

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, Ross McDowell and Heather Miller.

Absent: James "Gus" Stroh.

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 January 21, 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 Rilea made the motion, seconded by Alderperson Shore.

**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, 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 Rilea.

**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, McDowell, Miller, Bryant, Cooper and Griffin

Voting No: None

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

**DISCUSSION:** Mayor Stadsholt entertained a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted. Alderperson McDowell made the motion, seconded by Alderperson Griffin.

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

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

Voting No: None

### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

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

- We had received it too late to put it on the agenda, but IRBS has submitted a lease from the University of Illinois for the parking lot on Orange Street. They will be submitting for the lot on Schrader Street that they have leased for the last five (5) years. The lease for Orange Street expires in April and the lease on Schrader expires in October.
- I wanted to thank Administrative Assistant, Zoe Porter for her help last week.
- Last Thursday, we held our Annual TIF District I & II Joint Review Board Meeting. Steve Kline from the Bloomington Jacob Kline agency, which we hired to take care of our TIF I District I & II and BDD, came to the City Center. The TIF advisory committee as well as the Tax bodies were invited through certified letter that needed to be signed for. The information was posted in the

Mason County Democrat for two (2) weeks prior to the meeting as well as posted out in our lobby. We have some money in TIF 2, between now and 2030, which we could spend on streets, sewers and sidewalks. It's a limited area due to a lot of farmland, which is why we have not spent a lot of it. Jewel and I were discussing the possibility of using it for our Wastewater Treatment Plant.

- The Mason County Arts Council will have a presentation by Dr. John Cooper on traditional jazz music on Saturday, February 15 at 3:00 p.m. at the Paint Havana / MAM Artworks Studio at 120 North Plum.

**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:** No report

**ACTION TAKEN:** None

**PUBLIC WORKS REPORT**

**DISCUSSION:** Public Works Director, Jewel Bucy, reported on the following items:

- I have a few things that I want to bring up to Maurer-Stutz at our meeting on Thursday, February 6, 2025:
  - The NPDES Permit, we have been without one for two (2) years.
  - Wastewater Treatment Plant design and what they are going to want us to update and redo.
  - Lead Service Line Replacement, I have been working on a LCRR Lead and Copper Monitoring Site Plan Update. I want to talk to them about a possible grant for that.
  - IEPA Unsewered Communities Planning Grant Program.
  - They are going to do our 2025 Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) Maintenance Program this year and I want to see if we could, do some work on promenade by the hospital.
- I did have Viking Industrial Painting come by and inspect the water tower. He is estimating that it is going to be around \$600,000 to get all the repairs on it that we need to do.
- I have been working on the budget as I can.
- We got another big shipment of water meters coming in tomorrow.
- This last month we have had three main water line breaks.
- Jay Sarff and Steve Meyer are going to go to Illinois Rural Water Association conference next week at the Keller Convention Center in Effingham, IL on February 18-20, 2025.

**ACTION TAKEN:** None

**POLICE CHIEF REPORT**

**DISCUSSION:** Police Chief, Jeremiah Hindahl, reported on the following item:

- Our three (3) new officers are still in PTI. They are starting their fifth week in training. So far, they are doing great and we are looking forward to getting them back in our streets.

**ACTION TAKEN:** None

**FIRE MARSHAL/ZONING OFFICER REPORT**

**DISCUSSION:** Fire Marshal/Zoning Officer, Matthew Fliege reported on the following item:

- The Havana Fire Department Annual Holiday Banquet will be on Saturday, February 15, 2025 at the VFW. Please RSVP by February 5, 2025.

**ACTION TAKEN:** None

**FINANCE AND PURCHASING**

**DISCUSSION:** Alderperson Cooper made a motion to approve the FY24 Audit, seconded by Alderperson McDowell.

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

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

Voting No: None

**HEALTH AND SANITATION**

**DISCUSSION:** No report

**ACTION TAKEN:** None

**LICENSES, ORDINANCE AND LEGAL**

**DISCUSSION:** Alderperson McDowell made a motion to postpone the motion to decide whether to pursue legal actions against building permit violation on 3<sup>rd</sup> street, until the first meeting in March of 2025, 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, McDowell and Miller

Voting No: None

**DISCUSSION:** Alderperson Rilea reported that he had upcoming business for License Ordinance and Legal:

- o He said he talked with Fire Marshal/Zoning Officer, Matthew Fliege about the New Central School asking to amend Paragraph S and add two more locations, one stretch on Jefferson Street and one on Market Street.
- o Snow and ice removal information.

**ACTION TAKEN:** None

**PLANNING**

**DISCUSSION:** Alderperson Shore reported that he spoke with Economic Development Coordinator, Brenda Davenport-Fornoff and she said she had a few new BDD applications. He said when she gets back he will go over them with her and move forward.

**ACTION TAKEN:** None

**PROPERTY AND ZONING**

**DISCUSSION:** Alderperson Griffin reported that at the next City Council meeting we would vote on the bids that were awarded at the committee meeting. Also, we will have a committee meeting prior to our next council meeting to discuss property if there is enough time, but we should have a committee meeting so everyone is aware of the IRBS lease agreement before we move forward with it on the agenda.

**ACTION TAKEN:** None

**PUBLIC SAFETY**

**DISCUSSION:** No report

**ACTION TAKEN:** None

**PUBLIC WORKS**

**DISCUSSION:** No report

**ACTION TAKEN:** None

**PERSONNEL**

**DISCUSSION:** No report

**ACTION TAKEN:** None

**PUBLIC COMMENT #2**

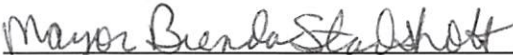
**DISCUSSION:** None

**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 Cooper.

**ACTION TAKEN:** The meeting was adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

  
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Brenda Stadsholt, Mayor

  
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Jesse Hall, City Clerk

- Guests:**
- Jewel Bucy
  - Matthew Fliege
  - Jeremiah Hindahl
  - Carson Harris
  - Jim Harris