

ALTOONA CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
WEDNESDAY – DECEMBER 7, 2016 – 7:00 P.M.  
CITY OF ALTOONA TRAINING FACILITY & COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
1320 WASHINGTON AVENUE, ALTOONA, PA

The meeting was televised live on cable Public Access Channel 14 and re-broadcast Thursday, December 8, 2016.

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: Council members Butterbaugh, Cacciotti, Cagle, Haire, Jordan, Neugebauer and Mayor Pacifico

PRESENTATIONS – none

PUBLIC COMMENT – offered and none given

RESOLUTIONS

a) approving the minutes of the Altoona City Council Meeting held Wednesday, November 9, 2016. (0130-16)

b) authorizing an application for a Multimodal Transportation Fund Grant with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for approximately 3,500 feet of curb and sidewalk replacement, together with handicap ramps, bike lane and traffic calming along Beale Avenue (designated as State Route 36 North) from 24<sup>th</sup> Street to Union Avenue and Union Avenue from Beale Avenue to Margaret Avenue in the amount of \$1,231,775.00 with \$862,242.50 payable from the Grant and \$369,532.50 payable from City Capital Funds and further authorizing the City Manager (or Acting City Manager in the City Manager's absence) to execute all documents and the City Clerk (or Deputy City Clerk in the City Clerk's absence) to attest to same. (0131-16)

c) awarding the Request for Proposal for Independent Auditing Services for the City of Altoona for the years 2016, 2017, and 2018, including an audit of the Federal Housing and Community Development Funds, to Young, Oakes, Brown and Company of Altoona, PA, and further authorizing the City Manager to execute all documents and the City Clerk to attest to same. (0132-16)

d) approving the City Council Meeting Schedule attached hereto, for the year 2017, in accordance with the Home Rule Charter and Administrative Code of the City of Altoona. (0133-16)

e) authorizing an agreement between the Altoona Police Department, Altoona-Logan Township Mobile Medical Emergency Department Authority (AMED) and AMED Medical Director Shaun Sheehan, DO, which authorizes the Altoona Police Department to obtain and use a supply of the opioid reversal medication Naloxone and further authorizing the City Manager to execute the agreement and the City

Clerk to attest to same. (0134-16)

City Clerk Linda Rickens Schellhammer read the resolutions into the record; a consent vote was taken by the City Clerk on all items and passed 7 to 0 with all present

## ORDINANCES

### Adoption – The Governing Body

1)AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ALTOONA, IN THE COUNTY OF BLAIR, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, APPROPRIATING SPECIFIC SUMS ESTIMATED TO BE REQUIRED FOR THE SPECIFIC PURPOSES OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT, HEREINAFTER SET FORTH, DURING THE YEAR 2017. (2017 BUDGET ORDINANCE) ORD. NO. 5688

This ordinance was read into the record by City Clerk Linda Rickens Schellhammer.

Introduction – The Governing Body

Motion for Adoption – Mayor Pacifico

Second – Councilman Neugebauer

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

### Adoption – The Governing Body

2)AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ALTOONA AMENDING THE CODE OF THE CITY OF ALTOONA CHAPTER 646 ENTITLED "TAXATION" BY AMENDING ARTICLE VIII ENTITLED, "EARNED INCOME AND NET PROFITS TAX", TO LEVY A TAX ON EARNED INCOME AND NET PROFITS OF RESIDENTS OF THE CITY OF ALTOONA AT THE FOLLOWING RATES FOR 2017: ONE PERCENT (1%) FOR GENERAL REVENUE PURPOSES BY AUTHORITY OF THE LOCAL TAX ENABLING ACT (ACT 511); TWO TENTHS OF ONE PERCENT (0.20%) FOR GENERAL REVENUE PURPOSES BY AUTHORITY OF THE HOME RULE CHARTER AND OPTIONAL PLANS LAW; AND FOUR TENTHS OF ONE PERCENT (0.4%) TO DEFRAID COSTS RELATED TO THE PENSION PLANS OF THE CITY OF ALTOONA BY AUTHORITY OF THE MUNICIPAL PENSION PLAN FUNDING STANDARD AND RECOVERY ACT (ACT 205). IN ADDITION, SAID ORDINANCE WILL LEVY A TAX ON EARNED INCOME AND NET PROFITS OF CERTAIN NONRESIDENTS WHO WORK IN THE CITY OF ALTOONA AT THE FOLLOWING RATES: ONE PERCENT (1%) FOR GENERAL REVENUE PURPOSES BY AUTHORITY OF THE LOCAL TAX ENABLING ACT (ACT 511); ONE TENTH OF ONE PERCENT (0.10%) FOR GENERAL REVENUE PURPOSES BY AUTHORITY OF ACT 47; AND FOUR TENTHS OF ONE PERCENT (0.4%) TO DEFRAID COSTS RELATED TO THE PENSION PLANS OF THE CITY OF ALTOONA BY AUTHORITY OF THE MUNICIPAL PENSION PLAN FUNDING STANDARD AND RECOVERY ACT (ACT 205). SAID ORDINANCE WILL CONTINUE TO REQUIRE TAX

RETURNS; REQUIRE EMPLOYERS TO WITHHOLD AND REMIT TAX; CONTAINS DEFINITIONS, REFERENCES APPLICABLE STATUTES, DESIGNATES A TAX COLLECTOR, ESTABLISHES INTEREST, PENALTIES, COSTS AND FINES, PROVIDES FOR SEVERABILITY, A PURPOSE, AND, ESTABLISHES AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (2017 EIT ORDINANCE) ORD. NO. 5689

This ordinance was read into the record by City Clerk Linda Rickens Schellhammer.

Introduction – The Governing Body

Motion for Adoption – Vice-Mayor Haire

Second – Councilman Butterbaugh

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

Adoption – The Governing Body

3)AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ALTOONA, COUNTY OF BLAIR, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA ESTABLISHING THE INITIAL RATE OF 4.663 MILLS FOR ALL REAL ESTATE SUBJECT TO TAXATION FOR THE YEAR 2017; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (2017 INITIAL TAX MILLAGE ORDINANCE) ORD. NO. 5690

This ordinance was read into the record by City Clerk Linda Rickens Schellhammer.

Introduction – The Governing Body

Motion for Adoption – Councilman Butterbaugh

Second – Vice-Mayor Haire

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

Adoption – The Governing Body

4)AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ALTOONA, COUNTY OF BLAIR, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA ADDING AN ADDITIONAL .466 MILLS TO THE INITIAL TAX RATE OF 4.663 MILLS ON ALL REAL ESTATE SUBJECT TO TAXATION FOR THE YEAR 2017 THEREBY ESTABLISHING THE FINAL TAX RATE OF 5.129 MILLS ON ALL SUCH REAL ESTATE; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (2017 FINAL TAX MILLAGE ORDINANCE) ORD. NO. 5691

This ordinance was read into the record by City Clerk Linda Rickens Schellhammer.

Introduction – The Governing Body

Motion for Adoption – Mayor Pacifico

Second – Councilman Neugebauer

The vote was taken by City Clerk Linda Rickens Schellhammer and passed

7 to 0 with all present.

MAYOR & COUNCIL DISCUSSION ITEMS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS – Mayor Pacifico offered a welcome home to Fire Chief Tim Hileman and thanked Chief Hileman for his service to our Country over the last year. Chief Hileman received a standing ovation from all in attendance.

Councilman Neugebauer stated the Christmas Parade was great and well attended and he thanked the Brad Slep of the *Altoona Mirror* for the use of the newspaper bags to hold the candy

Councilman Cagle thanked staff for a great year and wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

MEDIA – media attendance included Bill Kibler, *Altoona Mirror*

ADJOURNMENT – by Mayor Pacifico at 7:25 p.m.