

The City Council met in regular session at the City Center. 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, Gus Stroh, 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 Stadsholt asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes for the Regular Council Meeting/Old Council held May 2, 2023.

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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: Rilea, Shore, Stroh, McDowell, Urish, Bryant, Cooper and Griffin

Voting No: None

FINANCE REPORT

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

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, Rilea, Shore, Stroh, McDowell, Urish, Bryant and Cooper

Voting No: None

MAYOR'S REPORT

DISCUSSION: Mayor Stadsholt reported on the following items:

- The Third Tuesday Coffee was held this morning and the speaker was Sharon Suiwen Zou, Assistant Professor of University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. She gave a presentation on sharing insights about rural tourist behavior and decision-making.
- We're still continuing to work on several infrastructure grants with Maurer-Stutz Inc. One of them being at the water treatment plant, one of them at Eagle's Nest. Perhaps one on Market Street and we continue to look toward finishing Streetscape Phase B.
- We also have the continuation of the Riverside club committee who meet the first Thursday of each month if any of you have any desire to attend. The meetings are at 9:00am at the Riverside club.
- We are going to be here at the City Center for the next couple meetings, because we're going to have our audit report on June 6, and perhaps some other types of committee reports. Also, Jacob & Klein LTD may be here to talk about the possibility of a downtown business district being developed.

ACTION TAKEN: None

CITY CLERK'S REPORT

DISCUSSION: City Clerk, Jesse Hall reminded the newly elected officials that they must complete the OMA training online within 90-days of taking office. Also, if any of the new Alderman are having issues with their emails please let him know.

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:

- Brenda showed the City Council the Experience Emiquon Visor Guide with the City's ad in it.
- This agenda here is from Third Tuesday Coffee Sharon Suiwen Zou, Assistant Professor of University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign gave a great presentation at today's Third Tuesday Coffee.
- I'm still working on the Energy Transition Community Grant Program. It has to be submitted by May 31, 2023
- I am really excited about the mural project. People are applying for those and I think that it's just going to make the downtown look really nice.

ACTION TAKEN: None

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

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

- First of all, we did receive a certificate from the Illinois Department of Public Health for 12 months of perfect compliance for our fluoride. Thank you to our water department.
- Next month when you receive your water bill it will have a URL on there for a link to check out the Consumer Confidence Report which is done every year.
- The Mayor and I have been working with Maurer-Stutz Inc. and hopefully we are not out of the woods on the MFT program, but we are going to see what we can do, hopefully there is still something there.
- We have had a lot of issues at the Washington lift station. There is a PLC screen that we are having problems with. We had to call Linden & Company and they have it running again.
- We finished planting flowers today.
- Someone is going to be coming down to give us training on our new mosquito fogger this month.
- Bridget Berry With Farnsworth Group emailed me today about the mussel survey on the City's ammonia levels.

ACTION TAKEN: None

POLICE CHIEF REPORT

DISCUSSION: No report

ACTION TAKEN: None

FIRE MARSHAL/ZONING OFFICER REPORT

DISCUSSION: Fire Marshal, Matthew Fliege, reported on the following items:

- A few months ago the City Council approved WIRC to write a \$30,00.00 matching grant to pave the parking lot across from the Police and Fire Station. It has been a long process in receiving bids, but I have received two of them back and it is a lot more than we anticipated. So I am asking the council what you would like me to do next. Do you want to do go ahead and pursue on having WIRC write the grant? Or do we want to break it up into a couple of projects and not do it all in one shot because of the cost of the project? We have not done the grant yet, we have not paid WIRC \$500.00 to write the grant. The City Council agreed to move forward.
- About three weeks ago, we had an early morning storm. Somehow a portion of the north end of town got zapped by a transformer and took out our grid protection for the fire station. Our backup generator did not kick online like it's supposed to under power failure. I called John Deere and they were there by 5:30am and they said there was not an issue with the engine saying it was on the generator side. I called Altorfer form East Peoria and they came down. It turns out the main motherboard on the generator had been zapped before and got rid of its own protection and when it got hit again there was nothing to protect it. Anyway, it's going to be anywhere

from two weeks to three months to get a new motherboard put in it. I spoke with the County EMA and we got a generator from EMA to use temporarily, so our building would have backup power if needed. The guys from Altorfer really helped us out. They called the company that makes the board and said we are a 911 place and we need that board now and we had it in seven days. This will be an insurance claim.

ACTION TAKEN: None

FINANCE AND PURCHASING

DISCUSSION: Alderperson Cooper made a motion to support the Mason County Fireworks in the amount of \$1,500.00, 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: Urish, Bryant, Cooper, Griffin, Rilea, Shore, Stroh and McDowell

Voting No: None

HEALTH AND SANITATION

DISCUSSION: No report

ACTION TAKEN: None

LICENSES, ORDINANCE AND LEGAL

DISCUSSION: No report

ACTION TAKEN: None

PLANNING

DISCUSSION: No report

ACTION TAKEN: None

PROPERTY AND ZONING

DISCUSSION: No report

ACTION TAKEN: None

PUBLIC SAFETY

DISCUSSION: No report

ACTION TAKEN: None

PUBLIC WORKS

DISCUSSION: No report

ACTION TAKEN: None

PERSONNEL

DISCUSSION: Alderperson McDowell said that at the end of the next council meetings he would like to start having a COW closed session to discuss the Teamsters and FOP contracts and their compensation.

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 Griffin.

ACTION TAKEN: The meeting was adjourned at 7:39 pm

Mayor Brenda Stadsholt
Brenda Stadsholt, Mayor

Jesse Hall
Jesse Hall / City Clerk

Guests: Jewel Bucy
Matt Fliege
Brenda Davenport-Fornoff
Chelsea Shore

Jay Sarff
Wendy Martin