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A regular meeting of the Wood River City Council was called to order by Mayor Tom Stalcup at 7:18 p.m. on Monday, June 7, 2021 in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 111 N. Wood River Avenue, with the recital of the Pledge of Allegiance. The 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 May 17, 2021, as printed, seconded by Councilwoman Hagaman, and approved by the following vote:

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

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Councilman Duncan moved for approval of the bills submitted for payment for the period May 14 to June 3, 2021, as printed, seconded by Councilman Tweedy, and approved by the following vote:

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

2nd CLOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENT:

Mayor Stalcup moved to approve the 2nd Close Financial Statement for the period ending April 30, 2021, as printed, seconded by Councilwoman Hagaman, and approved by the following vote:

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

CITIZEN/OFFICIAL COMMENTS:

Bill Dettmers thanked the City for placing the agendas and minutes from Council meetings on the City website.

Dave Landry addressed items that are concerns for citizens. Tax levy, property tax and water rate increases are a few problems. He asked why the 1% sales tax is not used to help these problems. He has outrageous water bills. He wants the City to do more for parks & recreation, streets, sewers and sidewalks. He wants to see downtown restored like East Alton restored the Eastgate shopping area. The City used to have festivals downtown and he would like to see those again.

PRESENTATIONS:

Mayor Tom Stalcup presented the Appearance Awards for the month of June to:
Brady & Jennifer Trask, 650 9th
Russell's Corner Cafe, 84 E. Ferguson

Mayor Stalcup thanked them for the work they do to make their properties look nice. Russell's Corner Café is a newer downtown business that has brightened the street. They are part of the Wood River Enrichment Group and were instrumental in the recent Food Truck Festival.

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OATH OF OFFICE:

City Clerk Ehrman administered the Oath of Office to newly appointed Probationary Patrolmen Bryan Brown and Dustin Johnson.

ORDINANCE 21-02: AMEND CITY CODE 90-7, ARTICLE 7: TRAFFIC CODE, CHAPTER 75: TRAFFIC SCHEDULES, SCHEDULE III: STOP STREETS:

Mayor Stalcup moved to approve an ordinance amending the City Code Chapter 75: Traffic Schedules, Schedule III: Stop Streets to add stop signs in the Grandview Hills subdivision as recommended by the Traffic Commission, seconded by Councilman Plank, and approved by the following vote:

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

ORDINANCE 21-03: AMEND CITY CODE 90-7, ARTICLE 76: PARKING SCHEDULES, SCHEDULE IV: PARKING TIME LIMITS ON CERTAIN STREETS:

Councilman Duncan moved to approve an ordinance amending the City Code Chapter 76: Parking Schedules, Schedule IV: Parking Time Limits on Certain Streets to add "2 Hour Parking" on Third Street in front of Holy Angels Parish at 345 Acton as recommended by the Traffic Commission, seconded by Councilman Tweedy

Councilman Plank asked if there will be negative concerns from the neighbors in this area.

Mayor Stalcup explained that this will affect the one individual that constantly blocks the front of the church by parking a vehicle all day in that location. This was the reason for the request.

the ordinance was approved by the following vote:

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

ORDINANCE 21-04: AMEND CITY CODE 90-7, ARTICLE 76: PARKING SCHEDULES, SCHEDULE I: PARKING PROHIBITED AT ALL TIMES ON CERTAIN STREETS:

Councilman Duncan moved to approve an ordinance amending the City Code Chapter 76: Parking Schedules, Schedule I: Parking Prohibited at all times on Certain Streets to add "No Parking" in front of 850 Thompson and in front of Petromart at 980 Ferguson as recommended by the Traffic Commission, seconded by Councilman Tweedy, and approved by the following vote:

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

ORDINANCE 2726 AGREEMENT 1292: AUTHORIZE MANAGED IT SERVICES AGREEMENT W/ UTILITRA FOR ALL CITY FACILITIES:

Councilman Duncan moved for approval of an ordinance authorizing the execution of a Managed IT Services agreement with Utilitra for all City facilities, as submitted by the Finance Director, seconded by Mayor Stalcup

Councilman Plank asked if this was put through a bid process. He has no issue that they are a good company.

Councilwoman Hagaman asked if this is a continuation of a previous agreement and a company that we are satisfied with.

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City Manager Schneider explained it was not bid out and this is a renewal of an agreement with a company that the City is very satisfied with their services.

the ordinance was approved by the following vote:

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

ORDINANCE 2727 AGREEMENT 1293: AUTHORIZE TRAFFIC SIGNAL AGREEMENT W/ IDOT:

Mayor Stalcup moved for approval of an ordinance authorizing the execution of a Traffic Signal Master agreement with IDOT, as submitted by the Public Works Director, seconded by Councilman Tweedy, and approved by the following vote:

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

ORDINANCE 21-05: AMEND ORDINANCE 96-14 ZONING CODE TO REZONE 562 PROSPECT (PARCEL ID 19-2-08-22-19-402-035) TO B2 COMMUNITY BUSINESS:

Councilman Tweedy moved to approve a General Amendment to the Zoning Code to rezone 562 Prospect (Parcel ID 19-2-08-22-19-402-035) from R2 Single Family Residential to B2 Community Business, as requested by the property owner, seconded by Councilman Duncan

Councilwoman Hagaman wants to be sure about the Plan Commission's concern that this is spot zoning. She understands the neighbors' concerns. She sees this as an improvement to the current business. The business owner also owns this lot and has a renter in the home to be demolished. She is in favor but does not want to set a precedent.

Mayor Stalcup explained the neighbor directly next door is mainly concerned with noise from this business. This business has day-time hours only.

and approved by the following vote:

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

APPOINTMENT OF PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION MEMBER:

Mayor Stalcup moved to approve his recommendation to appoint Kate Watt of 6 Magnolia to the Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission, replacing Sonya Hagaman, with a term expiring May 2022, seconded by Councilwoman Hagaman, and approved by the following vote:

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

REQUEST TO HOLD ICE CREAM SOCIAL:

Councilwoman Hagaman moved for approval to hold the Annual Ice Cream Social at Central Park on Sunday, July 11, 2021 from 3:00 – 6:00pm, as submitted by the Parks and Rec Director, seconded by Councilman Tweedy, and approved by the following vote:

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

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OLD BUSINESS:

None

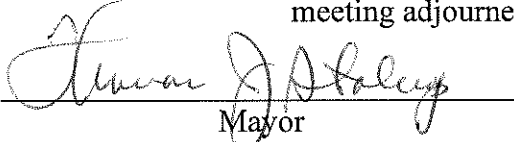
NEW BUSINESS:

Councilman Plank wants to discuss the water/sewer rate increases and rescind the hike in rates. He feels this would be painless to the City and a good gesture to the citizens.

Mayor Stalcup stated this will be discussed at the work session this Wednesday.

Mayor Stalcup also invited Mr. Landry to visit City Hall anytime to discuss future plans the City has in place.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 7:38p.m.



Mayor



City Clerk