



Minutes of the Regular City Council Session – June 05, 2023

The City Council of the City of Aledo met in Regular Session in the Council Chambers at the Aledo City Hall building on June 05, 2023. MAYOR HAGLOCH called the meeting to order at 6:37 P.M. The roll was called, whereupon the following answered present:

Aldermen MICHAEL CHAUSSE, BARRY COOPER, DENNIS DIXON, JAY DOHERTY, MARK FRIESE, LINDA SARABASA, and ANDREW WEEKS. Mayor CHRISTOPHER HAGLOCH.

Also present was JUSTIN BLASER, Director of Public Works & Utilities, and JOY COULTER, Deputy City Clerk.

The media was represented by Jim Taylor, WRMJ.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Public Comment: No Public Comment

Communication & Correspondence: MCBT requested support at a level of \$1.25 per resident.

Requests & Petitions:

Public Works Activity Report:

- *Streets:* Daily checks, tasks, JULIE's, and work orders continue. Poured sidewalk at Craig Zenk residence, Rhubarb Fest prep; Memorial Day Prep.
- *Gas:* Daily checks, tasks, JULIE's, inspections and finals continue. Finished temp services for the Knox Alley project; update mapping; removed two services in the Salmon trailer park; test underground emergency valves.
- *Water:* Daily checks, tasks, JULIE's and work orders continue. Weed spraying at towers, lagoons, plant and cemetery; SCADA upgrade research; various sewer inspections.
- *Cemetery:* Daily tasks continue. Memorial Day Prep; Two (2) funerals occurred.
- *DPW:* Rhubarb Fest Prep; Tobola restaurant occupancy and plumbing inspection; 8hr NEC training class on 5/25; TIF Property Committee meeting on 5/25; WTP SCADA research. I spoke with Rob Hilsabeck with the IDNR, he is planning on a visit in June for Sponsler's pond vegetation treatment and to perform another fish inventory.

Aledo Police Department Activity Report: CITY CLERK Dale provided reporting for the Aledo Police Department.



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Administrative Report: CITY CLERK Dale was out of office for vacation beginning June 4 – 12, 2023. He provided the following information:

Utility Billing & Payroll: He provided reporting for payroll and utility billing for the month of May, 2023.

ANR Rate Case: Refunds came through on May 31st from the ANR Rate Case. A total of \$159,211.96 was refunded to the City of Aledo. This will go back into the Gas Fund.

City Administrator: The City solicited applications for the position of City Administrator beginning mid-April through June 1. A total of 15 resumes/applications were submitted for that position. Interview process will start after CITY CLERK Dale returns from vacation.

Interim Chief: The Mayor, Ald. Chausse and City Clerk held a phone conference with one of the applicants for Interim. Due to his summer schedule it was going to be difficult for him to help assist the PD. But, he did provide the city with an alternative who is retired from the City of Moline. We have been in communication with him and he voiced interest in the position. Follow-up will be done in the next week or two.

TIF: City Staff continues to work with Aaron Young “Developer”, 309 Homes, LLC and Economic Development Group, LTD on the draft redevelopment agreement. Anticipation the agreement will be ready for review and approval at the June 19, 2023 City Council meeting.

Strategy Session: The contract has been sent to Haven Creative for signature. Haven is out of the office this week on a work retreat. The City will begin planning the 4-hour economic development strategy session here soon. Ald. Friese has voiced interest in participating in that strategy.

Fireworks: The City is close to its goal of \$10,000. To date, \$9,200.00 has been donated. City Clerk Dale did speak to one local resident earlier in the week and she noted she would provide an additional \$800 to help complete the goal.

City Treasurer’s Report: The Treasurer’s Reports has been marked exhibit “B”, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

Mayor’s Report: MAYOR Hagloch reported two proposals were received today for the City’s real estate agent. MAYOR Hagloch requested a Public Property, Streets & Sidewalks Committee and Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Committee meeting be scheduled.



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A Public Property, Streets & Sidewalks Committee meeting to be held on Monday, June 26, 2023 at 6:00 o'clock p.m. in the City Council Chambers.

A Public Meeting to be held on June 8, 2023 from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the Aledo Fire Station for the Safe Routes to School project.

MCBT request for support – “City Council would like Mr. McEwen to personally present his request to council.”

Rhubarb review. Approximately 4500 pies were prepared this year. Some vendors had leftover pies. A number of around 4,000 pies should be set for next year's limit. Concern on the late arrival from HDR of the rendering prints for the Community Improvements Project in Central Park was discussed. Several voiced their concern with the lack of planning to have these prints available prior to the start of the festival.

Committee Report: Ald. Chausse reported on the Ordinance & Police Committee Meeting held May 22, 2023. Building codes, Interim Chief & Retirement incentives program was discussed.

Ald. Sarabasa reported of the Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Committee Meeting held May 25, 2023. Dollar Tree request to be on the June 19th meeting. Ald. Sarabasa has heard a lot of excitement on the new Dollar Tree coming to Aledo. Also discussed was creative ideas for economic development.

Ald. Cooper reported on the Public Property, Streets & Sidewalks Committee Meeting May 25, 2023. North Street parking, NV, Sponslor Manor 3rd Addition, Multiuse path, Safe Routes to School were discussed.

REGULAR COUNCIL SESSION

Following the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag,

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion was made by ALDERMAN DIXON and seconded by ALDERMAN FRIESE to approve the following consent agenda items with the correction made to name and spelling of Alderman Mark Friese in the minutes:

- Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 15, 2023, with correction of Michael Freise change to Mark Friese.
- Approval of Finance Invoice Listing – AP10.



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A Roll Call vote was recorded as follows:

YES: Chausse, Cooper, Dixon, Doherty, Friese, Sarabasa, and Weeks. NO: None.
Motion carried. 7 yeas, 0 nays.

PUBLIC COMMENT: No Report.

ACTION ITEMS:

ORDINANCE NO. 16, SERIES OF 2023; AN ORDINANCE CREATING AN ADDITIONAL CLASS “C” LIQUOR LICENSE AND TWO ADDITIONAL CLASS “D” LIQUOR LICENSES AND REDUCING A CLASS “E” LIQUOR LICENSE WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ALEDO. (FIRST READING)

Motion was made by ALDERMAN CHAUSSE and seconded by ALDERMAN COOPER to waive the 2nd reading for Ordinance No. 16, Series of 2023; Approving the addition of a Class “C” Liquor License and two additional Class “D” liquor Licenses and Reducing a Class “E: Liquor License within the Corporate Limits of the City of Aledo. A Roll Call vote was recorded as follows:

YES: Cooper, Dixon, Doherty, Friese, Sarabasa, Weeks, and Chausse. NO: None.
Motion carried. 7 yeas, 0 nays.

Motion was made by ALDERMAN CHAUSSE and seconded by ALDERMAN Sarabasa to adopt Ordinance No. 16, Series of 2023; Approving the addition of a Class “C” Liquor License and two additional Class “D” liquor Licenses and Reducing a Class “E: Liquor License within the Corporate Limits of the City of Aledo. A Roll Call vote was recorded as follows:

YES: Dixon, Doherty, Friese, Sarabasa, Weeks, Chausse, and Cooper. NO: None.
Motion carried. 7 yeas, 0 nays.

ORDINANCE NO. 17, SERIES OF 2023; CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 702 NW 9TH AVENUE, IN THE CITY OF ALEDO, MERCER COUNTY, ILLINOIS. (FIRST READING)

A second reading to be held on Monday, June 19, 2023 at 6:30 o’clock p.m. in the City Council Chambers.



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RESOLUTION NO. 12R, SERIES OF 2023: APPROVING A SCADA SYSTEM UPGRADE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$19,500.00.

Motion was made by ALDERMAN DOHERTY and seconded by ALDERMAN WEEKS to approve Resolution No. 12R, Series of 2023; Approving \$19,500.00 for SCADA System upgrade. A Roll Call vote was recorded as follows:

YES: Friese, Sarabasa, Weeks, Chausse, Cooper, Dixon, and Doherty. NO: None. Motion carried. 7 yeas, 0 nays.

OLD BUSINESS: ALD. Chausse “Thanked all the Public Works workers, for doing a great job during Rhubarb Fest.”

ALD. Sarabasa inquired on the status of the Aquatic Center Fundraiser. Mayor Hagloch had no update has been given.

NEW BUSINESS: No Report.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, motion was made by ALDERMAN SARABASA and seconded by ALDERMAN WEEKS that the meeting be adjourned. A Unanimous voice vote followed in agreement. Meeting was adjourned at 6:51 P.M.

Joy Coulter, Deputy Clerk

Minutes approved by Council action June 19, 2023.

Jarod Dale, City Clerk