

December 19, 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, December 19, 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: Sonya Hagaman
Jeremy Plank
Scott Tweedy
Tom Stalcup

ABSENT: Leroy Duncan

and that a quorum was present and in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Tweedy moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of December 5, 2022, as printed, seconded by Councilwoman Hagaman, and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Hagaman, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (4)
NAYS: None (0)

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Councilwoman Hagaman moved to approve the bills submitted for payment for the period December 2 to December 15, 2022, as printed, seconded by Councilman Tweedy, and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Hagaman, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (4)
NAYS: None (0)

FINANCIAL STATEMENT ENDING NOVEMBER 30TH, 2022:

Councilman Tweedy moved for approval of the Financial Statement ending November 30, 2022, as printed, seconded by Councilwoman Hagaman, and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Hagaman, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (4)
NAYS: None (0)

CITIZEN/OFFICIAL COMMENTS:

Bill Dettmers wanted to remind the Council that in 2019 the City approved the 1% sales tax referendum to include property tax relief. In October of 2019, the City changed that referendum to be used exclusively for capital improvements. In February 2020, he asked the City to rescind the ordinance and put it back to what the people approved in April 2019. The City refused to do that so in March 2022, he filed a lawsuit against the City because of the change they made to include the capital improvements.

Sara Sladek stated that the City stinks because of the sewer related problems. The City can no longer blame the refineries. There are times when she is unable to enjoy being outside because of the smell. She explained to Council that City Manager Steve Palen came out to her residence several years ago and he admitted that this is what you get when you buy a home in an older established neighborhood. She would like to know what the plan is for revision of our sewers in the City. She is also tired of seeing trash cans out 7 days a week. She cannot enjoy her neighborhood because people constantly leave their trash cans out on the street.

Mayor Stalcup congratulated Director Jason Woody and Mickey Sabolo for the golf course revenues for the past month which was the highest in 13 years. He also informed residents that they can sign up for the Code Red Emergency Communication Service through Madison County on the City website.

Charles Sheppard with Sheppard, Morgan & Schwab, Inc. gave a presentation and status update on the East End Detention Pond Project.

ORDINANCE 2817: LEVYING A TAX FOR ALL CORPORATE PURPOSES FOR THE CITY OF WOOD RIVER, MADISON COUNTY, ILLINOIS, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR MAY 1, 2022, TO APRIL 30, 2023:

Councilwoman Hagaman moved to approve an ordinance levying a tax for all corporate purposes for the City of Wood River, Madison County, Illinois, for the fiscal year May 1, 2022, to April 30, 2023,

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seconded by Councilman Tweedy

Councilman Plank asked which option the council was approving. City Manager Steve Palen stated that his recommendation was Option C. See attached.

The ordinance was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Hagaman, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (4)
NAYS: None (0)

ORDINANCE 2818: AUTHORIZING A LEVY FOR STREET AND BRIDGE PURPOSES:

Councilwoman Hagaman moved to approve authorizing a levy for street and bridge purposes, seconded by Councilman Tweedy, and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Hagaman, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (4)
NAYS: None (0)

RESOLUTION 1983: DETERMINING TO LEVY A LIBRARY TAX FOR THE MAINTENANCE, REPAIRS AND ALTERATIONS OF THE LIBRARY BUILDING AND EQUIPMENT:

Councilman Tweedy moved to approve a resolution determining to levy a Library Tax for the maintenance, repairs and alterations of the Library Building and Equipment, as submitted by the Library Board of Trustees, seconded by Councilwoman Hagaman

Mayor Stalcup thanked Director Lindsey Herron, her staff and the Library Board for their time and effort spent on preparing the tax levy. City Manager Steve Palen thanked Finance Director Chris Sobrino for his time and effort spent on the tax levy, preparing the different scenarios, and doing a great job.

The resolution was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Hagaman, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (4)
NAYS: None (0)

ORDINANCE 2819: AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF CITY OWNED PROPERTIES LOCATED AT PARCEL ID: 19-2-08-28-08-203-004, COMMONLY KNOWN AS 28 E. ACTON, WOOD RIVER, ILLINOIS & PARCEL ID: 19-2-08-28-08-203-003, COMMONLY KNOWN AS 130 WHITELAW, WOOD RIVER, ILLINOIS TO WRPB LLC, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1.00:

Councilwoman Hagaman moved to approve an ordinance authorizing the sale of City owned properties located at Parcel ID: 19-2-08-28-08-203-004, commonly known as 28 E. Acton, Wood River, Illinois & Parcel ID: 19-2-08-28-08-203-003, commonly known as 130 Whitelaw, Wood River, Illinois to WRPB LLC, in the amount of \$1.00, seconded by Councilman Tweedy, and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Hagaman, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (4)
NAYS: None (0)

APPROVED - REQUEST TO SEEK PROPOSALS FOR AUDITING SERVICES:

Councilman Tweedy moved to approve a request to seek proposals for Auditing Services, as submitted by the Finance Director, seconded by Councilwoman Hagaman, and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Hagaman, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (4)
NAYS: None (0)

CHANGE MEETING DATE DUE TO NEW YEAR'S DAY HOLIDAY:

Councilwoman Hagaman moved to change the next regularly scheduled Council meeting to Tuesday, January 3, 2023, due to the New Year's Day Holiday, seconded by Councilman Tweedy and approved by the following vote:

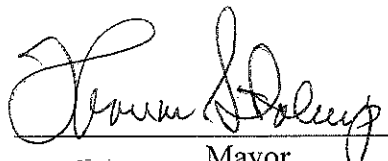
AYES: Hagaman, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (4)
NAYS: None (0)

OLD BUSINESS: None


NEW BUSINESS: None

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ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.



Mayor



City Clerk