

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 September 20, 2022.

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 Chaney 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: 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 Ray.

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:

- Downtown Business Trick or Treat is Friday, October 28th, 2022 from 4:30-6:00pm. We're encouraging by flyer to have people start here as they have since 2013. This year, Madisyn and Mariah being young and excited about the whole project. They ordered a few extra things for our bags, and we're excited about it too. We've ordered 400 bags, we can always store them for next year, but last year I think we had over 350 people through here. We started in 2013 with 50 people with Fred and I doing it. It was just so different than it is now. We've really grown and changed, and it's been a great addition. You know that normally we do it in coordination with the extension office. They are not having theirs this year. I hope you encourage your friends, neighbors and people to come downtown. I think all the local businesses have become involved in it. There's a flyer posted as you leave City Hall, out in the corridor.
- Monday, October 31st, 2022 from 6:00-8:00pm to be the official Trick or Treat time in the City of Havana.
- Thursday of this week, Osher Lifelong Learning Institute is bringing at least 22 to 25 adults to Havana by bus to see what is going on in Havana. They're meeting at the City Center at 10:30am with Brenda Davenport-Fornoff, April Burgett and myself. Brenda Davenport-Fornoff is in charge of taking them around the corridor here and we're kind of excited about it. I know a lot of you probably don't know but for at least five years after I retired from Havana High School. I taught the Osher

Lifelong Learning at Spoon River College and I had 10 adults every fall for five years and those adults came together as a committee that formed the volunteer committee for Riverside Club. It's probably the longest serving committee here in Havana. So it's pretty exciting that Bradley University is coming.

- Jesse, Alex and I attended the SRM 2022 Fall Client Conference last week in East Peoria, IL. It was very informative. I brought books back for each of you on Open Meetings Act. There was a lot of violations that they shared with us from around the state of people violating Open Meetings Act by talking about what was going on in closed session and by sharing information that was not supposed to be shared.

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: Brenda Davenport-Fornoff reported on the following item:

- Today I took PBS channel 47 around and they saw some Airbnb's out at the beach and walked around downtown. They said they want to come back and probably do another piece on downtown.

ACTION TAKEN: None

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

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

- Tomorrow IRC Inc. is going to start on the trap rock for our oil and chipping program and they are going to do part of Schrader to Franklin, a couple of streets over here on Adams and Washington for about two blocks each and Main Street from Broadway to Promenade.
- The sidewalk project is going pretty well. There have been a couple issues but everything's working out real well. They're going to pour concrete in the morning on the west side of the driveway on Charlotte Street. They are going to be hauling gravel in and putting in the base course for asphalt. They are going to do the asphalt as soon as they can because the company will be shutting down for the winter.
- I did get some good news. The windmills are actually done for the year. They are not probably going to start up until late April of next year.
- We spent about \$8,500 on the Jet/Vac truck due to everything rusting out.
- I gave the sophomores permission to use the annex building for their float.
- I think all of you know, but we have to do a mussel survey because of EPAs regulations and this is Bridget Barry from Farnsworth Group and she's going to explain the mussel survey. The mussel survey was triggered by public comment not about Havana specifically, but about multiple locations along the Illinois River. So cities as big as Peoria are having to do this mussel survey. Unfortunately, we don't have one that we've done in the past five years. While lots of other towns do for other reasons. So that's going to be a cost for us now. The reason that it's triggered is because our ammonia levels coming out of the wastewater plant are higher than we typically like to see. So we have to spend this money now to check to make sure that the ammonia levels aren't hurting any of the wildlife and the easiest way to do that is to check the mussels. The alternative is we don't do this mussel survey and we implement ammonia treatment within the wastewater plant which would be a large expensive and a long project, but I don't think it's necessary whatsoever. So we're going to do this mussel survey and I've checked with a few other engineering firms and other contractors to see what kind of mussel survey teams they use and I've only found one that has any availability for the rest of this year. We have to do it before

the water gets too cold and it is nearing that time. So the one proposal that I've been able to receive is from EcoAnalysts, Incorporated and they provided that quote to me yesterday and I shared that with Jewel and the Mayor and it is \$12,228.00. They will coordinate with the EPA to make sure that all of the requirements are hit and I have lots of references for the specific company and I feel comfortable recommending them to you. So that's where we're at, it's an unfortunate cost that we weren't expecting, but to get our permit to continue to operate the wastewater plant it is necessary.

ACTION TAKEN: None

POLICE CHIEF REPORT

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

- From 2:30-4:00pm we did a traffic detail around the schools. It was an hour and a half and resulted in 31 traffic stops. It was very busy out there so I know the public definitely seen us. I know all the construction people will probably be talking. It resulted in various traffic stops for speeding, expired registrations, seatbelts and window tint. Just a various combination of traffic stops. It was a good turnout and it was more or less driver safety awareness.

ACTION TAKEN: None

FIRE MARSHALL/ZONING OFFICER REPORT

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

- If you remember several months ago, I presented the house at 221 North Orange for dangerous structure to be demolished. That process has gone through the court system and we now have the green light to move forward for the demolition. We submitted for six bids for demolition and only received one in return. My demolition budget is only \$20,000.00 and the estimate is \$26,775.00. So would you like for me to move forward with this single bid? Would you like me to try something else? Not really sure what else we can do here? I don't think if I was to go further out to get bids, because we did it fairly local. We went to Peoria and Macomb and if we started to branch out even further, I'm afraid that costs are just going to be way more then what this cost is. This is a local business, we have used this company many times before. In the meantime, the structure has gotten worse. We've been over there a couple of different times with police officers, because we think there are people that are still going in and out of it. Even though we did have it secure, but it has gotten worse since my last report on it. So again, this will be put on to a lien, so whoever tries to pick it back up, we'll have to satisfy our costs as well. Alderperson Cooper suggested to go ahead and put it on the agenda for the next council meeting for approval.

ACTION TAKEN: None

FARNSWORTH ENGINEERING GROUP REPORT

DISCUSSION: No report

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 McDowell made a motion to waive the first reading of Ordinance 1465, an Ordinance Vacating part of Windsor Street Located in the City of Havana, Mason County, Illinois, seconded by Alderperson Griffin.

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

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

Voting No: None

Abstained: Chaney

DISCUSSION: Alderperson Ray made a motion to approve Ordinance 1465, an Ordinance Vacating part of Windsor Street Located in the City of Havana, Mason County, Illinois, seconded by Alderperson McDowell.

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, McDowell and Urish

Voting No: None

Abstained: Chaney

DISCUSSION: Alderperson Ray made a motion to waive the first reading of Ordinance 1466, an Ordinance Approving the Termination of the Havana Central Area Tax Increment Financing (TIF) District 1 Redevelopment Project Area, Plan and Projects, seconded by Alderperson Chaney.

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

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

Voting No: None

DISCUSSION: Alderperson Ray made a motion to approve Ordinance 1466, an Ordinance Approving the Termination of the Havana Central Area Tax Increment Financing (TIF) District 1 Redevelopment Project Area, Plan and Projects, seconded by Alderperson McDowell.

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

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

Voting No: None

PLANNING

DISCUSSION: No report

ACTION TAKEN: None

PROPERTY AND ZONING

DISCUSSION: Alderperson Chaney made a motion to accept the University of Illinois two year lease agreement, seconded by Alderperson McDowell.

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

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

Voting No: None

PUBLIC SAFETY

DISCUSSION: Alderperson Stroh made a motion to approve a request by Amy Lane, Havana High School, to use the City Streets on October 7th, 2022 at 2:30pm for the Annual Homecoming Parade, seconded by Alderperson Chaney.

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 WORKS

DISCUSSION: No report

ACTION TAKEN: None

PERSONNEL

DISCUSSION: No report

ACTION TAKEN: None

PUBLIC COMMENT #2

DISCUSSION: None

ACTION TAKEN: None

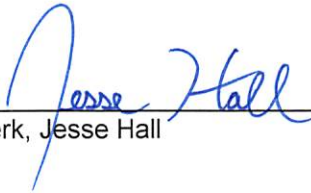
ADJOURNMENT

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

ACTION TAKEN: The meeting was adjourned at 7:41 p.m.



Brenda Stadsholt, Mayor



City Clerk, Jesse Hall

Guests:

Alex Noble
Matthew Fliege
Jewel Bucy
Chris Rilea
Daryl Sarff

Jeremiah Hindahl
Brenda Davenport-Fornoff
Zach McKnight
Bridget Barry
Ty Eshleman