

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: Denis Bryant, Bob Cooper, Dan Griffin, Christopher J. Rilea, Richard "Tayler" Shore, James "Gus" Stroh, Ross McDowell and Heather Miller.

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.

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**PUBLIC COMMENT #1**

**DISCUSSION:** None

**ACTION TAKEN:** None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**DISCUSSION:** Mayor Stadsholt asked if there were any additions or corrections to the meeting minutes of February 4, 2025.

**ACTION TAKEN:** There being none, the minutes are approved as submitted.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

**DISCUSSION:** Mayor Stadsholt entertained a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as submitted. Alderperson Stroh made the motion, seconded by Alderperson Rilea.

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

Voting Yes: Griffin, Rilea, Shore, Stroh, McDowell, Miller, Bryant and Cooper

Voting No: None

**FINANCE REPORT**

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

**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: Rilea, Shore, Stroh, McDowell, Miller, Bryant, Cooper and Griffin

Voting No: None

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

**DISCUSSION:** Mayor Stadsholt reported on the following items:

- This morning we had Third Tuesday Business Coffee at the City Center. Our speaker today was Casey French from CassComm and he provided a slide presentation.
- I had received a notice from Spoon River College that this year's Presidents Reception, recognizing our 2024 Donor Wall Honorees and Scholarship Contributors, will be held on Thursday, April 17, 2025 from 5:30 to 7:30 PM in the lower level Centers building, Canton campus.
- This morning Stephanie Howerter had announce that on May 10, 2025 Spoon River College is having the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Mrs. Roper Romp in downtown Havana. The funds will go toward scholarships for SRC Havana students. Boutique crawl from 10:00 to 12:00 PM. More information to come.
- I want to thank Fire Marshal, Matt Fliege and all the firefighters for a very nice dinner that was held Saturday, February 15, 2025 night. It was at the VFW and Cammy Smith did the catering that was really well done.
- The Fullerton Cemetery on Promenade is really in need of some help. We have had expressions of concern brought to our attention. We have posted no trespassing sign on the premises, but maybe we need to look into hiring someone to take care of it seasonally.

**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:

- I went to the rural community meeting in Lewistown, IL through the U of I Extension. They did talk about different grants.
- The Transition Grant that was supposed to be coming out the end of January, now they are saying that hopefully the beginning of March.
- The solar lights for the welcome signs at highway 97 and 136 are in. Matt has said that he will go and get them and install them.

**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

**FINANCE AND PURCHASING**

**DISCUSSION:** Alderperson Cooper made a motion to extend the lease agreement to the University of Illinois at address 622 N Orange St. Havana, IL for a two-year extension, seconded by Alderperson Shore.

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

Voting Yes: Bryant Cooper, Griffin, Rilea, Shore, Stroh, McDowell and Miller

Voting No: None

**HEALTH AND SANITATION**

**DISCUSSION:** No report

**ACTION TAKEN:** None

**LICENSES, ORDINANCE AND LEGAL**

**DISCUSSION:** Alderperson Rilea made a motion to waive the first reading of Ordinance 1491, An Ordinance Amending Section 010 of Chapter 10.16 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Havana, Mason County, Illinois, seconded by Alderperson Bryant.

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

Voting Yes: Miller, Bryant, Cooper, Griffin, Rilea, Shore, Stroh, and McDowell

Voting No: None

**DISCUSSION:** Alderperson Rilea made a motion to approve Ordinance 1491, An Ordinance Amending Section 010 of Chapter 10.16 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Havana, Mason County, Illinois, seconded by Alderperson Shore.

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

Voting Yes: Bryant, Cooper, Griffin, Rilea, Shore, Stroh, McDowell and Miller

Voting No: None

#### **PLANNING**

**DISCUSSION:** No report

**ACTION TAKEN:** None

#### **PROPERTY AND ZONING**

**DISCUSSION:** Alderperson Griffin made a motion to accept the highest bidder Kyle Auto Parts and Recycling for the 2015 Ford Explorer in the amount of \$300.00, 2008 Dodge Avenger in the amount of \$250.00 and the 1963 Gallon 503 Series A, Road Grader, 6cyl. IH gas engine in the amount of \$500.00, seconded by Alderperson Miller.

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

Voting Yes: Bryant, Cooper, Griffin, Rilea, Shore, Stroh, McDowell and Miller

Voting No: None

**DISCUSSION:** Alderperson Griffin made a motion to accept the highest bidder Robert Beck for the 1996 F350 Ford Flatbed long bed, 4x2, 5.8 L EFI engine, 5-speed transmission in the amount of \$2,010.00, 1990 John Deere Skid-Loader, Model #375 in the amount of \$40.00, seconded by Alderperson Miller.

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

Voting Yes: Bryant, Cooper, Griffin, Rilea, Shore, Stroh, McDowell and Miller

Voting No: None

**DISCUSSION:** Alderperson Griffin made a motion to accept the highest bidder Stephens & Son Furniture for the 1978 John Deere 544 Pay Loader, diesel in the amount of \$3,610.00, seconded by Alderperson Rilea.

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

Voting Yes: Bryant, Cooper, Griffin, Rilea, Shore, Stroh, McDowell and Miller

Voting No: None

**DISCUSSION:** Alderperson Griffin made a motion to accept the highest bidder Donnie Green for the 2000 Clarke Mosquito (ULV) Fog Generator, with 18 hp. electric start Briggs & Stratton Vanguard engine, side shaft in the amount of \$300.00, seconded by Alderperson Miller.

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

Voting Yes: Bryant, Cooper, Griffin, Rilea, Shore, Stroh, McDowell and Miller

Voting No: None

#### **PUBLIC SAFETY**

**DISCUSSION:** No report

**ACTION TAKEN:** None

#### **PUBLIC WORKS**

**DISCUSSION:** No report

**ACTION TAKEN:** None

#### **PERSONNEL**

**DISCUSSION:** Alderperson McDowell made a motion to accept the resignation of Zoe Porter, Administrative Assistant, seconded by Alderperson Cooper.

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

Voting Yes: Shore, Stroh, McDowell, Miller, Bryant, Cooper, Griffin and Rilea

Voting No: None

**DISCUSSION:** Alderperson McDowell made a motion to appoint Alexandria Matheny as Deputy Clerk, seconded by Alderperson Bryant.

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

Voting Yes: Bryant, Cooper, Griffin, Rilea, Shore, Stroh, McDowell and Miller

Voting No: None

**PUBLIC COMMENT #2**


**DISCUSSION:** None

**ACTION TAKEN:** None

**ADJOURNMENT**

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

**ACTION TAKEN:** The meeting was adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

  
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Brenda Stadsholt, Mayor

  
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Jesse Hall, City Clerk

**Guests:** Brenda Davenport-Fornoff  
Matthew Fliege  
Carson Harris