

The City Council met in Regular Session in Council Chambers. Mayor Brenda 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: Bob Cooper, Dan Griffin, Ed Ray, Gus Stroh, Porta Brown, Becky Chaney, Ross McDowell and 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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

DISCUSSION: Mayor Brenda Stadsholt asked if there were any additions or corrections to the meeting minutes of May 17, 2022.

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

FINANCE REPORT

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

ACTION TAKEN: Mayor Brenda 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, Brown, Chaney, McDowell, Urish and Cooper

Voting No: None

CONSENT AGENDA

DISCUSSION: Mayor Brenda Stadsholt entertained a motion to accept the Consent Agenda as submitted. Alderperson McDowell made the motion, seconded by Alderperson Chaney.

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

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

Voting No: None

MAYOR'S REPORT

DISCUSSION: Mayor Stadsholt reported on the following items:

- All of you have heard by now that VISTRA was awarded a \$40.7 million grant to start the battery storage process at the power plant, which was great news last Wednesday afternoon. There's an article in today's Mason County Democrat and we thank Norien Hammond especially for giving us a call and telling us about it early on Wednesday afternoon that was very kind of her. I have spoken to Brad Watson. They're excited to work with Havana and excited to be doing this particular project. They will employ a lot of people for the construction process. Perhaps as time goes by there may only be about six employees. He's not for sure at the power plant, but there'll be a lot of construction going on between now and 2025. So it's good news for our community. Good news for the tax bodies that really relied on the power plant.
- I did go ahead and sign the CDBG Infrastructure Grant, as we asked you last month to approve so that has been submitted to them and we'll wait to hear from them. Whether we the Havana community will receive an infrastructure grant from CDBG.
- Brenda and I are working with Kathleen Brown from Peoria Economic Development. We are trying to help her and help Bradley University. They have a senior learning institute as we did at Spoon River College, but at Bradley it is called OLLI and they'd like to come down from Bradley with their people for a couple days in the fall for a trip to Havana and that's very good news for us. It's a Bradley learning institute just as had it at Spoon River College for the senior citizens.

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:

- The city wide cleanup is going on this week. We got through Mondays route and we started on Tuesdays this morning.
- Flowers are going up as we speak.
- Bridge washing is going on today. I hope they paint it.
- Banners went up last week.
- We put two cameras up at the wall.
- Mowing seems to be the topic of the summer.
- Brenda Davenport-Fornoff ordered a video surveillance sign to be put up. She provided a camera to be installed. We've been working with Ameren to get the lights on. The artists came up and he did a little bit more painting and he fix that immediately.

ACTION TAKEN: None

POLICE CHIEF REPORT

DISCUSSION: No report
ACTION TAKEN: None

FIRE MARSHALL/ZONING OFFICER REPORT

DISCUSSION: Fire Marshall, Matthew Fliege reported on the following item:

- The only thing I had to say is the new pick up, the F-250, received its decals last week. If anybody wants to come by and take a look at it. It's not in service yet. The emergency equipment is on backordered just like everything else. It will probably be close to August before its 100% in service.

ACTION TAKEN: None

FARNSWORTH ENGINEERING GROUP REPORT

DISCUSSION: Gary Davis, with Farnsworth Engineering, reported on the following items:

- I met with City Treasurer, Alex Noble and City Clerk, Jesse on the EDA reports that you have to do.
- August 5, 2022 will be the bid letting date for the ITEP project.

ACTION TAKEN: None

FINANCE AND PURCHASING

DISCUSSION: No report
ACTION TAKEN: None

HEALTH AND SANITATION

DISCUSSION: Alderperson Griffin reported that COVID-19 numbers are on the rise and the counties surrounding us so take caution.

ACTION TAKEN: None

LICENSES, ORDINANCE AND LEGAL

DISCUSSION: No report

ACTION TAKEN: None

PLANNING

DISCUSSION: No report

ACTION TAKEN: None

PROPERTY AND ZONING

DISCUSSION: Alderperson Chaney said that we are going to post for the items that we are taking bids on. Alderperson Chaney asked if two of the items had been added the nationwide double stack trailer and the phatbouy marine boat model 1660. Fire Marshall, Matthew Fliege reported that it was equipment given to the Fire Department by the County. We have no use for it. We've never done anything with it except have it in our building and I asked if they wanted to take it back but they declined. Alderperson Chaney asked if the Council wanted her to reread the items she read from the last meeting. Mayor Stadsholt asked if the Council had them in their backup packet. The Council said yes. Alderperson Chaney said we are going to open the bids for the following meeting.

ACTION TAKEN: None

PUBLIC SAFETY

DISCUSSION: Alderperson Stroh made a motion to approve a request by Denis Bryant to use the city streets for the 4th of July Parade on July 2nd, 2022 at 10:00am, seconded by Alderperson Urish.

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

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

Voting No: None

DISCUSSION: Alderperson McDowell made a motion to amend the Annual Oktoberfest Parade route as Chief Hindahl described, seconded by Alderperson Chaney.

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

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

Voting No: None

DISCUSSION: Alderperson Stroh made a motion to approve the request by Oktoberfest Committee to use the city streets for the Annual Oktoberfest Parade on September 9th, 2022 at 6:00pm, seconded by Alderperson Ray.

ACTION TAKEN: Mayor Stadsholt asked if there were any questions or comments. Alderperson Griffin said that Chief Hindahl brought up to him that it was the wrong route for the parade. Chief Hindahl explained the parade route is going to start at Jefferson either at the grade school traveling west to Schrader then traveling East on Main and ending on Plum. There being no further questions, the motion passed with the following vote:

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

Voting No: None

PUBLIC WORKS

DISCUSSION: No report

ACTION TAKEN: None

PERSONNEL

DISCUSSION: Alderperson McDowell made a motion to hire Isaak Everett as a full-time Public Works employee, seconded by Alderperson Chaney.

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

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

Voting No: None

DISCUSSION: Alderperson McDowell made a motion to hire Lauren Herbst as a part-time Public Works employee, seconded by Alderperson Griffin.

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

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

Voting No: None

DISCUSSION: Alderperson McDowell made a motion to hire Samuel Stuhmer as a part-time Public Works employee, seconded by Alderperson Urish.

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

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

Voting No: None

DISCUSSION: Mayor Stadsholt 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 McDowell made the motion, seconded by Alderperson Urish.

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, Brown, Chaney, McDowell and Urish

Voting No: None

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

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, Brown, Chaney, McDowell and Urish

Voting No: None

PUBLIC COMMENT #2

DISCUSSION: None

ACTION TAKEN: None

ADJOURNMENT

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

ACTION TAKEN: The meeting was adjourned at 8:03 p.m.



Brenda Stadsholt, Mayor



City Clerk, Jesse Hall

Guests: Brenda Davenport-Fornoff Jeremiah Hindahl
 Matthew Fliege Gary Davis
 Gavin Maliska Alex Noble