of 1,258 to be invoiced by Jackson Disposal for the first month of city-wide residential garbage / recycling services.

CITY CLERK reported City Staff met with Aledo Park District on 1/13 at the Aledo Fire Station. City Staff met with the board to highlight the continued interest in assisting ALPD with management of their funds. Other highlights include: ALPD to authorize City Officials to access their main depository for management purposes; assist in upcoming budget and tax levy; and to work with current accounting firm, Compton Accounting. Staff also to assist in the review of a quote regarding repairs at the Aledo Swimming Pool as well.

CITY CLERK reported the field audit to be completed in April, 2019. Presentation of the AFR to be presented tentatively in May, 2019 to the Aledo City Council.

CITY CLERK provided a mockup of the 2019 billboard for the Aledo Rhubarb Festival. The EDAC recently reviewed the design and provided a blessing to move forward with the mockup as presented.

City Treasurer’s Report: The Treasurer’s Report has been marked exhibit “B”, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

Mayor’s Report: MAYOR Hagloch highlighted meetings recently attended. Those meetings include Aledo Park District, EDAC and HPC, as well as, Ordinance & Police and TIF Committee meetings. EDAC and HPC working on tentative projects for spring, 2019. HPC continues to work on the project of monument restoration at Memorial Park. EDAC also discussed the economic development consulting firm, 353 Court, LLC and making plans to work with the company if approved by the Council.

Committee Report: ALD. Chausse reported the Ordinance & Police Committee met on January 14, 2019. The Committee discussed a request submitted by Randy Franks, d/b/a Dancer’s Creek Barn in Aledo, IL. to open a liquor license for his event center. After review, the Committee made a recommendation to move the item forward to the Aledo City Council for final approval.

ALD. Chausse reported the Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Committee met on January 14, 2019. The Committee reviewed the proposal submitted by 353 Court, LLC regarding Economic Development Consulting Services and also looking to select a new TIF Consultant regarding Pro-Forma evaluations of TIF applications. The Committee also reviewed potential sale of Lots 9 & 10 in Progress Park, 2nd Addition. More information to follow at a later date.

REGULAR COUNCIL SESSION

Following the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag,

ACTION ITEMS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion was made by ALDERMAN CHAUSSE and seconded by ALDERMAN HOLMES to approve the meeting minutes of January 07, 2019 as presented. A Roll call vote was recorded as follows:

YES: Bertrand, Chausse, Doherty, Holmes, and Kopp. ABSTAIN: Cooper. NO: None.
Motion carried. 5 yeas, 0 nays, 1 abstention.

FINANCE: INVOICE LIST:

Motion was made by ALDERMAN BERTRAND and seconded by ALDERMAN CHAUSSE that the Invoice Listing, which has been marked Exhibit “C”, attached hereto

and made a part of these minutes, be authorized and checks issued. A Roll call vote was recorded as follows:

YES: Chausse, Cooper, Doherty, Holmes, and Bertrand. NO: None. ABSTAIN: Kopp. Motion carried. 5 yeas, 0 nays, 1 abstention.

ORDINANCE NO. 01, SERIES OF 2019; AMENDING TITLE 13 OF THE CITY CODE OF ALEDO, ILLINOIS: (SECOND READING)

Motion was made by ALDERMAN CHAUSSE and seconded by ALDERMAN KOPP that to adopt Ordinance No. 01, Series of 2019; Amending Title 13 of the City Code of Aledo, Illinois; part of Title 13 entitled “Schedule of Fees” that addresses cemetery fees in accordance with Title 8, Chapter 1 of the City Code is hereby amended. A Roll call vote was recorded as follows:

YES: Cooper, Doherty, Holmes, Kopp, Bertrand, and Chausse. NO: None. Motion carried. 6 yeas, 0 nays.

ORDINANCE NO. 02, SERIES OF 2019; APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF A VACUUM TRUCK AND TRADE-IN OF EXISTING STREET SWEEPER FOR THE CITY OF ALEDO: (SECOND READING)

Motion was made by ALDERMAN DOHERTY and seconded by ALDERMAN HOLMES to adopt Ordinance No. 02, Series of 2019; Approving the Purchase of a Vacuum Truck and Trade-In of existing Street Sweeper for the City of Aledo. The Mayor is directed to purchase the Vacuum Truck from Elliot Equipment Co., 3100 W. 76th Street, Davenport, IA., 52806, for \$99,900.00, and is further authorized to trade the City’s 2003 Elgin Pelican street sweeper for a \$7,000.00 credit against the purchase of the Vacuum Truck. A Roll call vote was recorded as follows:

YES: Doherty, Holmes, Kopp, Bertrand, Chausse, and Cooper. NO: None. Motion carried. 6 yeas, 0 nays.

ORDINANCE NO. 03, SERIES OF 2019; AMENDING TITLE 3, CHAPTER 2, SECTION 8 OF THE ALEDO CITY CODE FOR THE PURPOSE OF CREATING A NEW CLASS “E” LIQUOR LICENSE CLASSIFICATION WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ALEDO: (FIRST READING)

Amendment. There is hereby added to Title 3, Chapter 2, Section 8 of the Aledo City Code a new Subsection E, which shall provide as follows:

(E) Class E licenses shall authorize the sale at retail of all types of alcoholic liquor by a banquet or event hall that hosts short term events such as wedding receptions or other similar events, provided that such sales of alcohol shall be for consumption on the premises only.

Number. The total number of Class E liquor licenses issued by the City shall not exceed a total of one (1).

Fees. The Schedule of Fees in Section 13-1-1 of the Aledo City Code is hereby amended as follows (additions are indicated by underline and deletions by ~~strikeout~~):

3-2-8 Class B, C, ~~and D,~~ and E liquor licenses 1,100.00 Per year, prorated

The second reading to be held on Monday, February 4, 2019 at 6:30 o'clock p.m. in the City Council Chambers.

RESOLUTION NO. 06R, SERIES OF 2019; OF THE CITY OF ALEDO, MERCER COUNTY, ILLINOIS ABATING THE 2018 LEVY PERTAINING TO THE GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS (ALTERNATE REVENUE SOURCE), SERIES 2014:

Motion was made by ALDERMAN BERTRAND and seconded by ALDERMAN COOPER to approve Resolution No. 06R, Series of 2019; A Resolution of the City of Aledo, Mercer County, Illinois Abating the 2018 Levy Pertaining to the General Obligation Refunding Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series of 2014. A Roll call vote was recorded as follows:

YES: Holmes, Kopp, Bertrand, Chausse, Cooper, and Doherty. NO: None. Motion carried. 6 yeas, 0 nays.

RESOLUTION NO. 07R, SERIES OF 2019; APPROVING AN AGREEMENT GOVERNING PARTICIPATION BY THE CITY OF ALEDO POLICE DEPARTMENT IN THE HENRY AND MERCER COUNTY INVESTIGATIVE TASK FORCE:

Motion was made by ALDERMAN CHAUSSE and seconded by ALDERMAN KOPP to approve Resolution No. 07R, Series of 2019; Approving an Agreement Governing Participation by the City of Aledo Police Department in the Henry and Mercer County Investigative Task Force. A Roll call vote was recorded as follows:

YES: Kopp, Bertrand, Chausse, Cooper, Doherty, and Holmes. NO: None. Motion carried. 6 yeas, 0 nays.

RESOLUTION NO. 08R, SERIES OF 2019; AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF ALEDO, ILLINOIS AND 353 COURT LLC FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF A DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION STRATEGY:

Motion was made by ALDERMAN DOHERTY and seconded by ALDERMAN BERTRAND to approve Resolution No. 08R, Series of 2019; Authorizing an Agreement between the City of Aledo, Illinois and 353 Court LLC for the Development and

Implementation of a Downtown Revitalization Strategy; Fees for work performed in accordance to this downtown revitalization strategy agreement is \$103,125; amount includes travel and expenses related to time and labor costs, eleven (11) equal installments of \$9,375 are to be paid on the 1st of each month starting February 1, 2019. A Roll call vote was recorded as follows:

YES: Bertrand, Chausse, Cooper, Doherty, Holmes, and Kopp. NO: None. Motion carried. 6 yeas, 0 nays.

MOTION APPROVING A CEMETERY TRANSFER REQUEST BY ROBERT HARMON TO EXCHANGE BLOCK SEVEN (7), GRAVE SPACE(S) ONE (1) AND SIXTEEN (16), IN THE SIXTH (6TH) ADDITION OF THE ALEDO CEMETERY TO LOT NO. FIVE HUNDRED EIGHTEEN (518), GRAVE SPACE(S) FIVE (5) AND SIX (6) IN THE SIXTH ADDITION OF THE ALEDO CEMETERY:

Motion was made by ALDERMAN KOPP and seconded by ALDERMAN HOLMES to accept the cemetery transfer request as presented. A Roll call vote was recorded as follows:

YES: Chausse, Cooper, Doherty, Holmes, Kopp, and Bertrand. NO: None. Motion carried. 6 yeas, 0 nays.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS: Personnel Committee meeting to be held on Tuesday, January 29, 2019 at 6:00 o'clock p.m. in the City Council Chambers.

Ordinance & Police Committee meeting to be held on Tuesday, January 29, 2019 at 6:15 o'clock p.m. in the City Council Chambers.

OLD BUSINESS: No Report.

NEW BUSINESS: No Report.

CLOSED SESSION:

Motion was made by ALDERMAN CHAUSSE and seconded by ALDERMAN COOPER to adjourn to closed session to discuss:

- A. Purchase of Real Property Section 2(c)(5) Open Meetings Act.

A Roll call vote was recorded as follows:

YEAS: Cooper, Doherty, Holmes, Kopp, Bertrand, and Chausse. NO: None. Motion carried. 6 yeas, 0 nays. The meeting was recessed to closed session at 6:50 P.M.

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION:

Council reconvened in open session at 6:59 P.M. Roll call was taken with the following answering present: ALDERMEN BERTRAND, CHAUSSE, COOPER, DOHERTY, HOLMES, and KOPP, MAYOR HAGLOCH, as well as, CHIEF SULLIVAN, DPW BLASER, and CITY CLERK DALE.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, motion was made by ALDERMAN KOPP and seconded by ALDERMAN CHAUSSE that the meeting be adjourned. A Unanimous voice vote followed in agreement. Meeting was adjourned at 6:59 P.M.

Jarod Dale, City Clerk

Minutes approved by Council action February 04, 2019.

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