

The City Council met in Regular Session in Council Chambers. Mayor Stadsholt called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. City Clerk, Jesse Hall called the roll and the following Alderpersons answered to their names: Portia Brown, Bob Cooper, Dan Griffin, Ed Ray, James Stroh, Becky Chaney and Ross McDowell.
Absent: Nick Urish.

A quorum was present. The minutes were recorded by City Clerk, Jesse Hall.

The pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was repeated by all City Officials and guests.

PUBLIC COMMENT #1

DISCUSSION: None

ACTION TAKEN: None

DISCUSSION: Mayor Stadsholt asked if there were any questions or corrections to the Regular Council Meeting minutes of August 3, 2021.

ACTION TAKEN: There being none, the minutes will stand as approved and submitted.

FINANCE REPORT

DISCUSSION: Mayor Stadsholt entertained a motion to approve the Finance Report as submitted. Alderperson Stroh made the motion, seconded by Alderperson Ray.

ACTION TAKEN: Mayor Stadsholt asked if there were any questions or corrections to the Finance Report. There being none, the motion passed by the following vote:

Voting Yes: Griffin, Ray, Stroh, Chaney, McDowell, Brown and Cooper

Voting No: None

MAYOR'S REPORT

DISCUSSION: Mayor Stadsholt reported on the following items:

- IRBS Director Jim Lamer gave an update on the IRBS project, saying "We have had interest from Senator Richard Durbin's office and interest from Senator Tammy Duckworth office," Lamer told the council. "We sat down and talked with them about the project. They're very favorable." So far, no real dollars have been passed down from Washington, and other grants have been submitted but not funded. On the path the project is now taking, with the city taking the lead and IRBS serving as advisor. "We're continuing to push forward and explore other funding opportunities," Lamer told the council. "We're pursuing or looking at some federal and state opportunities, private foundations, etc at this point." Lamer said rough estimates for the project are "anywhere from \$7 million to \$10 million," and include incorporation of sustainable green initiatives, important elements for a scientific research center concentrating on biology and the environment. Right now, they're in need of a grant to help put the plan together. IRBS just signed a five year lease with the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Lamer said the goal is to be shovel-ready for the new building within that period of time. April Burgett said "IRBS is officially one of six stations of the Upper Mississippi River Restoration Programs' Long Term Resource Monitoring element, funded by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, administered by the U.S. Geological Survey's Upper Midwest Environmental Sciences Center in LaCrosse, Wisconsin."
- Mayor Stadsholt stated she was going to present a Certificate of Appreciation to Betty Oswalt at the next senior citizen luncheon at the Riverside Club for organizing the senior citizen's meals and activities.
- Thank you and congratulations to Dr. Bob Stinauer on his retirement.
- The Third Tuesday Coffee for August was held earlier today and was very informative.
- The city had a great turn out this weekend with the car show.

ACTION TAKEN: None

CITY CLERK'S REPORT

DISCUSSION: No report

ACTION TAKEN: None

CITY TREASURER'S REPORT

DISCUSSION: No report

ACTION TAKEN: None

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

DISCUSSION: No report

ACTION TAKEN: None

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT

DISCUSSION: Economic Development Coordinator Brenda Davenport-Fornoff reported on the following items:

- Havana History Day that was held on Saturday, August 14, 2021, we had a great turn out. About 150 – 200 people came throughout the day.

ACTION TAKEN: None

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

DISCUSSION: No report

ACTION TAKEN: None

POLICE CHIEF REPORT

DISCUSSION: No report

ACTION TAKEN: None

FIRE MARSHAL/ZONING OFFICER REPORT

DISCUSSION: No report

ACTION TAKEN: None

FARNSWORTH ENGINEERING GROUP REPORT

DISCUSSION: No report

ACTION TAKEN: None

FINANCE AND PURCHASING

DISCUSSION: Alderperson Cooper made a motion to approve the letter of Engagement for Professional services from Clifton Larson Allen, seconded by Alderperson McDowell.

ACTION TAKEN: Mayor Stadsholt asked if there were any questions. There being none, the motion passed with the following vote:

Voting Yes: McDowell, Brown, Cooper, Griffin, Ray, Stroh and Chaney

Voting No: None

DISCUSSION: Alderperson Cooper made a motion to approve the American Rescue Plan Act funds, seconded by Alderperson Chaney.

ACTION TAKEN: Mayor Stadsholt asked if there were any questions. There being none, the motion passed with the following vote:

Voting Yes: Brown, Cooper, Griffin, Ray, Stroh, Chaney and McDowell

Voting No: None

HEALTH AND SANITATION

DISCUSSION: No report

ACTION TAKEN: None

LICENSES, ORDINANCE AND LEGAL

DISCUSSION: Alderperson Ray made a motion to waive the first reading of Ordinance 1453, an Ordinance Amending Chapter 5.24 of the Code of Ordinances of the City Of Havana, Mason County, Illinois, seconded by Alderperson Stroh.

ACTION TAKEN: Mayor Stadsholt asked if there were any questions. There being none, the motion passed with the following vote:

Voting Yes: Cooper, Griffin, Ray, Stroh, Chaney, McDowell and Brown
Voting No: None

DISCUSSION: Alderperson Ray made a motion approve Ordinance 1453, an Ordinance Amending Chapter 5.24 of the Code of Ordinances of the City Of Havana, Mason County, Illinois, seconded by Alderperson Chaney.

ACTION TAKEN: Mayor Stadsholt asked if there were any questions. There being none, the motion passed with the following vote:

Voting Yes: Chaney, McDowell, Brown, Cooper, Griffin, Ray and Stroh
Voting No: None

PLANNING

DISCUSSION: No report

ACTION TAKEN: None

PROPERTY AND ZONING

DISCUSSION: No report

ACTION TAKEN: None

PUBLIC SAFETY

DISCUSSION Alderperson Stroh made a motion to approve a request by Angie Smith, Mason District Hospital, to use the City Streets on September 11th, 2021 for the Annual Polka Pace and Polka Dot Races, seconded by Alderperson Griffin.

ACTION TAKEN: Mayor Stadsholt asked if there were any questions. There being none, the motion passed with the following vote:

Voting Yes: Ray, Stroh, Chaney, McDowell, Brown, Cooper and Griffin
Voting No: None

PUBLIC WORKS

Alderperson Brown reported on behalf of Public Works Director, Jewel Bucy.

- Recycle price is now down to \$20.79 per ton, it has been as much as \$128.00 per ton.
- I have sent all the information to Illinois Rural Water Association, they should need to perform a rate study for the Water Department.
- Our contract is up with CINTAS uniform service, they purposed a slight increase with a 60 month agreement. I called the manager and told him absolutely not, we would only do one year at this time.
- Our contract with Waste Management is also up at the end of this month. Our new price at the Land Fill will be \$37.50. That is up \$1.00 from where we're at now.
- Our new pickup for the Water Department came in to B&B yesterday. They will have to do some set up on the truck and next week we will deliver it to PAFCO in East Peoria to have the utility box installed.
- Mike Kane has completed the demolition of bad bricks on the West wall of the old water tower and now will proceed with relaying bricks and skim coating. He has first layer of skim coating on part of the wall. It may take up to three coats to even out the original coating thickness. Our crew helped him pour the top step and some sidewalk.
- I had a meeting with ADM and IDOT District 6 Engineers pertaining to semi-truck parking along the edge of Rt. 78 and damages done to shoulder. It was discussed that the State has repaired the shoulder a couple of times per my request but per our contract with the State it is our duty to perform that type of repairs. I had them send me the contracts because I didn't know we had an agreement. The agreement is dated 1979. I will be setting up a meeting with ADM and FS in order to come up with a viable solution to this problem. The Mayor, Police Chief and City Clerk were all included in the discussion with IDOT.
- Received an e-mail from Gary Davis of Farnsworth Group concerning concrete at the Business Park on McNeil Lane. Hein Construction will cut out the bad spot that they thought was caused by tie wire not being tight enough on dowel rods. They also will take care of the curb in front of City Hall and while here perform items on the punch list which Farnsworth provided to them.

- I have not heard from Illinois Road Contractors on a time line for oil and chipping.

PERSONNEL

DISCUSSION: Alderperson McDowell entertained a motion to go into closed session under Open Meetings Act 2 (C) (1) The appointment, employment, compensation discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body. Alderperson Ray made the motion, seconded by Alderperson Ray.

ACTION TAKEN: Mayor Stadsholt asked if there were any questions. There being none, the motion passed with the following vote:

Voting Yes: Brown, Cooper Griffin, Ray, Stroh, Chaney and McDowell

Voting No: None

DISCUSSION: Mayor Stadsholt entertained a motion to come out of closed session. Alderperson McDowell made the motion, seconded by Alderperson Chaney.

ACTION TAKEN: Mayor Stadsholt asked if there were any questions. There being none, the motion passed with the following vote:

Voting Yes: Cooper, Griffin Ray, Stroh, Chaney, McDowell and Brown

Voting No: None

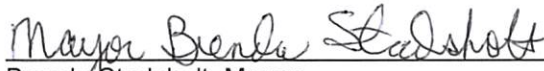
PUBLIC COMMENT #2

DISCUSSION: Brandon Smith asked the City Council if there would be any more discussion on the golf carts and side by sides.

ACTION TAKEN: None

DISCUSSION: Mayor Stadsholt entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was made by Alderperson McDowell, and seconded by Alderperson Chaney.

ACTION TAKEN: The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.



Brenda Stadsholt, Mayor



Jesse Hall / City Clerk

Guests: Brenda Davenport-Fornoff
Gavin Maliska
Alex Noble
James Stark
James Lamer
April Burgett
Brandon Smith
Larry Smith
Paul Roberts