

CITY OF ALTOONA, WI
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
March 25, 2021

(I) Call Meeting to Order

Mayor Brendan Pratt called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The Regular Council Meeting was held via Zoom Teleconference/Video conference due to Coronavirus COVID-19.

(II) Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Pratt led the Common Council and others in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

(III) Roll Call

City Clerk Cindy Bauer called the roll. Mayor Brendan Pratt, Council Members Dale Stuber, Timothy Lima, Maria Guzman, Matt Biren, Tim Sexton and Susan Rowe were present. Also Present: Attorney Ben Ludeman, City Administrator Michael Golat, Police Chief Kelly Bakken, Management Analyst Roy Atkinson, and City Clerk Cindy Bauer.

(IV) Citizen Participation Period

Jeff Goettl, 2120 Moonlight Bay Drive, Altoona, commented on citizen participation via phone or computer. Goettl suggested offering technical assistance to those wishing to participate/speak.

The following people commented on the Proposed Lake Road Townhome Project:

Natalia Ripeckyj, 1304 Lake Road, Altoona

Emily Blaskey, 2004 E. Willson Drive, Altoona.

Heather Pauls, 1628 Lake Road, Altoona.

Amanda Jagla, 199 Park Road, Altoona.

Kristy Goettl, 2120 Moonlight Bay Drive.

Jeremy Nimz, 199 Park Road, Altoona.

Motion by Rowe/Biren to extend the Citizen Participation Period. **Motion carried.**

Arlene Kozenka, 536 Lake Road, Altoona, commented on the Proposed Lake Road Townhome Project.

There being no other Citizen Participation, motion by Biren/Rowe to close the Citizen Participation Period. **Motion carried.**

(V) Approval of minutes.

Motion by Rowe/Stuber to approve the minutes of the March 11, 2021 Regular Council Meeting.

Motion carried.

(VI) City Officers/Department Heads Report

Police Chief Kelly Bakken commented that there has recently been an increase in traffic complaints.

City Committee Reports – None.

(VII) Consent Agenda

(1) Discuss/consider approval of Eric Carlson as the new Agent for Kwik Trip Inc., DBA as Kwik Trip #828, located at 2367 Spooner Avenue, Altoona.

Motion by Rowe/Biren to approve Consent Agenda 1. **Motion carried.**

(VIII) Unfinished Business – None.

(IX) New Business

(1) Discuss/consider Preliminary Plat for River Prairie Townhomes. (Public hearing at the March 23, 2021 Special Plan Commission Meeting).

This Item was removed from the agenda on Wednesday, March 24, 2021.

(IX)(2) Discuss/consider approval of Ordinance 3B-21, an Ordinance amending Chapter 2.32 of the Altoona Municipal Code “Police Department” to update Chapter 2.32 and include reference from repealed Chapter 10.37 “Disposal of Abandoned Bicycles”.

Police Chief Kelly Bakken explained that City staff is recommending updates to Chapter 2.32 of the Altoona Municipal Code including changing the language in Sections 2.32.020 and 2.32.060 to refer to the police chief and police officers as non-gender specific positions. Bakken also suggested the addition of Section 2.32.050 “Disposal of abandoned property”. The addition of Section 2.32.050 will allow the police department discretion in how to dispose of abandoned property. Currently, state statute allows for the disposal via public auction, this ordinance will allow for public auction, donation, or city use.

Motion by Stuber/Lima to approve Ordinance 3B-21, an Ordinance amending Chapter 2.32. **Motion carried.**

(IX)(3) Discuss/consider approval of Ordinance 3C-21, an Ordinance Repealing Chapter 10.37 “Disposal of Abandoned Bicycles” and reference under Chapter 2.32 “Police Department”.

Police Chief Bakken explained that City staff has been working on updating ordinances and are suggesting that Chapter 10.37 of the Altoona Municipal Code “Disposal of Abandoned Bicycles” be repealed. Abandoned bicycles will be covered in the suggested amendments to Chapter 2.32.

Motion by Biren/Rowe to approve Ordinance 3C-21, an Ordinance Repealing Chapter 10.37. **Motion carried.**

(X) Miscellaneous Business and Communication.

(XI) Adjournment.

Motion by Rowe/Stuber to adjourn at 6:39 p.m. **Motion carried.**

Minutes submitted by Cindy Bauer, City Clerk