

The City Council of the City of Aledo met in Regular Session in the Council Chambers of the City Hall building on April 01, 2019. MAYOR HAGLOCH called the meeting to order at 6:31 P.M. The roll was called, whereupon the following answered present:

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

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, Rock Island Argus and Aledo Times Record, and John Hoscheidt, WRMJ.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

The meeting was opened in prayer by ALD. Chausse.

Appearances: No Report.

Communication & Correspondence: No Report.

Requests & Petitions: No Report.

Public Works Activity Report:

- *Streets:* clean and organize the PW garage; finished servicing mowers; filling potholes; attended JULIE training video meeting; and fairgrounds road has returned to normal, believed it was still just frost in the ground causing the hump.
- *Water:* JULIE’s; Water/Wastewater Worker attended Class “B” Water Operator Class; painting and daily maintenance at WTP; attended JULIE training.
- *Gas:* JULIE’s; presented JULIE training; attended annual GUA meeting in Effingham, IL; plumbing inspection at Bowlyou’s Ice Cream & Grill; and assisted Cemetery Division and Water Division.
- *Cemetery:* Three (3) funerals occurred. Started grounds clean-up; removed the dilapidated fence on the east end of the Cemetery; and attended JULIE training.
- *DPW:* met with Bowlyou’s Ice Cream & Grill to review interior plumbing and water damage repairs; conference call with Bluestem for solar study; completed job descriptions; began annual employee evaluations; met with Hutchison Engineering to address the six (6) blocks of SW 5th Street; toured Button Building with 353 Court; assisted Klingner & Associates with the Public Pool Assessment; attended monthly ILLOWA meeting; JULIE training; and City Hall Interior Renovation job meeting. Building permits and property maintenance code work orders have started coming in.

Aledo Police Department Activity Report: CHIEF Sullivan reported Sgt. Baker has returned to work on light-duty status. He will be supervising officers and reviewing reports.

CHIEF reported Officer Brown completed his 40-hour Mandatory Firearms Training. The class was held in Peoria, IL., on March 26th. He will begin the FTO program this week. Officer Brown is still attending the Southwestern Illinois Police Academy in Belleville, Illinois.

CHIEF reported Officer LeClere will be attending additional Evidence and Property Management training in April.

The Mercer County Family Crisis Center will be holding the annual Blue Kids Walk on Saturday, May 4th at 9:00 a.m. in Central Park. The Department will be assisting with the walk again this year. Blue Kids is a fundraiser and the proceeds are used to pay for pediatric counseling for children from Aledo and throughout Mercer County. The Family Crisis Center works hand-in-hand with the Department and provides vital services to this community that would otherwise not be available.

CHIEF reported the next DEA-sponsored National Drug Take Back event is scheduled for Saturday, April 27, 2019. A collection site will be located in the Police Department garage facility.

Administration Report: CITY CLERK Dale provided monthly information regarding Utility Billing and Payroll. The quarterly reports for sales tax revenue and building permits were also presented. Also, CITY CLERK reported the GIS has been updated with the current property information from the Supervisor of Assessments office.

CITY CLERK updated the super-agent within GEMS from National Public Gas Agency to Utility Gas Management. Mr. Ragan will have the ability to begin nominating for Aledo effective April 1.

CITY CLERK reported employee appraisals were completed for the Administrative Staff.

CITY CLERK reported the Incode Upgrade / Migration took place mid-March to v.9.1. Platinum Information Services assisted in the process and the install of the upgraded server.

CITY CLERK reported the twenty-four (24) annexation ordinances approved by Aledo City Council on March 18th were recorded in the Mercer County Clerk's office on March 25th. Certified notice was sent to the Mercer County Clerk and the US Postmaster as well.

Mayor's Report: MAYOR Hagloch reported after the Bluestem Conference call in March, a presentation is tentatively scheduled to be held in late April or beginning of May. MAYOR reported 353 Court, LLC will be attending the next Network @ Noon held

by Aledo Main Street to give a presentation and introduction to 353. They have also been conducting building inventory and meeting with downtown business owners as well.

Committee Report: No Report.

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 March 18, 2019 as presented. A Roll call vote was recorded as follows:

YES: Bertrand, Bewley, Chausse, Cooper, Doherty, Holmes, and Kopp. NO: None.
Motion carried. 7 yeas, 0 nays.

FINANCE: INVOICE LIST:

Motion was made by ALDERMAN BERTRAND and seconded by ALDERMAN CHAUSSE that the Invoice Listing, which has been marked Exhibit “B”, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes, be authorized and checks issued. A Roll call vote was recorded as follows:

YES: Bewley, Chausse, Cooper, Doherty, Holmes, Kopp, and Bertrand. NO: None.
Motion carried. 7 yeas, 0 nays.

ORDINANCE NO. 32, SERIES OF 2019; AMENDING TITLE 1, CHAPTER 13, SECTION 1, OF THE CITY CODE OF ALEDO, ILLINOIS. (FIRST READING):

ORDINANCE NO. 33, SERIES OF 2019; AMENDING TITLE 1, CHAPTER 15, SECTION 1, OF THE CITY CODE OF ALEDO, ILLINOIS. (FIRST READING)

ORDINANCE NO. 34, SERIES OF 2019; AMENDING TITLE 1, CHAPTER 18, OF THE CITY CODE OF ALEDO, ILLINOIS. (FIRST READING)

Motion was made by ALDERMAN CHAUSSE and seconded by ALDERMAN BERTRAND to waive the 2nd reading regarding Ordinance 32, Series of 2019; Ordinance No. 33, Series of 2019; and, Ordinance No. 34, Series of 2019. A Roll call vote was recorded as follows:

YES: Chausse, Cooper, Doherty, Holmes, Kopp, Bertrand, and Bewley. NO: None.
Motion carried. 7 yeas, 0 nays.

Motion was made by ALDERMAN CHAUSSE and seconded by ALDERMAN BERTRAND to adopt Ordinance 32, Series of 2019; Amending Title 1, Chapter 13, Section 1, of the City Code of Aledo, Illinois; Ordinance No. 33, Series of 2019; Amending Title 1, Chapter 15, Section 1, of the City Code of Aledo, Illinois; and, Ordinance No. 34, Series of 2019; Amending Title 1, Chapter 18, of the City Code of Aledo, Illinois. A Roll call vote was recorded as follows:

YES: Cooper, Doherty, Holmes, Kopp, Bertrand, Bewley, and Chausse. NO: None.
Motion carried. 7 yeas, 0 nays.

MOTION APPROVING CITY SPONSORSHIP – MERCER COUNTY FAMILY CRISIS CENTER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,000:

Motion was made by ALDERMAN DOHERTY and seconded by ALDERMAN COOPER to approve the action item as presented. A Roll call vote was recorded as follows:

YES: Doherty, Holmes, Kopp, Bertrand, Bewley, Chausse, and Cooper. NO: None.
Motion carried. 7 yeas, 0 nays.

MOTION APPROVING A SPECIAL EVENT RACE/WALK – CHAMPIONS 4 CHILDREN WALK TO BE HELD SATURDAY, MAY 4TH, 2019 BEGINNING AT 9:00 O’CLOCK A.M.:

Motion was made by ALDERMAN CHAUSSE and seconded by ALDERMAN KOPP to approve the action item as presented. A Roll call vote was recorded as follows:

YES: Holmes, Kopp, Bertrand, Bewley, Chausse, Cooper, and Doherty. NO: None.
Motion carried. 7 yeas, 0 nays.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS: ALD. Bertrand reported City Staff has been updating job descriptions in recent months. It was suggested by Personnel Chair to send the items directly to City Council and formally adopt by resolution. A formal resolution to be presented at a later date.

OLD BUSINESS: ALD. Chausse inquired on a potential resolution regarding the increased number of vultures perching on the water tower in the SW quadrant of Aledo. Suggestions were voiced to contact the Illinois Department of Natural Resources to get assistance or ideas regarding a resolution. City Staff to reach out to DNR and report back at a later date.

NEW BUSINESS: No Report.

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ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, motion was made by ALDERMAN KOPP and seconded by ALDERMAN BEWLEY that the meeting be adjourned. A Unanimous voice vote followed in agreement. Meeting was adjourned at 6:40 P.M.

Jarod Dale, City Clerk

Minutes approved by Council action April 15, 2019.

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