

The City Council met in Regular Session in Council Chambers. Mayor Brenda Stadsholt called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. City Clerk, Kathy Vaughn, called the roll and the following Alderpersons answered to their names: Andrew French (arrived at 7:30 pm), Charles Campbell, James Stroh, Randy Bell, Ross McDowell, Bob Cooper and Portia Brown. Absent: Becky Chaney

A quorum was present. City Attorney was not present. The meeting was taped.

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 questions, additions or comments to the meeting minutes of March 5th, 2019.

ACTION TAKEN: There being none, the minutes will stand as approved and submitted.

TREASURER'S REPORT

DISCUSSION: Mayor Stadsholt entertained a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as submitted. Alderperson Bell made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as submitted, seconded by Alderperson Stroh.

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

Voting Yes: Campbell, Stroh, Bell, McDowell, Cooper, Brown

Voting No: None

FINANCE REPORT

DISCUSSION: Mayor Stadsholt entertained a motion to accept the Finance Report as submitted. Alderperson Campbell made a motion to accept the Finance Report as submitted, seconded by Alderperson McDowell.

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

Voting Yes: Campbell, Stroh, Bell, McDowell, Cooper, Brown

Voting No: None

MAYOR'S REPORT

DISCUSSION: Mayor Stadsholt presented an award to the following students for their recent achievements:

- Bryar Lane for placing 2nd in the State IESA wrestling championship
- Brayden Barner for qualifying in the state IESA wrestling championship
- Dominique Barner, Blayk Reed, Jacob Waymire, Blake Cagle for qualifying for IWCOA 2019
- Liviah Ferree for receiving a gold medal in the 2019 Special Olympics
- Ryne Lorek for receiving a bronze medal in the 2019 Special Olympics
- Samantha Redd for placing 6th in the 2019 Special Olympics
- A Special Thank You and Congratulations to all the coaches, parents and supporters for these very talented athlete's!
- **ACTION TAKEN:** None

DISCUSSION: Mayor Stadsholt reported on the following items:

- The Spoon River Institute recently held a Life Long Learning conference, and it was a great success. Thank you to all who participated.
- A "Honey Do" List referral service program is in the beginning stages of being implemented. Individuals interested in performing odd jobs may fill out a referral form at City Hall. When inquiries are received looking for services, City Hall will try to match the caller with a referral received. All jobs will be paid by the individual, City Hall is only matching individuals with service providers.

ACTION TAKEN: None

CITY CLERK'S REPORT

DISCUSSION: Kathy Vaughn, City Clerk reported, the budget is in the final stages and is on schedule to be presented for a first reading at the April 2nd meeting. Meetings with the Department Heads are scheduled for later this week.

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: Updates will be presented later in the meeting

ACTION TAKEN: None

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

DISCUSSION: Jewel Bucy reported on the following items:

- Pedigo Engineering has received approval from IDOT to allow the Oil & Chip Program to be re-bid. In order to do this, the current bid would be rejected and the program would be opened for bids. This would require Council approval, which is listed later on the agenda.
- The question has come up as to the cost to produce one gallon or 1000 gallons of water. With the help of Illinois Rural Water and special water rate software, after all expenses were entered, the cost to produce one gallon of City water is \$0.00596 cents per gallon or \$5.96 per 1000 gallons. The charge to customers is currently \$0.00536 or \$5.36 per 1000 gallons. The City is in the negative \$0.060 per 1000 gallons of what billed out.

ACTION TAKEN: None

POLICE CHIEFS REPORT

DISCUSSION: No Report

ACTION TAKEN: None

FIRE MARSHALL/ZONING OFFICER REPORT

DISCUSSION: No Report

ACTION TAKEN: None

FARNSWORTH ENGINEERING GROUP REPORT

DISCUSSION: No Report

ACTION TAKEN: None

FINANCE AND PURCHASING

DISCUSSION: Alderperson Bell asked City Treasurer, Cole McDaniel to present the request. McDaniel presented the following: The Economic Development Committee would like to recommend a budget line item of \$500 k for fiscal year 2020. The Downtown Revitalization program currently has 5 pending applications, 7 open and active projects and 24 completed projects. Alternate methods of funding may be required for some of the larger projects originally scheduled for TIF1, due to the momentum and continued interest there is in the program. Alderperson Bell made a motion to approve the proposed TIF1 budget line item for fiscal year 2019-20, seconded by Alderperson Stroh.

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

Voting Yes: Campbell, Stroh, Bell, McDowell, Cooper, Brown, French

Voting No: None

DISCUSSION: Alderperson Bell entertained a motion to approve an Economic Development Loan for Defining Point Studio, owner Jason Fallsetti. The loan will assist with the purchase of the building at 615 S Water Street, and building improvements. The motion was seconded by Alderperson Campbell.

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

Voting Yes: Campbell, Stroh, Bell, McDowell, Cooper, Brown, French

Voting No: None

DISCUSSION: Alderperson Bell entertained a motion to approve an Economic Development Loan for Cork's by the River, LLC. A new business in town owned, by Courtney Session and Ronny Lindsey. The loan will assist with the purchase of the building at 324 W Main, and building improvements. The motion was seconded by Alderperson Brown.

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

Voting Yes: Campbell, Stroh, Bell, McDowell, Cooper, Brown, French

Voting No: None

HEALTH AND SANITATION

DISCUSSION: No Report

ACTION TAKEN: None

LICENSES, ORDINANCE AND LEGAL

DISCUSSION: No Report

ACTION TAKEN: None

PERSONNEL

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: Alderperson Campbell made a motion to approve the bid from Trotter Construction for the Water Filters Project. Seconded by Alderperson McDowell.

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

Voting Yes: Campbell, Stroh, Bell, McDowell, Cooper, Brown, French

Voting No: None

DISCUSSION: Alderperson Campbell made a motion to re-bid the Oil & Chip Program, discussed earlier in the meeting. Seconded by Alderperson McDowell.

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

Voting Yes: Campbell, Stroh, Bell, McDowell, Cooper, Brown, French

Voting No: None

PUBLIC COMMENT #2

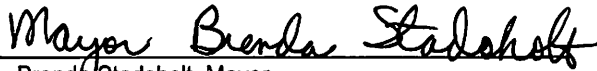
DISCUSSION: None

ACTION TAKEN: None

ADJOURNMENT

DISCUSSION: Mayor Stadsholt made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Alderperson Cooper seconded the motion.

ACTION TAKEN: The meeting was adjourned at 7:49 pm.


Brenda Stadsholt, Mayor


Kathy Vaughn, City Clerk

Guests:

Cole McDaniel
Jewel Bucy

John Kachanuk
Jeremiah Hindahl

Todd Thompson
Erik Reader