

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.

PUBLIC COMMENT #1

DISCUSSION: None
ACTION TAKEN: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

DISCUSSION: Mayor Stadsholt asked if there were any additions or corrections to the Regular City Council meeting minutes of October 15, 2024.

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

FINANCE REPORT

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

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

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 Rilea.

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

Voting No: None

MAYOR'S REPORT

DISCUSSION: Mayor Stadsholt reported on the following item:

- Chamber of Commerce and City after hours will be on December 18, 2024 from 5:00-7:00pm at the Riverside Club.

ACTION TAKEN: None

CITY CLERK'S REPORT

DISCUSSION: No report

ACTION TAKEN: None

CITY TREASURER'S REPORT

DISCUSSION: City Treasurer, Alex Noble reported that he had spoken with Economic Development Coordinator, Brenda Davenport-Fornoff and we still have \$8,108.11 left obligated for Murals and Blade Signs out of the ARPA funds. At the next City Council meeting, we will look to re-obligate those funds.

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:

- On October 22, 2024, I went to the Fall Festival & Touch-A-Truck at the Havana Junior High. I handed out brochures about the Savvy Citizen app. We are up to 347 people signed up with the app.
- The welcome bags I did a while ago, I had to restock those. Therefore, Alexandria is handing those out. I added the brochures in there about the Savvy Citizen app.
- The Energy Transition Community Grant application will be sometime in January. Therefore, we will need to come up with a project. I would think it is probably going to be in the same range as the last one. Which was \$55,482.00.
- The Business Development District No.1 balance is \$196,007.18.

ACTION TAKEN: None

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

DISCUSSION: Public Works Leadman, Jay Sarff reported on the following items:

- We got the PLC working on the Washington Street Lift Station. It is throwing codes from both pumps. That the pumps could last an hour, or they could last another year. The last bid we got on those was two years ago and it was \$39,000.00. Public Works Director, Jewel Bucy is going to get quotes for the Lift Stations.
- Well #4 at the Water Plant is still down. We are just waiting on parts.

ACTION TAKEN: None

POLICE CHIEF REPORT

DISCUSSION: Police Chief, Jeremiah Hindahl reported on the following items:

- We are looking to vote again on Catherine Jones. She was our dispatcher, she had left for a brief time. She contacted me and asked if she could come back and at that time we had not hired anybody yet to fill that position. With the situation going on, I did confirm with the Mayor. She was able to do a days worth of training and she's back in it on her own. So we are full staffed finally.
- We did assist with the liquor commissioner coming into town. What we thought was just a couple, they ended up doing everybody who had a liquor license in town. They were pleased with the outcome we had. We had three that ended up getting hit with some fines.
- I did get ahold of Josh Mercer, they are still waiting on grants. They hadn't been approved for grants as of yet. He had indicated that they were still waiting on grants from last year. So I am going to try to get with him and see if they can't start a grant process now for future. As of right now they are waiting on funding for the grants.

ACTION TAKEN: None

FIRE MARSHAL/ZONING OFFICER REPORT

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

- I have an update on the Lawford Theatre, the demolition next door has been completed. The auditorium part was removed along with any part that was touching our building. They have already contacted a roofing company that is going to replace the roof over the front lobby portion. After that is complete then they will go on to begin the design process on how they are going to rebuild the theatre portion. They have put in a new water line and they are still working on putting in a new sewer line that leads back up to the front lobby. The next phase is a new concrete pad gets put in.
- I have also contacted two different roofing companies to get the estimates for our roof. Our roof that really needs covered up is where that old pitched roof used to sit. That will need to be closed up. That will be covered through our insurance where the auditorium caved in on that end. We are just waiting to hear back on the estimates.

ACTION TAKEN: None

FINANCE AND PURCHASING

DISCUSSION: No report

ACTION TAKEN: None

HEALTH AND SANITATION

DISCUSSION: No report

ACTION TAKEN: None

LICENSES, ORDINANCE AND LEGAL

DISCUSSION: Alderperson Rilea made a motion to approve the Council Resolution of Support Resolution No. 11-24, 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, Shore and Stroh

Voting No: None

DISCUSSION: Alderperson Rilea made a motion to waive the first reading of Ordinance 1487, An Ordinance Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Business Development District No.1 Redevelopment Agreement by and between City of Havana, Illinois and Dru Bergman and Vanessa Bergman (742 E. Laurel St.), 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 Rilea made a motion to approve Ordinance 1487, An Ordinance Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Business Development District No.1 Redevelopment Agreement by and between City of Havana, Illinois and Dru Bergman and Vanessa Bergman (742 E. Laurel St.), 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: Griffin, Rilea, Shore, Stroh, McDowell, Miller, Bryant and Cooper

Voting No: None

PLANNING

DISCUSSION: Alderperson Shore made a motion to approve the use of ARPA funds to purchase a storage building in the amount of \$11,189.40, seconded by Alderperson Rilea.

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

Voting Yes: None

Voting No: Bryant, Cooper, Griffin, Rilea, Shore, Stroh, McDowell and Miller

DISCUSSION: Alderperson Shore made a motion to move forward with the Tami Davidage BDD No. 1 Redevelopment Agreement, 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: Rilea, Shore, Stroh, McDowell, Miller, Bryant, Cooper and Griffin

Voting No: None

PROPERTY AND ZONING

DISCUSSION: No report

ACTION TAKEN: None

PUBLIC SAFETY

DISCUSSION: Alderperson Stroh made a motion to approve the request by the Havana Chamber of Commerce, to use the city streets on Saturday, November 30, 2024 at 4:00pm for the Annual Santa Clause Parade, 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: Griffin, Rilea, Shore, Stroh, McDowell, Miller, Bryant and Cooper

Voting No: None

PUBLIC WORKS

DISCUSSION: Alderperson Bryant made a motion to approve the use of ARPA funds to purchase a Mud Mixer in the amount of \$3,700.00, seconded by Alderperson Stroh.

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

PERSONNEL

DISCUSSION: Alderperson McDowell made a motion to hire Catherine Jones as a full-time Dispatcher, 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: Stroh, McDowell, Miller, Bryant, Cooper, Griffin, Rilea and Shore

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 Griffin.

ACTION TAKEN: The meeting was adjourned at 7:32 p.m.



Brenda Stadsholt, Mayor



Jesse Hall, City Clerk

Guests: Brenda Davenport-Fornoff
Matt Fliege
Jeremiah Hindahl
Alex Noble
Jay Sarff
Jim Harris
Carson Harris