The City Council of the City of Aledo met in Regular Session in the Council Chambers of the City Hall building on April 02, 2012. MAYOR WILLIAM BREEDEN called the meeting to order at 7:06 P.M. The roll was called, whereupon the following answered present:

Aldermen TAB BALMER, JR., MICHAEL BAUGHER, TERRY BEWLEY, MICHAEL CHAUSSE, BARRY COOPER, JAY DOHERTY, CHRIS HAGLOCH, and PAT RENTFRO.

Also present were TERRY DOVE, City Administrator & Chief of Police, STEPHEN MOLLER, Director of Public Works & Utilities, CYNTHIA DOVE, Economic Director, MARK WALTON, City Attorney, 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 Robert Blackford of The Times Record, Jim Taylor of WRMJ, and Pam Berenger of Rock Island Argus.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

The meeting was opened in prayer by Pastor Gwen Sefrhans, Messiah Lutheran Church.

Appearances: Mercer County Leadership Academy – EDC Dove presented the leadership academy executive summary in the absence of the group for the "Building a Greener Tomorrow by Planting a Tree Today". The project is developed to be a long-term, sustainable public / private partnership. The program seeks to raise awareness in and commitment to replacing trees lost within the Aledo community. EDC noted there would be three (3) phases to the project. The first (1st) being the program launch planned for Saturday, April 21st, 2012, Earth Day Weekend and in partnership with Modern Woodman of America (MWA) and the local MWA youth club. The second (2nd) phase would be to partner with the City of Aledo to promote the value and importance of the "50/50 Tree Program" to the citizens of Aledo, and the third (3rd) phase to cultivate community champions for the project and to promote and build upon the project.

Greg Rychaert and Jason McKenzie, Missman, Inc., appeared before the Council to present the "City of Aledo Sidewalk Renovation" plan for the downtown business district. The plan was completed in the efforts to bring the downtown district into compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and to also enhance the downtown. A six-page plan exhibit was provided to the Council for review and with planning, design, and construction of the presented project a cost estimate was provided of 1.2 to 1.4 million dollars.

Communications & Correspondence: No Report.

Requests & Petitions: No Report.

Administrative Report:

Administration & Aledo Police Department Activity Report: ADMINISTRATOR Dove reported APD would be partnering with Wagner Drugs in participation of National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day, on Saturday, April 28, 2012 from 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. This was noted as an opportunity for community members who have accumulated unwanted, unused prescription drugs, to safely dispose of those medicines. This is a nationwide event sponsored by the Drug Enforcement Administration (EDA). The site will be located in the parking lot behind City Hall and Wagner Drugs.

Public Works: DPW Moller reported the following:

- *Street:* PW Staff will be installing a steel beam at the pump house to allow an overhead door to be installed. Grading complete at Central Park and Hydro seeding overlay was finished. 3-D Concrete scheduled to finish sidewalks at Central Park along South College.
- *Water & Sewer:* No. Five (5) well problems appear to be a lightning strike. Larson Pump and Catani Crane were contacted and after review all indications show a lightning strike was the cause of the damage to the pump. Replacement costs estimated at $9,500.00. The WTP exterior walls were injected with expanding foam for energy conservation and two (2) commercial de-humidifiers were replaced.
- *Gas:* Luke Salmon attended the GUA annual conference in Springfield, IL.
- *Cemetery:* Two (2) funerals to report. Seasonal workers began at the Cemetery.
- *Code Compliance:* complaint was received regarding a fence being installed with no building permit visible. An existing 4' picket fence with a 6' privacy was being replaced. Property owner agreed to apply for permit.

Economic Development Report: EDC Dove reported Administrative staff have made the recommendation that the sidewalk construction project along Route 17 located on the East edge of Aledo be halted and withdraw from the IDAP grant application process. It was noted the economic committee was looking at different options to bring before the Council to consider regarding where sidewalks were in need and after completed the City could set it priorities regarding paths.

Mayor's Report: MAYOR Breeden reported that the City made a presentation to Hall's Shoe Store congratulating the business on 120 years of being a part of the community. MAYOR reported that he recently attended the Exchange Club giving a speech on the state of the City. Other items mentioned by MAYOR Breeden were the current status and review regarding the progression of the Northwest Sanitary sewer project and discussions with Susan Lencioni regarding a new developer for the tax credit senior housing project.

Committee Report: ALD. Cooper reported the Cemetery & Cable T.V. committee met on Tuesday, March 20th, 2012 at 6 o'clock p.m. in the Council Chambers to discuss the following:

- Columbariums: The committee requesting to move forward and invite Pontiac Stone and Monument to continue conversations on the item.
- Cemetery Roads: the Committee requested the roads be repaired and ALD. Cooper noted the item will be discussed more during regular council session.

MAYOR Breeden reported the Tax Increment Financing (TIF) committee meeting scheduled for Wednesday, March 28th, 2012 was postponed and requested the TIF committee meeting be re-scheduled. The Tax Increment Financing (TIF) committee meeting was reset for Tuesday, April 10th, 2012 at 6 o'clock p.m. in the Council Chambers.

A Public Property, Streets & Sidewalk Committee meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, April 10th, 2012 at 6:15 o'clock p.m. in the Council Chambers.

An Ordinance & Police Committee meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, April 18th, 2012 at 6 o'clock p.m. in the Council Chambers.

A Personnel Committee meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, April 18th, 2012 at 6:15 o'clock p.m. in the Council Chambers.

REGULAR COUNCIL SESSION

Following the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag,

ACTION ITEMS

APROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion was made by ALDERMAN BAUGHER and seconded by ALDERMAN BALMER to approve the meeting minutes of March 19, 2012 with the following correction. Roll call vote was recorded as follows:

YES: Balmer, Baugher, Bewley, Chausse, Cooper, Doherty, Hagloch, and Rentfro. NO: None. Motion carried. 8 yeas, 0 nays.

FINANCE: INVOICE LIST:

Motion was made by ALDERMAN HAGLOCH and seconded by ALDERMAN RENTFRO that the Invoice Listing, less the Essig-Motors, Inc. item on page two (2), the Tax Increment Financing (TIF) item(s) on page two (2), which has been marked Exhibit

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

YES: Baugher, Bewley, Chausse, Cooper, Doherty, Hagloch, Rentfro, and Balmer. NO: None. Motion carried. 8 yeas, 0 nays.

Motion was made by ALDERMAN BAUGHER and seconded by ALDERMAN BEWLEY that the Invoice Listing, the Essig-Motors, Inc. item on page two (2), the Tax Increment Financing (TIF) item(s) on page two (2), less the Tax Increment Financing (TIF) item, Electric Pump, on page two (2), which has been marked Exhibit "B", attached hereto and made a part of these minutes, be authorized and checks issued. Roll call vote was recorded as follows:

YES: Bewley, Chausse, Cooper, Rentfro, Baugher, and Balmer. NO: None. ABSTAIN: Doherty and Hagloch. Motion carried. 6 yeas, 0 nays, 2 abstentions.

RESOLUTION NO.11R, SERIES OF 2012; RELEASE OF EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES:

Motion was made by ALDERMAN DOHERTY and seconded by ALDERMAN COOPER to approve Resolution No.11R, Series of 2012; A Resolution regarding the Release of Closed Session Minutes and Destruction of Closed Session Verbatim Recordings. Roll call vote was recorded as follows:

YES: Chausse, Cooper, Doherty, Hagloch, Rentfro, Balmer, Baugher, and Bewley. NO: None. Motion carried. 8 yeas, 0 nays.

ORDINANCE NO. 03, SERIES OF 2012; AMENDMENT TO BURNING REGULATIONS CHAPTER 5, ALEDO MUNICIPAL CODE. (FIRST READING):

Motion was made by ALDERMAN COOPER and seconded by ALDERMAN BEWLEY to waive 2nd reading for Ordinance No. 03, Series of 2012; An Amendment to Burning Regulations Chapter 5, Aledo Municipal Code. Roll Call vote was recorded as follows:

YES: Cooper, Doherty, hagloch, Rentfro, Balmer, Baugher, Bewley, and Chausse. NO: None. Motion carried. 8 yeas, 0 nays.

Motion was made by ALDERMAN COOPER and seconded by ALDERMAN HAGLOCH to adopt Ordinance No. 03, Series of 2012; An Amendment to Burning Regulations Chapter 5, Aledo Municipal Code. Roll Call vote was recorded as follows:

YES: Doherty, hagloch, Rentfro, Balmer, Baugher, Bewley, Chausse, and Cooper. NO: None. Motion carried. 8 yeas, 0 nays.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS – No Report.

OLD BUSINESS –

A. Resolution No.04R, Series of 2012; Agreement for Performance Design and Planning by Missman, Inc. for a Sidewalk Reconstruction Project. (Tabled 02/06/12).

Motion was made by ALDERMAN BALMER and seconded by ALDERMAN BEWLEY to remove from the table Resolution No. 04R, Series of 2012; An Agreement for Performance Design and Planning by Missman, Inc. for a Sidewalk Reconstruction Project. Roll call vote was recorded as follows:

YES: Hagloch, Rentfro, Balmer, Baugher, Bewley, Chausse, Cooper, and Doherty. Motion carried. 8 yeas, 0 nays.

Motion was made by ALDERMAN CHAUSSE to approve Resolution No. 04R, Series of 2012; An Agreement for Performance Design and Planning by Missman, Inc. for a Sidewalk Reconstruction Project. MAYOR Breeden called for a second. There being a lack of second the motion fails.

ALD. Balmer inquired on a traffic study that was previously discussed to be located on NE 2nd Street and 8th Avenue. ADMINISTRATOR Dove reported no actual study had been completed. DPW Moller reported any visual issues for drivers seemed to subside after the take down of two (2) trees located in the area. ALD. Doherty requested a follow-up on discussion for the purchase of a section of the property located on the 200 block of NE 8th Avenue so the City was not held liable. It was noted the item would be discussed further at an upcoming Public Property committee meeting.

NEW BUSINESS –

ALD. Chausse requested an update regarding signage that was to be posted at the refuse site located at the SW lagoon. DPW Moller noted that options were still under review and was open to suggestions. After quick discussion, the Council requested the sign state “No Burn” and to have erected in a highly visual spot for residents to observe.

ALD. Balmer received a complaint regarding traffic on NE 6th Street. Assistant Chief Sponsler took note of the complaint and would review the matter.

ALD. Hagloch inquired about “No Parking” signs at the Aledo Park District’s Northside Ball Diamonds. Concerns were voiced that if vehicles were to park on both sides of the street that it could result in a life safety issue and requested the “No Parking” signs

continue to be in-place and enforced and that the Public Property, Streets & Sidewalks committee review the matter and make a recommendation back to the Council.

DPW Moller reported on discussions had with the Mercer County Highway Department (MCHD) regarding road pavement work. DPW reported an Intergovernmental agreement could be an option for the City regarding the NW Sanitary Sewer project and the replacement of road pavement. DPW estimated the replacement would cost around Eighteen Thousand Dollars ($18,000).

DPW reported the cemetery roads could also be a consideration and included in the Intergovernmental Agreement with the MCHD and made a recommendation to approve with a potential completion date before May 31, 2012. DPW provided estimates of around Fifteen Thousand ($15,000) for the replacement of the road.

MAYOR Breeden requested a consensus form the Council regarding road pavement work for the NW Sanitary Sewer Project and the Cemetery roads and entering into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Mercer County Highway Department. After quick discussion, the Council had a consensus to move forward with both projects and to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Mercer County Highway Department.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, motion was made by ALDERMAN CHAUSSE and seconded by ALDERMAN DOHERTY that the meeting be adjourned. Unanimous voice vote followed in agreement. Meeting was adjourned at 8:05 P.M.

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Jarod Dale, City Clerk

Minutes approved by Council action April 16, 2012.

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Jarod Dale, City Clerk