

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Council Chambers, 805 St. Clair River Drive
Algonac, MI 48001
December 6, 2016
7:00 p.m.
AS APPROVED 12/20/16

A regular meeting of the Algonac City Council was held on Tuesday, December 6, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. and called to order by Mayor Eileen M. Tesch. The meeting was held in City Council Chambers, 805 St. Clair River Drive, Algonac, MI 48001.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Michael Bembas, Mayor Pro-Tem
Irene Bird
Ray Martin
Joe Nugent
Eileen M. Tesch, Mayor
Mark Thompson

Absent: Helen Meldrum

Others: City Manager Alexander, Pam
Clark, Jill Modena, Gale Anthony,
Michelle Landry, Cathy Jones,
Jean Bissett, Curtis McBride,
Amy Delia, Michelle Nolan,
Beth Engel, Diann DeBoyer,
Jacob Skarbek, Maxine
Zamborowski, Robert Scruggs,
City Treasurer Linda Mackie,
Fire Chief Joe Doan, Kathy
Doan, City Clerk Greenia

MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER

Mayor Tesch called for a moment of silent prayer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Tesch led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Pam Clark, 1810 St. Clair River Drive thanked City Manager Alexander and city staff for addressing concerns at 1813 St. Clair River Drive. There was still more to do. She then commented that she had concerns that Mr. Klaassen and Deputy Riddell visited her neighbor, Ms. Modena, regarding this matter.

Beth Engel shared that she was present on behalf of the Rotary. She said that she had called City Manager Alexander and asked if there was a project Rotary could help with. After discussion it was noted that the Dog Park would be a good project. She said they would be taking on fund raising for this project, and added when they had events she hoped to see City Council members present.

Jake Skarbek, 587 Market, spoke to City Council to present and idea for a Pedal Pub. He asked what he needed to do. City Manager Alexander stated he would be happy to meet with Jake and try and get the information he would need to move ahead with this project.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

CO # 12-01-16 Approve City Manager's Report

Motion by Thompson supported by Martin to hear and approve the City Manager's report dated December 2, 2016 as presented. Motion carried.

CO # 12-02-16 Excuse Council Member

Motion by Martin, supported by Bembas to excuse Council Member Meldrum due to sickness. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

The following items were on the Consent Agenda for the December 6, 2016 meeting of the Algonac City Council.

- 1) Consent Agenda
 - a) City Council Minutes
 - 1) Organizational Council Meeting Minutes 11/14/16
 - 2) Regular Council Meeting Minutes 11/15/16
 - b) Communications and Notices
 - c) Departmental Report

CO # 12-03-16 Approve Consent Agenda

Motion by Thompson supported by Martin to approve the Consent Agenda for the December 2, 2016 meeting of the Algonac City Council as presented. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS**Dream Center Proposal**

City Manager Alexander stated that there had been no direct contact from Woodside. However, he was contacted by the owner of the mall where the Goodwill store is vacating. She told him that Woodside had asked if they could move in that store.

NEW BUSINESS**CO # 12-03-16 Review and Approval of FY 15/16 Audit**

**CITY OF ALGONAC
RESOLUTION NUMBER 12-06-16a
Adoption of FY 15/16 Audit**

WHEREAS, the City of Algonac City Council entered into an agreement with the firm of McBride- Manley and Company, P.C. to perform the Audit for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Curtis McBride, a partner in the firm, presented the audit to City Council at the meeting of December 6, 2016;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Algonac City Council hereby receives and files the attached audit for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2016;

Council Member Nugent offered, and Mayor Tesch supported the above resolution:

AYES: Bembas, Bird, Martin, Nugent, Tesch, Thompson

NAYS: None

This resolution is declared adopted by Mayor Eileen M. Tesch on December 6, 2016.

CO # 12-04-16 Approval of Supplemental Audit Report from City Manager

Motion by Bird supported by Martin to receive and file the City Manager's supplemental audit report for FY 15/16 as presented. Motion carried.

CO # 12-05-16 Adoption of Traffic Control Order for Colonial Lane

Motion by Martin supported by Bird to adopt the recommendation of the City Manager to enact Traffic Control Order No. 16-1 for the purpose of prohibit parking on the South side of Colonial Lane. Motion carried.

CO # 12-06-16 Waive Bid Procedure for Generator Repairs

Motion by Thompson supported by Nugent to adopt the recommendation of the City Manager to waive the bid procedure and engage Ainsworth Electric in the quoted amount of \$2,203.26 to complete repairs on the DPW Building generator.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Bembas, Bird, Martin, Nugent, Tesch, Thompson,

NAYS: Motion Carried

CO # 12-07-16 Lions Pool Bathhouse Furnace

Motion by Tesch supported by Bird to approve the proposal from White Heating and Cooling in the amount of \$2,600 to add a programmable furnace and duct work to the Lions Pool lower level bathrooms.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Bird, Martin, Nugent, Tesch, Thompson, Bembas

NAYS: Motion Carried

CO # 12-08-16 MI-MABAS Mutual Aid Agreement

Motion by Thompson supported by Bembas to adopt the recommendation of the City Manager to join the MA-MABAS (Mutual Aid Box Alarm System) thru adoption and execution of the attached agreement. Motion carried.

CO # 12-09-16 Set Special City Council Meeting January 10, 2017

Motion by Martin supported by Bird to approve setting a Special City Council meeting for January 10, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. to hear a presentation from the M.E.R.S. Regional Manager on the December 31, 2016 Actuarial Valuation. Motion Carried.

CO # 12-10-16 Bid Waiver for Water Department Concrete Repair Work

Motion by Thompson supported by Nugent to approve waiving the bid process and authorizing the payment to Johnnie's Concrete Replacement Inc. in the amount of \$1,800 for work done at 906 Columbia.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Martin, Nugent, Tesch, Thompson, Bembas, Bird

NAYS: Motion carried

CO # 12-11-16 Request to Discuss Discover The Blue Event Calendar for 2017

Motion by Bird supported by Tesch to open discussion on Discover The Blue 2017 Event Calendar. Motion carried.

CO #12-12-16 Request to Discuss New Audio/Video Equipment for Council Chambers

Motion by Thompson supported by Bembas to open discussion on new audio/video equipment for City Council Chambers. Motion carried.

City Manager indicated he would get back to the Council in the next 60 days with some ideas on improving the A/V equipment.

CO # 12-13-16 Request to Discussion Thinking Outside the Box, Shipping Containers

Motion by Thompson supported by Nugent to open discussion on Thinking Outside the Box, Shipping Containers. Motion carried.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

CO #12-14-16 Approve Accounts Payable

Motion by Thompson supported by Bird to approve and pay accounts payable and payroll in the amount of \$198,210.10 as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Nugent, Tesch, Thompson, Bembas, Bird, Martin

NAYS: Motion carried.

ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

Council Member Thompson would like to discuss the service contracts that the City has and the possibility of rebidding some of them.

Mayor Tesch asked about the lack of lighting in the parking lot at the Algonac Mall. The city Manager said he would have the Code Enforcement Officer look into this.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mayor Pro-Tem Bembas thanked everyone for attending the meeting. He thanked both Linda and Doug for the great work in keeping our City financially healthy. He thanked whoever did the Christmas decorations in the Council Chambers – they look very nice. He was looking forward to working with Beth Engel raising money for the Dog Park. On January 21, 2017 the Winners Circle Inn would be having a fund raiser for that purpose – he hoped to see everyone there.

Council Member Bird thanked Curtis and Amy for their work on the audit. She then stated that we are very fortunate to have Linda Mackie here as our Treasurer. She is wonderful and works long hours and has been very good for the City. She thanked all the employees for the effort they put forth.

Council Member Thompson said he was very thankful for Linda and Doug and all the employees for keeping our City financially healthy. He reminded everyone that the Tree Lighting was tomorrow. He asked people to start taking pictures of the events in Algonac so we can get them on the Discover the Blue broadcasts.

Council Member Martin thanked McBride Manley for their work on the audit. He thanked City Manager Alexander and City Treasurer Mackie for all the efforts they put into keeping the City in great financial shape. He added that he felt the park looked awesome this year with the decorations.

Council Member Nugent thanked everyone for joining us tonight at the meeting. It means a lot to Council to have them here.

Mayor Tesch thanked everyone for coming. She thanked the auditors for their presentation. She stated she and Council Member Thompson had spoken and had set up a mixer for all the current Chamber of Commerce members and all other businesses that may be interested in joining a Chamber if they stayed in existence. It would be next Monday at Flamingo Grill and start at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

CO #12-15-16 Adjournment

Motion by Bird supported by Thompson to adjourn the meeting at 9:07 p.m.
Motion carried.

Signed:

Respectfully Submitted:

Eileen M. Tesch, Mayor

Cynthia Greenia, Clerk