

November 21, 2022

A regular meeting of the Wood River City Council was called to order by Mayor Tom Stalcup at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, November 21, 2022, 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 November 7, 2022, as printed, seconded by Councilman Tweedy, and 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 November 4 to November 17, 2022, as printed, seconded by Councilman Duncan, and approved by the following vote:

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

FINANCIAL STATEMENT ENDING OCTOBER 31<sup>ST</sup>:

Councilman Tweedy moved for approval of the Financial Statement ending October 31, 2022, 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:

Earlene House stated that the JD Byrider location on Harrison and Route 111 are driving vehicles through her yard. She tried speaking with the Manager at JD Byrider and that went nowhere. She also stated that she filed a complaint with the Police Department. Mayor Stalcup suggested that Earlene speak with Chief Wells after the conclusion of the meeting.

Mary Roberts thanked everyone who assisted with the Veteran's Day Ceremony. She thanked City Clerk Danielle Sneed, Mayor Stalcup, Councilwoman Hagaman and the girl scout troop, Councilman Plank, Director Jason Woody, and the recreation department. Mayor Stalcup stated the Quilts of Honor was a great idea and thanked Mary Roberts for the work done for the ceremony.

Dave Landry thanked Mary Roberts as well for the Veteran's Day Ceremony. He also spoke regarding the detention ponds being built as 100-year flood zones. He asked if there could be further explanation provided regarding the process being taken in building the current detention ponds. City Manager Steve Palen followed by stating the previous detention ponds were a Natural Resources project. The current 6<sup>th</sup> street detention pond design process will remove around 210 homes from the flood zone.

Councilman Plank asked what type of material was used to fill in the ravines created from the erosion. City Manager Palen stated the material was dirt from the site itself.

Mayor Stalcup thanked Office Tyler Tharp on his letter of commendation from Chief Wells regarding a vehicle burglary.

Mayor Stalcup thanked Cemetery Committee Chairman Rob Lamarsh, Daughters of American Revolution, Diane Blasa, the color guard, and the Park & Recreation Department for their involvement in the Veteran's Day dedication at Vaughn Hill Cemetery.

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The Downtown Business and Enrichment Network Groups will have the Christmas Tree lighting in the parking lot between 1<sup>st</sup> Street and Wood River Avenue on Friday, November 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. And on Saturday, November 26<sup>th</sup> the small business Saturday with Santa and the petting zoo will be from 11:00 am to 3:30 p.m. along Ferguson Avenue, sponsored by the Police Association.

The new lighted Library sign is up and running. Mayor Stalcup thanked Dwight Werts and his wife Cheryl, Werts Welding, and Martha Schultz from First-Mid Bank and Trust for their donations for the lighted sign.

Jennifer Raymond, the Resilient Communities Program Manager with Heartlands Conservancy addressed the council regarding the bicycle plan for the city. She stated that they have been a part of several community engagements and events for the city as well as doing a survey to find out the opinions from citizens regarding the bicycle plan. Over the next few weeks work will be done to complete a draft document which will have a list of proposed route segments and cost estimates for each of the segments. The proposed route map and the vision statement are available in council chambers at City Hall.

Fire Chief Wade Stahlhut explained the process of purchasing a new Fire Pumper/Engine to replace Engine No. 4213 through the HGACBuy Program from Sentinel Emergency Solutions Rosenbauer Fire Apparatus. Discussion ensued regarding what is involved in such a large capital item and investment for the City and its taxpayers. He thanked the truck committee and everyone that was a part of the process. See Attachments for more explanation of the process and the purchase of the new Fire Apparatus.

ORDINANCE NO. 22-12: AMENDING PERSONNEL CODE 97-7, RULE 1 INTRODUCTION, TO WHOM THE MANUAL APPLIES AND RULE 9 LEAVES OF ABSENCE, SECTION 9.2 WORKERS' COMPENSATION LEAVE:

Councilman Tweedy moved to approve an ordinance amending Personnel Code 97-7, Rule 1 Introduction, To Whom the Manual Applies and Rule 9 Leave of Absence, Section 9.2 Workers' Compensation Leave, seconded by Councilman Duncan

Councilman Plank how this policy for the City compares with other surrounding municipalities.

Chief Wade Stahlhut stated that the current Workers' Compensation leave accounts for full-time staff. This change in the leave policy will now include Paid on Call Firefighters in the event they would be injured in the line of duty. Other local municipalities have Workers' Compensation policies but they have separate insurance plans for paid on call staff.

Councilwoman Hagaman asked if the employees are Paid On Call Firefighters, how is the Workers' Compensation leave configured. Chief Stahlhut stated it would be configured off their primary employer wages.

the ordinance was approved by the following vote:

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

ORDINANCE 2814: AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT TO PURCHASE COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE FROM WILSON NDUNGU TO PURCHASE THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT PARCEL ID 19-2-08-28-08-203-037, COMMONLY KNOWN AS 1 E FERGUSON, WOOD RIVER, IL 62095 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$50,000.00:

Councilwoman Hagaman moved to approve an ordinance authorizing the mayor to execute a contract to purchase commercial real estate from Wilson Ndungu to purchase the property located at parcel ID 19-2-08-28-08-203-037, commonly known as 1 E Ferguson, Wood River, IL 62095 in the amount of \$50,000.00, seconded by Councilman Tweedy, and approved by the following vote:

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

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ORDINANCE 2815: DECLARING PARCEL ID: 19-2-08-28-08-203-004, COMMONLY KNOWN AS 28 E ACTON, & 19-2-08-258-08-203-003, COMMONLY KNOWN AS 130 WHITELAW, AS SURPLUS AND AUTHORIZING REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS:

Councilwoman Hagaman moved to approve an ordinance declaring parcel ID: 19-2-08-28-08-203-004, commonly known as 28 E Acton, & 19-2-08-258-08-203-003, commonly known as 130 Whitelaw, as surplus and authorizing requests for proposals, as submitted by the Building and Zoning Administrator, seconded by Councilman Duncan

Councilwoman Hagaman asked what the property was zoned for. City Manager Steve Palen stated these are the two lots located directly behind City Hall and believes they are zoned commercial.

the ordinance was approved by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None (0)

ORDINANCE 22-13: APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CITY CODE 90-7 ARTICLE 13: GENERAL OFFENSES. CHAPTER 131: OFFENSES INVOLVING PROPERTY TO ADD SECTION 131.06 OFFENSES CONCERNING PROPERTY: TAMPERING

Councilman Tweedy moved to approve an ordinance amending City Code 90-7 Article 13: General Offenses. Chapter 131: Offenses Involving Property to add Section 131.06 Offenses Concerning Property: Tampering, seconded by Councilwoman Hagaman

Councilman Plank asked for further context on this change. City Manager Palen stated this change was to help deal with the multiple vehicle thefts taking place in the city which are not currently a violation and asked Police Chief Wells to speak further on the ordinance change.

Police Chief Wells stated that the Police Department receives a lot of photographs of individuals walking up and down the street and driveways trying to open vehicle door handles. With this ordinance in place, it will allow for a citation to be issued.

the ordinance was approved by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None (0)

APPROVED – PURCHASE A FIRE PUMPER/ENGINE TO REPLACE ENGINE NO. 4213 THROUGH THE HGACBUY PROGRAM FROM SENTINEL EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS ROSENBAUER FIRE APPARATUS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$932,493.00:

Councilwoman Hagaman moved for approval of a request to purchase a Fire Pumper/Engine to replace Engine No. 4213 through the HGACBuy Program from Sentinel Emergency Solutions Rosenbauer Fire Apparatus in the amount of \$932,493.00, as submitted by the Fire Chief, seconded by Councilman Tweedy, and approved by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None (0)

APPROVED – REQUEST FROM GRAND VIEW HILLS LAD, LLC FOR A REVISION TO THE ORIGINAL PLAT FOR PHASE 2 OF GRAND VIEW HILLS, PARCEL ID #15-2-09-31-01-101-066, 15-2-09-31-01-101-065, 15-2-09-31-01-101-064, 15-2-09-31-01-101-063 AND 15-2-09-31-01-101-084 LOT 63-66 AND R/W OF NATHAN WAY:

The Plan Commission held a public hearing on November 17, 2022 and forwards a favorable recommendation.

Councilwoman Hagaman moved to approve a request from Grand View Hills LAD, LLC for a revision to the original plat for Phase 2 of Grand View Hills, Parcel ID #15-2-09-31-01-101-066, 15-2-09-31-01-101-065, 15-2-09-31-01-101-064, 15-2-09-31-01-101-063 and 15-2-09-31-01-101-084 lot 63-66 and R/W of Nathan Way, seconded by Councilman Duncan, and approved by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None (0)

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APPROVED – REQUEST FROM THE WOOD RIVER ENRICHMENT NETWORK TO PLACE A CHRISTMAS TREE AND DECORATE PLANTERS ON THE CITY PARKING LOT ALONG MADISON AVENUE:

Councilwoman Hagaman moved to approve a request from the Wood River Enrichment Network to place a Christmas tree and decorate planters on the city parking lot along Madison Avenue, seconded by Councilman Tweedy, and approved by the following vote:

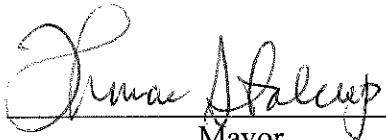
AYES: Duncan, Hagaman, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (5)

NAYS: None (0)

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

  
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Mayor

  
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City Clerk