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A regular meeting of the Wood River City Council was called to order by Mayor Tom Stalcup at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, August 2, 2021 in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 111 N. Wood River Avenue, with the recital of the Pledge of Allegiance. The Deputy Clerk called the roll and reported that the following members were:

PRESENT: Leroy Duncan  
Sonya Hagaman  
Jeremy Plank  
Scott Tweedy  
Tom Stalcup

and that a quorum was present and in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Duncan moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of July 19, 2021, as printed, seconded by Councilman Tweedy

Councilman Plank stated there was a typo in the recorded vote for the approval of the June financial statement. It shows a five instead of a four.

Councilwoman Hagaman pointed out the same typo in the recorded vote for Resolution 1942

the corrected minutes were approved by the following vote:

AYES: Duncan, Hagaman, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (5)  
NAYS: None (0)

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Councilwoman Hagaman moved for approval of the bills submitted for payment for the period July 16 to July 29, 2021, as printed, seconded by Councilman Duncan, and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Duncan, Hagaman, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (5)  
NAYS: None (0)

CITIZEN/OFFICIAL COMMENTS:

David Landry wanted council to know that he addressed the traffic commission regarding the stop sign he wants placed at 14<sup>th</sup> and Lewis. 14<sup>th</sup> Street has a lot of traffic and difficulties with driveway access. The speeding vehicles are a big problem with kids playing in that area. He compared the importance of this stop sign with the 6<sup>th</sup> street park stop sign. Mr. Landry explained it will help to slow traffic and he wants a crosswalk added in that area. He also thanked the Park & Rec Director for fixing up the basketball court for kids to utilize.

PRESENTATIONS:

Mayor Stalcup presented the Appearance Awards for the month of August to:

Ben & Lara Michael, 502 Whitelaw  
Imo's Pizza, 2561 Vaughn Rd

ORDINANCE 21-06: AMENDING CITY CODE 90-7, ARTICLE 7: TRAFFIC CODE, CHAPTER 75: TRAFFIC SCHEDULES, SCHEDULE III: STOP STREETS TO ADD STOP SIGNS ON 14<sup>TH</sup> STREET AT LEWIS AVE IN BOTH DIRECTIONS :

Councilman Duncan moved to amend City Code 90-7, Article 7: Traffic Code, Chapter 75: Traffic Schedules, Schedule III: Stop Streets to add stop signs on 14<sup>th</sup> street at Lewis Ave in both directions, as recommended by the Traffic Commission, seconded by Councilman Tweedy

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Councilwoman Hagaman stated she utilizes 14<sup>th</sup> street and feels the addition of the stop signs is a great idea with it being a safety issue for kids playing at the park

the ordinance was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Duncan, Hagaman, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (5)

NAYS: None (0)

ORDINANCE 21-07: AMENDING CITY CODE 90-7, ARTICLE 7: TRAFFIC CODE, CHAPTER 76: PARKING SCHEDULES, SCHEDULE I: PARKING PROHIBITED AT ALL TIMES ON CERTAIN STREETS TO ADD "NO PARKING" ON THE NORTH SIDE OF TENNYSON:

Councilman Tweedy moved to amend City Code 90-7, Article 7: Traffic Code, Chapter 76: Parking Schedules, Schedule I: Parking Prohibited at All Times on Certain Streets to add "No Parking" on the north side of Tennyson from 6<sup>th</sup> Street then east to the first alleyway (approximately 100 feet), as recommended by the Traffic Commission, seconded by Councilman Duncan

Mayor Stalcup commented this request was from the new owner of the old Chico's business. The owner wants the possibility of a to-go pick-up area without traffic issues

the ordinance was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Duncan, Hagaman, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (5)

NAYS: None (0)

ORDINANCE 2735: AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT TO RECEIVE FUNDS FROM THE CORONAVIRUS STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS AS PART OF THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT:

Councilman Duncan moved to approve authorizing the execution of a Financial Assistance Agreement to receive funds from the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds as part of the American Rescue Plan Act, as submitted by the Finance Director, seconded by Councilwoman Hagaman

Councilman Plank asked about the timing of receiving this money.

Director Sobrino explained once all documents are submitted through the online portal then half of the funds should be received within 30 days.

Mayor Stalcup stated the City should receive the other half within a year.

the ordinance was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Duncan, Hagaman, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (5)

NAYS: None (0)

ORDINANCE 2736: AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A REDEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WITH HAGOPIAN PROPERTIES AT 48/52 FERGUSON FOR TIF ASSISTANCE:

Councilman Duncan moved to approve authorizing the execution of a Redevelopment Agreement with Hagopian Properties at 48/52 Ferguson for TIF Financial Assistance, as submitted by the TIF Committee, seconded by Councilwoman Hagaman

Mayor Stalcup asked for Building & Zoning Administrator/Police Chief Wells to give an explanation on this agreement.

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Chief Wells stated he would like to speak on item 9 and 10 at the same time. Item 9 is a request from Mr. Hagopian who owns Cleary's Shoes downtown and he put in this TIF assistance request for awning replacement at a total project cost of \$10,000. The TIF committee recommends \$5,000. Item 10 references a request for the former Donzo's building owned by EP Realty. Their TIF request involves repairs to the floor/roof/refrigeration and awning with total project cost about \$21,000. The TIF committee recommends roughly \$10,000. They plan to have the business open soon.

Chief Wells directed all interested parties to the City's website for more information on TIF #3 and how to apply for financial assistance.

the ordinance was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Duncan, Hagaman, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (5)  
NAYS: None (0)

ORDINANCE 2737: AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A REDEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WITH EP REALTY LLC AT 12 E. FERGUSON FOR TIF ASSISTANCE:

Councilman Duncan moved to approve authorizing the execution of a Redevelopment Agreement with EP Realty LLC for 12 E. Ferguson for TIF Financial Assistance, as submitted by the TIF Committee, seconded by Councilman Tweedy and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Duncan, Hagaman, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (5)  
NAYS: None (0)

ORDINANCE 2738 SALE OF SURPLUS PROPERTY LOCATED AT 316 FERGUSON (19-2-08-27-06-105-001 & 19-2-08-27-05-105-024):

Mayor Stalcup moved for approval of an ordinance declaring 316 Ferguson (19-2-08-27-06-105-001 & 19-2-08-27-05-105-024) as surplus and authorizing the sale of said property, as submitted by the Building and Zoning Administrator, seconded by Councilman Duncan

Councilman Plank asked how this request for proposal is advertised. Chief Wells advised it is placed in the Telegraph Newspaper

Councilwoman Hagaman asked what safeguard the City has if the property is not actually developed. Chief Wells stated the City has the right to refuse any proposal and can craft language that the property reverts back to the City.

The City Attorney explained that legally if the proposal parameters are not completed then Council would have to decide whether to sue the new property owner because it will not automatically revert back to the City.

the ordinance was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Duncan, Hagaman, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (5)  
NAYS: None (0)

BID ACCEPTANCE: LINING SEWER PIPE ON 3<sup>RD</sup> STREET FROM LORENA TO PENNING:

Councilman Duncan moved to approve the bid from Insituform Technologies USA, LLC in the amount of \$47,435.00 for lining the sewer pipe on 3<sup>rd</sup> Street from Lorena to Penning, as submitted by the Public Works Director, seconded by Councilman Tweedy

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Mayor Stalcup spoke on behalf of Director Palen as he is on vacation. This repair should fix the numerous collapses on 3<sup>rd</sup> Street that have continued to occur.

the bid was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Duncan, Hagaman, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (5)  
 NAYS: None (0)

SEEK RFP FOR PUMPSTATION IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE IRRIGATION CONTROL SYSTEM AT BELK PARK GOLF COURSE:

Councilman Duncan moved to approve a request to seek Request For Proposals for Pumpstation improvements for the irrigation control system at Belk Park Golf Course, as submitted by the Parks and Recreation Director, seconded by Councilman Tweedy

Councilman Plank asked how these improvements tie into the new irrigation system.

Parks & Rec Director Woody stated the pumpstation building is located by Belk Park bridge and is used to pump water to irrigate the golf course during times of drought. A few months ago the computer irrigation control system was replaced which calls for water from the pumpstation. The plan was to wait to replace the pumpstation in 5-10 years but the wet well underneath is starting to collapse. Director Woody stated he is planning to use the existing building to lower the cost of the improvements.

Mayor Stalcup stated Director Palen and Director Woody have done as much as they can up to this point but the pumpstation needs replaced/repaired.

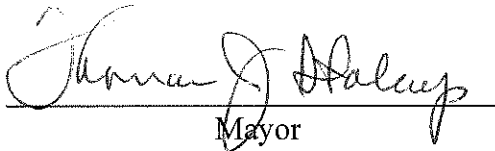
the request to seek proposals was approved as follows:

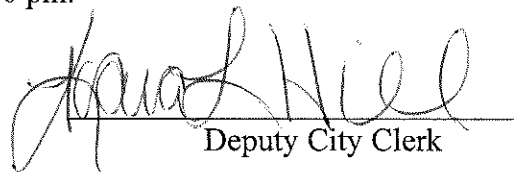
AYES: Duncan, Hagaman, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (5)  
 NAYS: None (0)

OLD BUSINESS:  
 NONE

NEW BUSINESS:  
 NONE

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm.

  
 Mayor

  
 Deputy City Clerk