

February 5, 2024

A regular meeting of the Wood River City Council was called to order by Mayor Tom Stalcup at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, February 5, 2024, 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: David Ayres  
Bill Dettmers  
Jeremy Plank  
Scott Tweedy  
Tom Stalcup

and that a quorum was present and in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Dettmers moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of January 16, 2024, as printed, seconded by Councilman Tweedy, and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Ayres, Dettmers, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (5)  
NAYS: None (0)

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Councilman Ayres moved to approve the bills submitted for payment for the period January 11, 2024, to January 31, 2024, as printed, seconded by Councilman Plank, and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Ayres, Dettmers, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (5)  
NAYS: None (0)

PRESENTATIONS:

Mayor Stalcup and Police Chief Brad Wells presented the Officer of the Year Award to Dustin Johnson and Telecommunicator of the Year Award to Mindee Pence for 2023.

CITIZEN/CITY OFFICIAL COMMENTS:

Dwight Werts stated that he is the President and CEO of Werts Welding & Tank Service, Inc. His business has been in the City of Wood River for 66 years, and he has seen a lot of changes within the City. He has seen the City go from a vibrant Downtown District to a dying Downtown District and is now seeing the revitalization of the City. He stated that he is seeing a lot of good things happening. He then stated that he has been on the Wood River Business Alliance since its inception, and he hopes that the City takes the opportunity to join other cities and become part of the Main Street Program.

June Gibbs stated that upon her review of the agenda, Item #19 was previously discussed at the December 18, 2023, City Council Meeting. She stated that a presentation was given by a representative from an unknown corporate entity named the Wood River Business Alliance requesting a Letter of Intent to pursue Main Street Affiliation and for the City of Wood River to provide partnership and financial support for a minimum of three years. The representative stated that Wood River Business Alliance was Wood River Economic Development. Ms. Gibbs then stated upon review of the Illinois Secretary of State, there is no corporate entity named Wood River Business Alliance nor is there any record of Wood River Business Alliance being a 501 (c)(3) organization with the IRS. Ms. Gibbs then stated that this unknown entity consists of nine board members with only one being a resident of the City. The primary revenue source would be from the taxpayers of Wood River in the amount of \$75,000.00 over three years. The question needs to be raised, would entering into this agreement be fraud since the organization is presenting themselves as a 501 (c)(3) organization yet there is no record of them with the State and looking to obtain taxpayer money and a legal agreement. Ms. Gibbs then asked did the City vet this entity. She stated that the only information the representative provided at the December 18, 2023, City Council Meeting was generic PowerPoint information about the national organization and nothing on Wood River Business Alliance. The representative did not provide financials, a final determination letter, or grant projections. Until further information is provided on this entity, no agreement should be considered. Ms. Gibbs stated that it is the council members' job to protect the Citizens of Wood River.

Councilman Dettmers gave a special thank you to the TIF Committee made up of the City Manager Steve Palen, Police Chief and Building and Zoning Administrator Brad Wells, and Finance Director

Karen Weber. Councilman Dettmers stated that in the packets provided to Council there was information on the financial viability of the business. The TIF Committee requested a business plan along with sales tax projections. At Councilman Dettmers' request, Finance Director Karen Weber provided sales tax information along with a range of property tax revenue based on varying assessments. Councilman Dettmers thanked the TIF Committee again and stated he understands that this will be a permanent part of the application process in the future. He appreciates the Committee taking the extra steps to give the Council these tools to help them evaluate the TIF applications.

City Manager Steve Palen asked Fire Chief Wade Stahlhut to explain Item #14 on the agenda. Fire Chief Wade Stahlhut explained that the STARS program stands for Special Needs Tracking & Awareness Response System which is a partnership with SSM Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital that will allow the fire department paramedics access to critical patient information, that is part of the patient's specific care plan, during a 9-1-1 emergency. With the City having William BeDell School and other special needs pediatric residents this agreement and program is vital to providing the most appropriate care possible for the patient during their time of need.

Councilman Plank asked if the department has been doing something like this for a long time.

Fire Chief Wade Stahlhut explained that the department has been doing something similar to this but has never had direct access or had the information by patient name. Each patient is given a unique number and during a 9-1-1 incident, the department will have the ability to access that information via that patient number. This will help the department tremendously.

City Manager Steve Palen asked Director of Parks & Recreation Jason Woody to explain Item #10 on the agenda. Director Woody presented the Wood River Recreation Center Price Matrix that includes general information including hours of operation, general rules, and prices that are subject to change based on demand. Director Woody explained each pricing option and explained that the Parks & Recreation Department will be willing to accommodate as necessary. The Wood River Recreation Center Price Matrix is attached herein.

Councilman Plank asked if a Certificate of Insurance is required for reservation play.

Director Woody explained that a Certificate of Insurance is not required for individual reservation play and there will be a calendar available for open play.

Councilman Tweedy asked if Director Woody has been contacted by Wood River High School about the batting cages for baseball.

Director Woody said yes and stated that the schools are excited about the opportunity to use what the Recreation Center has to offer, including potentially hosting tournaments at the new facility.

Councilman Ayres stated that he reviewed the rates and thinks they are very reasonable for what the Recreation Center offers at the present time. Councilman Ayres asked what type of activities will be available for adults besides pickleball, basketball, and volleyball.

Director Woody explained that the Recreation Center will also have group fitness classes, access to the gymnasium during gym hours, a walking track, and discounts on rentals.

Director Woody announced that the Grand Opening for the Wood River Recreation Center is scheduled for Saturday, February 17, 2024. The ribbon cutting ceremony will be held at 11:00 a.m. followed by an open house from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m.

ORDINANCE NO. 24-5: AMENDING THE CITY CODE 90-7, TITLE XIII, GENERAL OFFENSES, ADDING CHAPTER 143: CAMPING ON PUBLIC PROPERTY:

Councilman Ayres moved to approve an ordinance amending the City Code 90-7, Title XIII, General Offenses, Adding Chapter 143: Camping on Public Property, seconded by Councilman Tweedy, and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Ayres, Dettmers, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (5)  
NAYS: None (0)

ORDINANCE NO. 24-6: AMENDING THE CITY CODE 90-7, TITLE XI, BUSINESS REGULATIONS, CHAPTER 113: AMUSEMENTS, SECTION 113.42 APPLICATION, FEE TO INCREASE THE YEARLY LICENSE FEE FOR EACH VIDEO GAMING TERMINAL TO \$250.00:

Councilman Tweedy moved to approve an ordinance amending the City Code 90-7, Title XI,

Business Regulations, Chapter 113: Amusements, Section 113.42 Application, fee to increase the yearly license fee for each video gaming terminal to \$250.00, seconded by Councilman Ayres

Mayor Stalcup explained that the Council has stair-stepped this fee over the last few years. The state upped the maximum fee that municipalities can charge to \$250.00 a few years ago and instead of the City going from \$25.00 per machine to \$250.00 per machine all at once, it was decided to stair-step the fee each year until the \$250.00 fee was reached.

The ordinance was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Ayres, Dettmers, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (5)  
NAYS: None (0)

TABLED - ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY CODE 90-7, TITLE III: ADMINISTRATION, CHAPTER 37: FINANCE AND REVENUE, REPEALING CHAPTERS 37.15 THROUGH 37.20, AND REPLACING WITH CHAPTER 37.15, ENTITLED CITY OF WOOD RIVER PURCHASING MANUAL:

Councilman Plank moved to approve an ordinance amending the City Code 90-7, Title III: Administration, Chapter 37: Finance and Revenue, Repealing Chapters 37.15 through 37.20, and replacing with Chapter 37.15, entitled City of Wood River Purchasing Manual, seconded by Councilman Tweedy

Councilman Dettmers made a motion to table the approval of the ordinance amending the City Code 90-7, Title III: Administration, Chapter 37: Finance and Revenue, Repealing Chapters 37.15 through 37.20, and replacing with Chapter 37.15, entitled City of Wood River Purchasing Manual until the next regularly scheduled City Council Meeting due to not having enough time to get through the Purchasing Manual and discussing the manual with the City Attorneys before casting his vote, seconded by Councilman Ayres, and the ordinance was tabled by the following vote:

AYES: Ayres, Dettmers, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (5)  
NAYS: None (0)

ORDINANCE NO. 2890: AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A REDEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WITH HEATERZ DEVELOPMENT COMPANY LLC FOR TIF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AT 11 W. FERGUSON:

Councilman Ayres moved for approval of an ordinance authorizing the execution of a redevelopment agreement with Heaterz Development Company LLC for TIF Financial Assistance at 11 W. Ferguson, as submitted by the TIF Committee, seconded by Councilman Tweedy

Councilman Dettmers stated that this is a request for \$240,000.00 at the rate of \$30,000.00 a year for eight years. He stated he is in favor of this agreement now that the Council has financial information that is beneficial for their review. He also stated that based on the information provided this business could bring in \$34,000.00 to \$66,000.00 a year in total revenue between sales tax and property tax increases. In addition, he stated that the business is projected to hire twelve full-time employees and eight part-time employees. Councilman Dettmers thanked the TIF Committee for bringing all of the additional information to the Council.

The ordinance was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Ayres, Dettmers, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (5)  
NAYS: None (0)

ORDINANCE NO. 24-7: AMENDING THE CITY CODE 90-7, TITLE IX: GENERAL REGULATIONS, CHAPTER 95: PARKS AND RECREATION, ADDING SECTION 95.05 WOOD RIVER RECREATION CENTER, FOR PURPOSES OF ESTABLISHING RATES AND FEES, AND PROVIDING FURTHER INFORMATION REGARDING THE WOOD RIVER RECREATION CENTER:

Councilman Tweedy moved to approve an ordinance amending the City Code 90-7, Title IX: General Regulations, Chapter 95: Parks and Recreation, Adding Section 95.05 Wood River Recreation Center, for purposes of establishing rates and fees, and providing further information regarding the Wood River Recreation Center, seconded by Councilman Ayres, and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Ayres, Dettmers, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (5)  
NAYS: None (0)

RESOLUTION NO. 2031: AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH MORAN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FOR TECHNICAL SERVICES AND ASSISTANCE WITH THE RIVERBEND ENTERPRISE ZONE:

Councilman Dettmers moved to approve a resolution authorizing the execution of an agreement with Moran Economic Development for technical services and assistance with the Riverbend Enterprise Zone, as submitted by the City Manager, seconded by Councilman Ayres

Councilman Ayres stated that the two parcels included are small parcels and asked if there is a way the City can do this in house. City Manager Steve Palen stated that not only do other communities need to be contacted, but legal descriptions need to be generated. Moran Economic Development wrote the County's Enterprise Zone rules and regulations, and many communities use them for this service. He also noted that no one on staff has the time or expertise to take on this project.

The resolution was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Ayres, Dettmers, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (5)  
NAYS: None (0)

ORDINANCE NO. 2891: APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE RIVERBEND ENTERPRISE ZONE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT:

Councilman Plank moved to approve an ordinance amending the Riverbend Enterprise Zone Intergovernmental Agreement, seconded by Councilman Tweedy, and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Ayres, Dettmers, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (5)  
NAYS: None (0)

ORDINANCE NO. 2892: APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE NO. 2434 TO AMEND TERRITORY OF THE RIVERBEND ENTERPRISE ZONE:

Councilman Ayres moved to approve an ordinance amending Ordinance No. 2434 to amend territory of the Riverbend Enterprise Zone, seconded by Councilman Dettmers, and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Ayres, Dettmers, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (5)  
NAYS: None (0)

RESOLUTION NO. 2032: AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A SPECIAL NEEDS TRACKING AND AWARENESS RESPONSE SYSTEM (STARS) AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF WOOD RIVER AND SSM HEALTH CARDINAL GLENNON CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL:

Councilman Tweedy moved to approve a resolution authorizing the execution of a Special Needs Tracking and Awareness Response System (STARS) Agreement between the City of Wood River and SSM Health Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital, as submitted by the Fire Chief, seconded by Councilman Dettmers, and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Ayres, Dettmers, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (5)  
NAYS: None (0)

RESOLUTION NO. 2033: ENDORSING THE GREAT RIVERS & ROUTES TOURISM BUREAU AS THE STATE CERTIFIED BUREAU FOR THIS REGION:

Councilman Ayres moved to approve a resolution endorsing the Great Rivers & Routes Tourism Bureau as the State Certified Bureau for this region, as submitted by the City Manager, seconded by Councilman Tweedy

Councilman Ayres stated that he has seen publications at rest stops and locally; however, Wood River has nothing to offer, no tourism and nothing to drive people here. He stated that people drive through town to go elsewhere. Councilman Ayres then asked why the City is spending this money and what benefits the City will receive in return.

City Manager Steve Palen stated that there are things that bring people to Wood River, particularly the downtown area and destinations downtown including the eating establishments and things of that nature along with the newer businesses.

Councilman Ayres stated that this is a publication for people outside of the community and surrounding areas, and the City is not going to have someone from Indiana driving through the area that will stop in Downtown Wood River.

City Manager Steve Palen clarified that the resolution on the agenda is agreeing that the Great Rivers & Routes Tourism Bureau be certified by the State for this region. He stated that while the City does pay a fee to the Great Rivers & Routes Tourism Bureau, this is a separate item.

Councilman Dettmers asked if the Council will get to vote on the expenditure of that item.

City Manager Steve Palen said that it is a budgeted item and will be brought before Council as an expense.

Mayor Stalcup stated that the President of Great Rivers & Routes, Cory Jobe, always mentions Wood River in his presentations and he sells the Alton, Wood River, and Riverbend area as a destination spot. Mayor Stalcup stated that he sees no issue with how the Great Rivers & Routes Tourism Bureau brings attention to Wood River. He then agreed that Wood River needs a destination spot, and he is open to ideas. City Manager Steve Palen stated that Belk Park Golf Course brings people into town, and the City is working on a Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan as well as a potential kayak station at Helmkamp Lake in an effort to bring more people to Wood River.

The resolution was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Ayres, Dettmers, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (5)  
NAYS: None (0)

RESOLUTION NO. 2034: AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN APPLICATION FOR THE 2024 PARK COMMISSION PEP GRANT FUNDS FROM MADISON COUNTY FOR \$57,552.00:

Councilman Ayres moved to approve a resolution authorizing the execution of an application for the 2024 Park Commission PEP Grant funds from Madison County for \$57,552.00, as submitted by the Director of Parks & Recreation, seconded by Councilman Dettmers, and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Ayres, Dettmers, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (5)  
NAYS: None (0)

RESOLUTION NO. 2035: AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A SETTLEMENT, MUTUAL RELEASE, AND NON-DISPARAGEMENT AGREEMENT WITH SPORTSMAN SOLUTIONS, LC:

Councilman Tweedy moved to approve a resolution authorizing the execution of a Settlement, Mutual Release, and Non-Disparagement Agreement with Sportsman Solutions, LC, as submitted by the City Manager, seconded by Councilman Plank

Mayor Stalcup stated that this is an agreement that the City came to with Sportsman Solutions, LC. The City previously tried to raise funds and sponsorships for the Recreation Center; however, it became difficult so it was agreed that the City would dissolve the original agreement with Sportsman Solutions, LC.

The resolution was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Ayres, Dettmers, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (5)  
NAYS: None (0)

RESOLUTION NO. 2036: AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A BEVERAGE SALES AND SPONSORSHIP AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF WOOD RIVER AND PEPSICO BEVERAGE SALES, LLC, IN SUPPORT OF ALL FACILITIES OWNED OR OPERATED BY THE CITY OF WOOD RIVER:

Councilman Ayres moved to approve a resolution authorizing the execution of a beverage sales and sponsorship agreement between the City of Wood River and PepsiCo Beverage Sales, LLC, in support of all facilities owned or operated by the City of Wood River, as submitted by the Director of Parks & Recreation, seconded by Councilman Plank, and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Ayres, Dettmers, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (5)  
NAYS: None (0)

TABLED – RESOLUTION OFFERING FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR THE NEXT THREE YEARS TO THE WOOD RIVER BUSINESS ALLIANCE, A MAIN STREET ORGANIZATION:

Councilman Tweedy moved to approve a resolution offering financial support for the next three years to the Wood River Business Alliance, a Main Street Organization, as submitted by the City Manager, seconded by Councilman Ayres

Councilman Dettmers stated that at the beginning of the meeting, the Council was given a handout claiming that the Wood River Business Alliance has no filings with the Illinois Secretary of State's Office. He then asked if anyone from the City requested documentation to verify the Wood River Business Alliance charter.

City Manager Steve Palen and Mayor Stalcup stated that they did not request any additional documents.

Councilman Dettmers stated that the council members received their packets on Thursday, and on Friday morning he called and asked for a copy of the IRS Form 990, which has to be filed for a not-for-profit organization each year. He stated that he has still not received the documentation. In addition, he has received numerous requests to vote against this item from both individuals and business people. He stated that on December 18, 2023, he expressed his concern about the division of the City between the Wood River Business Alliance and some of the businesses in town. He feels that more time is needed to heal their differences, and he does not think six weeks is long enough.

Councilman Dettmers made a motion to table the approval of a resolution offering financial support for the next three years to the Wood River Business Alliance, a Main Street Organization, as submitted by the City Manager, seconded by Councilman Ayres, and the resolution was tabled by the following vote:

AYES: Ayres, Dettmers, Plank (3)  
NAYS: Tweedy, Stalcup (2)

RESOLUTION NO. 2037: ISSUING A "G" RESTAURANT/BAR LIQUOR LICENSE TO ESPERANZITA LLC, ON BEHALF OF MI PUEBLITO CANTINA:

Councilman Ayres moved to approve a resolution issuing a "G" Restaurant/Bar Liquor License to Esperanzita LLC, on behalf of Mi Pueblito Cantina, seconded by Councilman Tweedy

Councilman Dettmers asked for an explanation of what a "G" license is. City Clerk Danielle Sneed explained that it is the classification of that particular license. Class "G" is the Restaurant/Bar Liquor License.

The resolution was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Ayres, Dettmers, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (5)  
NAYS: None (0)

RESOLUTION NO. 2038: WAIVING COMPETITIVE BIDDING REQUIREMENTS AND APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH UTILITRA FOR THE PURCHASE OF LPR SYSTEMS FOR PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY:

Councilman Dettmers moved to approve a resolution waiving competitive bidding requirements and approving and authorizing the execution of an agreement with Utilitra for the purchase of LPR Systems for public health and safety, as submitted by the Police Chief, seconded by Councilman Tweedy

Councilman Ayres requested that Police Chief Brad Wells give the Council an explanation as to why the bid requirements were being waived. Police Chief Brad Wells assured the Council that this agreement is a Federal GSA Contract and therefore does not require bidding.

The resolution was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Ayres, Dettmers, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (5)  
NAYS: None (0)

RECOMMENDATION FROM MAYOR STALCUP TO APPOINT SONYA HAGAMAN OF 509 GEORGE STREET TO THE LIBRARY BOARD WITH A TERM TO EXPIRE MAY 2025:

Councilman Ayres moved to approve a recommendation from Mayor Stalcup to appoint Sonya Hagaman of 509 George Street to the Library Board with a term to expire May 2025, seconded by Councilman Tweedy

Councilman Ayres made a motion to table the recommendation from Mayor Stalcup to appoint Sonya Hagaman of 509 George Street to the Library Board with a term to expire May 2025, seconded by Councilman Dettmers

Mayor Stalcup asked Councilman Ayres the reason for his motion to table this item, as the State Statute mandates this Board have nine members. Councilman Ayres stated that there have been many discussions on the ramifications of commissioners.

The motion to table the recommendation was denied by the following vote:

AYES: Ayres, Dettmers (2)  
NAYS: Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (3)

The recommendation from Mayor Stalcup to appoint Sonya Hagaman of 509 George Street to the Library Board with a term to expire May 2025 was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Ayres, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (4)  
NAYS: Dettmers (1)

RECOMMENDATION FROM MAYOR STALCUP TO APPOINT MAGGIE DILLINGER OF 360 12<sup>TH</sup> STREET TO THE LIBRARY BOARD WITH A TERM TO EXPIRE MAY 2026:

Councilman Tweedy moved to approve a recommendation from Mayor Stalcup to appoint Maggie Dillinger of 360 12<sup>th</sup> Street to the Library Board with a term to expire May 2026, seconded by Councilman Plank

Councilman Ayres made a motion to table the recommendation from Mayor Stalcup to appoint Maggie Dillinger of 360 12<sup>th</sup> Street to the Library Board with a term to expire May 2026, seconded by Councilman Dettmers

The motion to table the recommendation was denied by the following vote:

AYES: Ayres, Dettmers (2)  
NAYS: Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (3)

The recommendation from Mayor Stalcup to appoint Maggie Dillinger of 360 12<sup>th</sup> Street to the Library Board with a term to expire May 2026 was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Ayres, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (4)  
NAYS: Dettmers (1)

APPROVED: REQUEST TO ACCEPT THE PROPOSAL FROM SCHULTE SUPPLY, INC. TO ASSIST THE CITY WITH A LEAD SERVICE LINE INVENTORY THAT WILL BE CONDUCTED IN RESPONSE TO EPA'S LEAD AND COPPER RULE:

Councilman Tweedy moved to approve the request to accept the proposal from Schulte Supply, Inc. to assist the City with a lead service line inventory that will be conducted in response to EPA's Lead and Copper Rule, as submitted by the City Manager, seconded by Councilman Plank

Discussion ensued regarding the process of the lead service line inventory and how the rule was implemented by the EPA and the City has until April 15, 2024, to have the inventory completed. The Public Services Department has gone door to door but there are still thousands of lines that have not been checked and the City needs assistance finishing the inventory. The City put out a request for proposals but did not receive any proposals at that time. Schulte Supply, Inc. has submitted a proposal for \$50,000.00 and the City is receiving a \$40,000.00 grant to complete the inventory. City Manager Steve Palen clarified that once this inventory is completed, the City will not have to do another inventory. He also clarified that if lead lines are found, at the City's expense, the lines will have to be replaced.

The request was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Ayres, Dettmers, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (5)  
NAYS: None (0)

APPROVED: REQUEST TO SEEK BIDS FOR THE 2024-25 MFT STREET MAINTENANCE MATERIALS PROGRAM:

Councilman Tweedy moved to approve the request to seek bids for the 2024-25 MFT Street Maintenance Materials Program, as submitted by the City Manager, seconded by Councilman Ayres

Councilman Dettmers asked for an explanation of this item.

City Manager Steve Palen explained that every year the City uses MFT funds to buy materials like coal patch, hot mix, guardrails, and a variety of material including salt. This is for the approval to seek bids on those materials.

The request was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Ayres, Dettmers, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (5)  
NAYS: None (0)

SOLICIT – WOOD RIVER KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS – APPROVED:

Councilman Dettmers moved to approve a request from Wood River Knights of Columbus to solicit at the intersection of Wood River Avenue and Penning Avenue on Saturday, September 21, 2024, from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm in accordance with City Policy, seconded by Councilman Ayres, and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Ayres, Dettmers, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (5)  
NAYS: None (0)

SOLICIT – VFW POST 2859 – APPROVED:

Councilman Tweedy moved to approve a request from VFW Post 2859 to solicit at the intersection of Wood River Avenue and Penning Avenue on Saturday, May 4, 2024, from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm in accordance with City Policy, seconded by Councilman Plank, and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Ayres, Dettmers, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (5)  
NAYS: None (0)

SET PUBLIC HEARING ON MS4 PERMIT:

Councilman Dettmers moved to approve setting a Public Hearing on the City's MS4 Permit (Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems) for Monday, March 4, 2024, at 7:00pm before the regularly scheduled council meeting, seconded by Councilman Ayres

Councilman Dettmers asked for an explanation of this item.

City Manager Steve Palen explained that as a part of the City's NPDS permit, the City is required to do this on a yearly basis explaining what the MS4 Permit is.

The setting of the Public Hearing was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Ayres, Dettmers, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (5)  
NAYS: None (0)

SET PUBLIC HEARING ON 2024-25 PROPOSED BUDGET:

Councilman Ayres moved to approve setting a Public Hearing on the 2024-25 Proposed Budget for Monday, March 18, 2024, at 7:00pm before the regularly scheduled Council Meeting, seconded by Councilman Tweedy

Councilman Ayres made a motion to amend the approval of setting a Public Hearing on the 2024-25 Proposed Budget to include scheduling a Work Session for the 2024-25 Proposed Budget for Saturday, March 9, 2024, at 9:00am, seconded by Councilman Dettmers, and the amendment was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Ayres, Dettmers, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (5)  
NAYS: None (0)

The approval of setting a Public Hearing on the Proposed Budget for Monday, March 18, 2024, at 7:00pm before the regularly scheduled Council Meeting, with the amendment, was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Ayres, Dettmers, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (5)  
NAYS: None (0)



CHANGE MEETING DATE:

Councilman Dettmers moved to change the next regularly scheduled Council meeting to Tuesday, February 20, 2024, due to the President's Day Holiday, seconded by Councilman Tweedy and approved by the following vote:

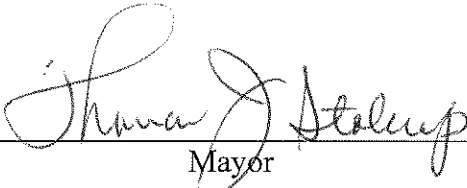
AYES: Ayres, Dettmers, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (5)

NAYS: None (0)

OLD BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS: NONE

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

  
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Mayor

  
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City Clerk