

The City Council met in Regular Session in the Council Chambers: Mayor Brenda Stadsholt called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.; City Clerk Kathy Vaughn called the roll and the following Alderpersons answered to their names: Bob Cooper, Portia Brown, Randy Bell, Andrew French, Ross McDowell, Charles Campbell, James Stroh and Becky Chaney. Absent: None. A quorum was present. Meeting taped. Attorney Zach Bryant was present.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was repeated by City Officials and Guests.

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#### **PUBLIC COMMENT #1**

**DISCUSSION:** The council welcomed the Havana Youth League baseball team, coaches and family members. The Mayor assisted Head Coach Darren Layton in presenting the team with Achievement awards and medals for their successful 2018 season.

**ACTION TAKEN:** None

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**DISCUSSION:** Mayor Stadsholt asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of August 7, 2018.

**ACTION TAKEN:** There being none, the minutes were approved as written.

#### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

**DISCUSSION:** Mayor Stadsholt asked if there were any corrections, changes or questions.

**ACTION TAKEN:** Motion made by Alderman Campbell and seconded by Alderman McDowell. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Voting No: None

#### **FINANCE REPORT**

**DISCUSSION:** Mayor Stadsholt asked if there were any corrections, changes or questions.

**ACTION TAKEN:** Motion made by Alderman Cooper and seconded by Alderman Stroh. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Voting No: None

#### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

**DISCUSSION:** Mayor introduced Jeff Cozadd from WIRC to discuss the City wide CDBG Housing Rehab Grant and Technical Assistance Agreement to begin the application and survey process.

**ACTION TAKEN:** The Mayor asked to entertain a motion to approve the WIRC Technical Assistance Agreement. A motion was made by Alderman Bell and seconded by Alderwoman Chaney. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Voting No: None

**DISCUSSION:** Mayor Stadsholt reported the following upcoming schedule of events:

- Congratulations to Cole McDaniel and Jess Hall for completing the Midwest Community Development Leadership Institute and on Cole's outstanding Spirit and Engagement Award.
- The American Duchess Riverboat will arrive again on Thursday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>, the festivities have been scaled back a bit. The Mayor said it was heartwarming to see the community come together for this event.
- Congressman LaHood spent the day in Havana on Thursday, August 16<sup>th</sup> with a Public City Meeting, a visit to Gromark and Sunrise AG.
- Workplace 2018 workshops are being held the August 28<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> at Spoon River College, from 7 am - 8 am. Carol Davis is the instructor.

**DISCUSSION:** Mayor Stadsholt entertained a motion to accept a lease proposal for two grain bins from Cargill for 5 years at \$10,000/bin. Alderman Cooper asked if we would be able to get out of the lease if necessary, the Mayor said yes, and the proposal will also be reviewed by the city attorney. There were no further questions.

**ACTION TAKEN:** Alderman McDowell made a motion to accept the lease proposal, seconded by Alderman Campbell. The motion passed by the following vote:  
Voting Yes: Brown, Cooper, Bell, French, Stroh, Chaney, Campbell, and McDowell.  
Voting No: None

**CITY CLERK'S REPORT**

**DISCUSSION:** Kathy Vaughn, City Clerk reported the Consolidated Primary Election packets have arrived. They will be available for pick up Tuesday, August 28<sup>th</sup> from the City Clerk at City Hall. All paperwork must be returned to the City Clerk during the week of November 19<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018. The Primary Election if needed will be February 26, 2019, and the Consolidated General Election will be held April 2, 2019.

**ACTION TAKEN:** None.

**CITY TREASURER'S REPORT**

**DISCUSSION:** None

**ACTION TAKEN:** None

**CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

**DISCUSSION:** None

**ACTION TAKEN:** None

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT**

**DISCUSSION:** Ron Hills, Economic Developer reported there is definitely a positive transformation being seen around town. Ron is trying to get the word out to those involved regarding the Opportunity Zone information. He is also staying progressive and working on ways to keep things moving forward.

**ACTION TAKEN:** None

**PUBLIC WORKS REPORT**

**DISCUSSION:** None

**ACTION TAKEN:** None

**POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT**

**DISCUSSION:** None

**ACTION TAKEN:** None

**FIRE MARSHAL/ZONING OFFICER REPORT**

**DISCUSSION:** None

**ACTION TAKEN:** None

**FARNSWORTH ENGINEERING GROUP REPORT**

**DISCUSSION:** Gary Davis thanked the Mayor for signing the IDOT/ITECH Grant for the Business Park sidewalk. Available later this week to the council, will be a 11 x 17 drawings of the Downtown Corridor project design. Gary is asking for feedback from everyone regarding the project design. Once all the feedback is received, they will revise the drawings and meet with the committee again.

**ACTION TAKEN:** None

**COMMITTEES**

**FINANCE AND PURCHASING**

**DISCUSSION:** None

**ACTION TAKEN:** None

**HEALTH AND SANITATION**

**DISCUSSION:** None

**ACTION TAKEN:** None

**LICENSES, ORDINANCES AND LEGAL**

**DISCUSSION:** Alderman Ross McDowell reported that in a committee meeting earlier this evening, they discussed adopting the Illinois Vehicle Code for traffic citations, Solar Energy package, limiting the number of food containers available per household animal and a uniform impound fee for animal pickup. All ordinance changes are with the City Attorney at this time for review.

**ACTION TAKEN:** None

**PERSONNEL**

**DISCUSSION:** Alderwoman Brown reported Officer Marie Harper signed a letter of resignation.

**ACTION TAKEN:** Alderwoman Brown made a motion to accept the letter of resignation from Officer Marie Harper, seconded by Alderwoman Chaney. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Voting No: None

**PLANNING**

**DISCUSSION:** None

**ACTION TAKEN:** None

**PROPERTY AND ZONING**

**DISCUSSION:** Gary Davis from Farnsworth, reviewed the changes made to the revised covenant for the Business Park Phase 2.

**ACTION TAKEN:** The motion to approve the revised covenant for the Business Park Phase 2 was tabled at this time.

**PUBLIC SAFETY**

**DISCUSSION:** A request was made by Angie Smith from Mason District Hospital, to use the City streets on September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018 for the annual Polka Pace and Polka Dot races. Route will be provided same as previous years.

**ACTION TAKEN:** Alderman Bell made a motion to accept the request, seconded by Alderwoman Chaney. The motion passed by the following vote:

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

Voting No: None

**PUBLIC WORKS**

**DISCUSSION:** The sidewalk in front of the Democrat was repaired in a pinch with blacktop. Owner is very displeased. Alderman Campbell is working with Jewel Busy of Public Works to remedy the situation. Alderman Campbell is also going to work with Jewel Busy regarding the status of the filter tank replacements.

**ACTION TAKEN:** None

**PUBLIC COMMENT #2**

**DISCUSSION:** None

**ACTION TAKEN:** None

**ADJOURNMENT**

**DISCUSSION:** Mayor Stadsholt asked for a motion to adjourn at 7:54 p.m.

**ACTION TAKEN:** Motion was made by Alderman McDowell and seconded by Alderwoman Brown and was approved for the meeting to adjourn.

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Brenda Stadsholt / Mayor

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Kathy Vaughn / City Clerk

**GUESTS:**

John Kachanuk  
Zach Bryant  
Ron Hills

James Stark  
Cole McDaniel