

**ALTOONA CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY – SEPTEMBER 8, 2010 - 7:00 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS - 1320 WASHINGTON AVENUE, ALTOONA, PA**

The meeting was televised live on cable Public Access Channel 14 and rebroadcast Thursday, September 9, 2010.

CALL TO ORDER – by Mayor Schirf at 7:00 PM in Council Chambers.

SILENT MEDITATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL – taken by City Clerk Linda Rickens Schellhammer

Present: Councilmen Butterbaugh, Cagle, Geis, Mills, Neugebauer and Mayor Schirf and Councilman Kelley by telephone

PRESENTATIONS - none

ALL PUBLIC COMMENT- Joe Brown of the Blair Bedford Builders, Hollidaysburg, PA asked if there were any updates regarding the Electrical Inspector position

MANAGER’S REPORT – the Manager’s Report was distributed previously; there were no questions or comments at this time on the report

reminder to Council of the Strategic Planning meeting on Monday, Sept. 13 at 6pm at City Hall

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilman Geis attended the MPO meeting and the City got 122,000 of the 125,000 for the Sidewalks, Oak to 5th Ave Alley

Councilman Geis thanked Pyramid for their clean up help after the Cruise In

Councilman Neugebauer announced the Patriot Day Ceremony at Heritage Plaza on 9/11 at 8:30 with a Proclamation by the Mayor and sponsored by Blair County Community Action Agency

Mayor Schirf complimented all on their work downtown on all of the Labor Day weekend events and the events held throughout the summer

RESOLUTIONS

a) approving the minutes of the Altoona City Council Meeting held Wednesday, August 25, 2010. (0142-10)

b) approving the Repository Bid submitted by Julie Mort of 1041 McGlaughlin Road, Fairfield, PA for the property located at 2027-31 12th Avenue, Altoona, PA, Control No. 012-172650, in the amount of \$100.00 and further authorizing City Manager Joseph F. Weakland to execute all documents and the City Clerk to attest to same. (0143-10)

c)authorizing City Manager Joseph F. Weakland to enter into an additional three year lease agreement extension with Blair County Community Action Agency for the lease of the Stationary Rail Car located at Heritage Plaza in the amount of \$1.00 per year from January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2012 and for the City Clerk to attest to same. (0144-10)

d)awarding the City Hall Accessible Entrance Door Opener Project Bid to Glass Mender Mirror & Plate Division of 308 N. 10th Street, Altoona, PA in the amount of \$7,970.00 payable from CDBG Funds and further authorizing City Manager Joseph F. Weakland to execute all documents and the City Clerk to attest to same. (0145-10)

e)awarding Street Sign Materials Bids for Item 1-Sign Blanks to Custom Products Corp. of P.O. Box 54091 Jackson, MS in the amount of \$22,633.85 payable from Highway Aid and further authorizing City Manager Joseph F. Weakland to execute all documents and the City Clerk to attest to same. (0146-10)

f)awarding Street Sign Materials Bids for Item 2-Sign Faces and Item 3-Reflective Sheeting to Garden State Highway Products, Inc. of 1740 East Oak road Vineland, NJ in the amount of \$39,782.98 payable from Highway Aid and further authorizing City Manager Joseph F. Weakland to execute all documents and the City Clerk to attest to same. (0147-10)

g)awarding Street Sign Materials Bids for Item 4-Telespars/Pilots/Posts and Item 5-Bolts and Nuts to Chemung Supply Corp. of P.O. Box 527 Elmira, NY in the amount of \$27,985.00 payable from Highway Aid and further authorizing City Manager Joseph F. Weakland to execute all documents and the City Clerk to attest to same. (0148-10)

h)awarding Street Sign Materials Bids for Item 6-Miscellaneous to Hall Signs of 4495 West Vernal Pike, Bloomington, IN the amount of \$4,001.80 payable from Highway Aid and further authorizing City Manager Joseph F. Weakland to execute all documents and the City Clerk to attest to same. (0149-10)

i)awarding the Windows at Fire Station No. 1 Project Bids to J C Orr & Sons, Inc. of 438 7th Avenue, Altoona, PA in the amount of \$34,939.00 payable from the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) Fund and further authorizing City Manager Joseph F. Weakland to execute all documents and the City Clerk to attest to same. (0150-10)

j)rejecting all bids received for the Roofing at Fire Station No. 1 Bid Project as the bids received were not in the best interest of the City. (0151-10)

the resolutions were read by the City Clerk; resolution I and j were added to the agenda; the floor was opened to public comment and there was no public comment on resolution I or j; the consent vote was taken on all items and passed 7 to 0; Councilman Kelley was voting by telephone and all others were present in Council Chambers

DISCUSSION ITEMS – Councilman Geis asked about the Gateway project sidewalks; Joe Weakland stated the concept is to address the sidewalks coming into the City on either end stating that Council may decide to add the rest later on

Councilman Geis stated there is still an issue on Race Street with trucks even though the signs are posted; Joe Weakland stated the Police will continue to monitor and ticket

Councilman Butterbaugh asked if the damage to Race Street warrants new pavement once the 31st street bridge project is complete; Dave Diedrich stated it is not eligible under PennDOT criteria

MEDIA – Bill Kibler, *Altoona Mirror*; Chris Forshey, WRTA Radio

ADJOURNMENT – by Mayor Schirf at 7:30 p.m.