

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Council Chambers, 805 St. Clair River Drive**  
**Algonac, MI 48001**  
**8/16/16**  
**AS APPROVED 9/6/16**

A regular meeting of the Algonac City Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Irene Bird on Tuesday, August 16, 2016. The meeting was held in City Council Chambers, 805 St. Clair River Drive, Algonac, Mi 48001.

**ROLL CALL:**

**Present:** Michael Bembas  
Irene Bird, Mayor  
Ray Martin  
Mark Thompson, Mayor Pro-Tem  
Gary Tuzinowski

**Absent:** Helen Meldrum  
Joe Nugent

**Others:** Ada Smith, Diane Strevel,  
Rose Ann Perricone, Karen  
Cole, Amanda Gougeon,  
Dawn Davey, Gale Anthony,  
Wanda Edie, Marilynn  
Genaw, Jim Tesch, Cathy  
Jones, Gail Majors, Kathy  
Voihl, Doug Viohl, Michelle  
, Diann DeBoyer, City Clerk Greenia

**EXCUSE CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS**

**CO # 08-13-16 Excuse Council Members**

Motion by Martin, supported by Thompson to excuse City Council members Helen Meldrum and Joe Nugent due to illness. Motion carried.

**MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER**

Mayor Bird called for a moment of silent prayer.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Bird led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Dawn Davey, 710 Smith approached City Council to express her continued concern that the now proposed Woodside Bible Church will eventually become the Dream Center. She felt that Algonac had plenty of programs to help people that wanted help. She noted that she wished Algonac would work with Clay Township and the Algonac Community Schools to bring back the Recreation Program.

Amanda Gougeon asked if any further action had been taken on the investigative powers that City Council once talked about? She still wondered what Mayor Bird and Council Member Nugent knew about those meetings that they were not telling. She added that recently she had seen Dr. Stryker, Township Supervisor Bryson and the would be pastor of the Woodside Bible Church in Algonac commiserating about the status of the building in Algonac. Her response to that was that she felt offended and saddened that the neighboring township supervisor and the school district superintendent seem to be more on the side of the Woodside Bible Church than they are on the City of Algonac's side. It made her feel as though the City was being disrespected.

**CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

**CO # 08-14-16 Approve City Manager's Report**

Motion by Thompson supported by Tuzinowski to approve the City Manager's report of August 12, 2016 as presented. Motion carried.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

The following items were on the Consent Agenda for the August 16, 2016 meeting of the Algonac City Council:

- 1) Consent Agenda
  - a) City Council Minutes
    - 1) Regular Minutes August 2, 2016
  - b) Communications and Notices
  - c) Departmental Report
    - 1) Building and Zoning Enforcement
    - 2) Water Department
    - 3) DPW
    - 4) Fire Department
    - 5) Housing Commission
    - 6) Library

- 7) Financials
- 8) Boards and Commissions Roster
- 9) Calendar for September 2016

### **CO # 08-15-16 Approval of Consent Agenda**

Motion by Tuzinowski supported by Thompson to approve the Consent Agenda as proposed for the August 16, 2016 meeting of the Algonac City Council. Motion carried.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### **Dream Center Proposal**

City Manager Alexander had nothing new to report on the Dream Center.

City Council Member Tuzinowski stated he agreed with Amanda Gougeon, the City seems to be getting no respect from our neighboring Supervisor or the Superintendent of our School system in regards to this matter.

Amanda Gougeon pointed out another example of disrespect was our City Manager being invited to a meeting on the Dream Center 2 hours before it started, then Supervisor Bryson indicating that City Manager Alexander was being included in that meeting.

#### **Seawall Repair Method**

### **CO # 08-16-16 Approve Seawall Repair Method**

Motion by Tuzinowski supported by Bembas to adopt the recommendation of the City Manager and City Engineer to repair the seawall in Riverfront Park using the "King Pile Option 1" repair method as identified in the PCE engineering report dated August 1, 2016 at an estimated cost of \$508,881.

#### **Roll Call vote:**

AYES: Bird, Martin, Thompson, Tuzinowski, Bembas

NAYS: None

Motion Carried

### **CO # 08-17-16 Final Reading and Adoption of Ordinance # 2016-**

Motion by Martin supported by Bembas to approve the final reading and adopt City of Algonac Ordinance # 2016-0 amending Section 17-24 of the Algonac City Code.



NAYS: None

Motion Carried

**CO # 08-21-16 Laboratory Certification Fee**

Motion by Martin supported by Tuzinowski to approve the payment in the amount of \$2,551.87 to the State of Michigan for our Drinking Water Laboratory inspection and renewal certification.

**Roll Call vote:**

AYES: Bird, Martin, Thompson, Tuzinowski, Bembas

NAYS: None

Motion Carried

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

**CO # 08-22-16 Approve Accounts Payable**

Motion by Thompson supported by Tuzinowski to approve accounts payable and payroll in the amount of \$289,971.14.

**Roll Call vote:**

AYES: Bird, Martin, Thompson, Tuzinowski, Bembas

NAYS: None

Motion Carried

**ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA**

**Dream Center Update**

**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Council Member Martin asked for clarification on the outcome of the vote on the proposed ordinance amendment. Clerk Greenia stated it was defeated.

Council Member Tuzinowski stated that the Health Fair held last week at Downriver Medical was very nice. There were lots of free items given away and it was well attended.

He then thanked our Fire Department for their support in the recent explosion of the power plant.

He agreed that he would like to see some money put back in the budget for a Parks and Recreation Program in the next Fiscal Year's Budget.

Finally he noted that while looking through the year end financials it was once again apparent that the City's Administration had done a great job in looking over the finances and continued to make good decisions with the City's money.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

### **CO # 08-23-16 Adjournment**

Motion by Thompson supported by Martin to adjourn the meeting at 7:52 p.m. Motion carried.

Signed:

Respectfully Submitted:

Irene Bird, Mayor

Cynthia L. Greenia, Clerk