

ALTOONA CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
WEDNESDAY – MAY 27, 2015 - 7:00 P.M.  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS - 1320 WASHINGTON AVENUE, ALTOONA, PA

The meeting was televised live on cable Public Access Channel 14 and re-broadcast Thursday, May 28, 2015.

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

SILENT MEDITATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL – taken by City Clerk Linda Rickens Schellhammer

Present: Councilmen Butterbaugh, Cacciotti, Cagle, Haire, Kelley, Neugebauer and Mayor Pacifico

Presentations – a Proclamation recognizing Public Works Week was presented by Mayor Pacifico to Public Works Director Dave Diedrich

Police Department Annual Report – Chief Janice Freehling provided a power point presentation which can be viewed by going to [www.altoonapa.gov](http://www.altoonapa.gov)

Monthly Financial Review – Omar Strohm, Finance Director, provided the April report stating the numbers are behind on property taxes in comparison to this time last year

ALL PUBLIC COMMENT

Bill Bravin of 2209 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Altoona, PA asked Council if there is any interest in a grocery store in downtown Altoona or any action being taken

MANAGER'S REPORT – the MIM was distributed previously and there were no further questions

RESOLUTIONS

a) approving the minutes of the Altoona City Council Meeting held Wednesday, May 13, 2015. (0057-15)

b) authorizing a transfer from the Goodman Trust Fund to the following organizations in the following amounts for the recreation projects attached hereto. (0058-15)

c) approving the Repository Bid submitted by David Coldwell of 1604 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Altoona, PA for property located at 1608 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Altoona, PA, (map no. 0103-08-4) (control no. 11-311700) in the amount of \$50.00 and further authorizing the City Manager to execute all documents and the City Clerk to

attest to same. (0059-15)

d) approving the Repository Bid submitted by David Hufford of 707 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, Altoona, PA for property located at 709 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, Altoona, PA, (map no. 01.02-07..-059.00-000) (control no. 12-51360) in the amount of \$50.00 and further authorizing the City Manager to execute all documents and the City Clerk to attest to same. (0060-15)

e) authorizing the City Manager to sign all Highway Occupancy (HOP) applications and agreements on behalf of the City of Altoona and the City Clerk to attest to same. (0061-15)

Councilman Cacciotti discussed the Goodman Trust recommendation prior to the vote and asked for reconsideration of the recommendation; Council held a discussion and changed the recommendation and fully funded six of the seven projects; it was determined that the playground equipment project for WE Care Therapy did not meet the requirements of the trust document

Mayor Pacifico re-opened the meeting to the floor for public comment on the on the Goodman Trust recommendation; there was no public comment given

The resolutions were read by City Clerk Linda Rickens Schellhammer and the consent vote was taken on all items and passed 7 to 0 with all present

#### Adoption - Councilman Butterbaugh

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ALTOONA AMENDING THE CODE OF THE CITY OF ALTOONA, BLAIR COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, BY AMENDING CHAPTER 15 KNOWN AS "AUTHORITIES, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS" BY ADDING A NEW ARTICLE XI TO CHAPTER 15, TO BE ENTITLED "ALTOONA GENERAL AUTHORITY" PROVIDING FOR: THE INTENTION AND DESIRE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTOONA TO ORGANIZE A MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THE MUNICIPALITY AUTHORITIES ACT OF 2001, AS AMENDED AND SUPPLEMENTED, TO BE KNOWN AS THE "ALTOONA GENERAL AUTHORITY"; SETTING FORTH THE FORM OF THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION; APPOINTING THE FIRST MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF THE AUTHORITY; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND FILING OF THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION; AUTHORIZING THE TAKING OF ALL SUCH ACTION AS MAY BE NECESSARY OR APPROPRIATE TO ORGANIZE SAID AUTHORITY; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (ORD. 5664)

This ordinance was read by City Clerk Linda Rickens Schellhammer  
Introduction – Councilman Butterbaugh

Motion for Adoption – Mayor Pacifico

Second – Councilman Haire

The vote was taken by City Clerk Linda Rickens Schellhammer and passed 7 to 0 with all present

Adoption - Councilman Butterbaugh

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ALTOONA AMENDING THE CODE OF THE CITY OF ALTOONA TO REVISE THE TITLE OF CHAPTER 405 TO NOW BE ENTITLED "LEASEAND/OR CONVEYANCE OF CITY OWNED LANDS", TO: AUTHORIZE CONVEYANCE OF THE FOLLOWING CITY OWNED LANDS TO THE ALTOONA REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR \$1.00: 803 8TH AVENUE; 715 8TH STREET REAR; 711-13 8TH STREET REAR; 1830 AND 1832 14TH AVENUE; REPEAL ALL OTHER ORDINANCES OR PARTS THEREOF IN CONFLICT THEREWITH; PROVIDE SEVERABILITY OF PROVISIONS AND PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (ORD. NO 5665)

This ordinance was read by City Clerk Linda Rickens Schellhammer

Introduction – Councilman Butterbaugh

Motion for Adoption – Councilman Haire

Second – Mayor Pacifico

The vote was taken by City Clerk Linda Rickens Schellhammer and passed 7 to 0 with all present

DISCUSSION ITEMS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Act 47 – Councilman Haire asked about an annual report; City Manager Marla Marcinko stated staff is meeting with the Act 47 team on June 10th and there will be more information regarding an annual report following this meeting

CBRC – the ribbon cutting was held for the new spray park; once school ends the park will be open daily from 11 to 7 through Labor Day; Councilman Cagle thanked all that were a part of this project

MEDIA – media attendance included Bill Kibler, *Altoona Mirror*, Ben Manning and Ashley Dorzbacher WTAJ TV-10

ADJOURNMENT – by Mayor Pacifico at 8:00 pm