

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: Portia Brown, Bob Cooper, Andrew French, Charles Campbell, James Stroh, Randy Bell, Ross McDowell and Becky Chaney.

A quorum was present. City Attorney Zach Bryant was 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: County Administrator, Bill Blessman, presented information regarding the Consumer Electronics Recycling Act. Mr. Blessman described the details of the program and asked if the City would like to join efforts and share the cost associated in offering this program to the residents.

ACTION TAKEN: None

DISCUSSION: Tim Fielder from Barnhart and Crane, address the council regarding the upcoming Crones Chemical Fertilizer plant being built in Tuscola, IL. The massively large construction items will be transported via the Illinois River and Havana is a proposed off-loading site.

ACTION TAKEN: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

DISCUSSION: Mayor Stadsholt asked if there were any questions, additions or comments to the meeting minutes of December 18, 2018.

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

FINANCE REPORT

DISCUSSION: Mayor Stadsholt entertained a motion to accept the Finance Report as submitted. Alderperson Chaney 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: Brown, Cooper, Bell, French, Campbell, Stroh, Chaney and McDowell.

Voting No: None

MAYOR'S REPORT

DISCUSSION: Certificates were presented to the 7th and 8th grade girls Basketball team for their winning season and coming placing in the IESA State Tournament. The 7th grade girls placed 2nd in State and the 8th grade finished placed 3rd.

ACTION TAKEN: None

DISCUSSION: Mayor Stadsholt reported on the following items:

- Reminder the Standing Committee yearly meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 21, 2019, at the City Center. Gary Davis from Farnsworth will have a short presentation and lunch will be served. If you have not RSVP'd, please contact Jesse Hall to reserve your seat.
- It was recently made known that the Department of Human Services office in Havana will be closing. City Hall has been making calls and promoting efforts to have this decision reconsidered. If you would like to write a letter of support or concern, please contact Clarissa Campbell for more information.
- Havana has awarded a CDBG grant for \$500,000 for housing rehab. Thanks goes out to Jeff Cozadd and WIRC, for all their efforts to help make this happen.

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: Jewel Bucy reported on the following items:

- Interviews are being conducted for a 1000 hour part-time Public Works employee.

ACTION TAKEN: None

POLICE CHIEFS REPORT

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

- He has received a Disposal Certificate from the State and is currently going through 144 boxes of documents dating back as far as 1960. A list must be comprised and approved by the State, before any documents can be destroyed.
- Officers responded to 2242 service calls in 2018. That is an increase from 2017.

ACTION TAKEN: None

FIRE MARSHALL/ZONING OFFICER REPORT

DISCUSSION: None

ACTION TAKEN: None

FARNSWORTH ENGINEERING GROUP REPORT

DISCUSSION: None

ACTION TAKEN: None

FINANCE AND PURCHASING

DISCUSSION: Alderperson Bell asked City Treasurer, Cole McDaniel, to present information he has gathered regarding the American Tower lease renewal/purchase options. After the presentation, Alderperson Campbell made a motion to accept Option 1: Full Monetization with Perpetual Easement. Seconded by Alderperson Chaney.

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: Brown, Cooper, Bell, French, Campbell, Stroh, Chaney and McDowell.

Voting No: None

HEALTH AND SANITATION

DISCUSSION: None

ACTION TAKEN: None

LICENSES, ORDINANCE AND LEGAL

DISCUSSION: Alderperson McDowell discussed Ordinance 1410, "Amending prohibiting vendors in public places in the City of Havana, Mason County, Illinois." A first reading was done several months ago, and there was some concern about the ordinance being overly restrictive. Mayor Stadsholt asked if there was a motion on the floor. There being no motion, the ordinance failed due to lack of motion.

ACTION TAKEN: None

DISCUSSION: Alderperson McDowell presented a first reading for Ordinance 1424, amending "Class D licenses authorize onsite consumption of beer & wine with sale of food, as well as retail sale of alcoholic liquor with no onsite consumption.

ACTION TAKEN: Mayor Stadsholt will schedule a committee meeting for this to be discussed further.

PERSONNEL

DISCUSSION: None

ACTION TAKEN: None

DISCUSSION: Mayor Stadsholt entertained a motion to go into Closed Session under Open meetings Act under Section 2(c) (1) of the Open Meetings Act – Personnel. The motion was made by Alderperson Stroh and seconded by Alderperson McDowell.

ACTION TAKEN: The motion passed by the following vote:

Voting Yes: Brown, Cooper, Bell, Campbell, Stroh, Chaney and McDowell.

Voting No: None

ACTION: The meeting was reconvened at 8:40 pm by Mayor Stadsholt

PLANNING

DISCUSSION: Alderman French reported City Clerk, Kathy Vaughn, would be giving a Wellness Program update. After the presentation information, Mayor Stadsholt entertained made a motion the Wellness Program be approved as presented for City employees. Alderperson McDowell made a motion, seconded by Alderperson Chaney.

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: Brown, Cooper, Bell, Campbell, Stroh, Chaney and McDowell.

Voting No: None

Abstaining from vote due to conflict of interest: French

PROPERTY AND ZONING

DISCUSSION: None

ACTION TAKEN: None

PUBLIC SAFETY

DISCUSSION: None

ACTION TAKEN: None

PUBLIC WORKS

DISCUSSION: None

ACTION TAKEN: None

PUBLIC COMMENT #2

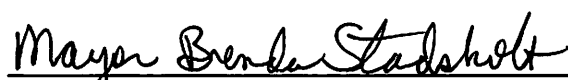
DISCUSSION: Dan Griffin, Chamber of Commerce President, stated there were 3 open seats on the Chamber of Commerce and encourages Business Owners from around town to get become more involved and join the Chamber. The Chamber currently does not have anyone to answer Chamber incoming phone calls and is reviewing all other options.

ACTION TAKEN: None

ADJOURNMENT

DISCUSSION: Mayor Stadsholt entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Alderperson Brown made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Alderperson Cooper.

ACTION TAKEN: The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.



Brenda Stadsholt, Mayor



Kathy Vaughn, City Clerk

Guests:

Cole McDaniel

Gary Davis

John Kachanuk

Jeremiah Hindahl

Jewel Bucy

Wendy Martin