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AGENDA

A regular meeting of the Wood River City Council was called to order by Mayor Tom Stalcup at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, April 15, 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.

Mayor Stalcup announced the passing of Leroy Duncan. Leroy graduated from East Alton Wood River High School in 1966 and he served in the Navy and fought in the Vietnam War. Leroy was a member of the East Alton Wood River School Board for 23 years, he served two terms on the Wood River City Council, he was a long-time member of the City of Wood River Building and Zoning Committee, and for 54 years, Leroy was a life-time member of the VFW serving 40 years as the Commander. Leroy dedicated his life to our community and to the City of Wood River. Our hearts go out to his wife Linda, his son Kyle, and the rest of his family.

Mayor Stalcup asked for a Moment of Silence to honor Leroy Duncan.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Dettmers moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of April 1, 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 March 28, 2024, to April 10, 2024, as printed, seconded by Councilman Plank, and approved by the following vote:

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

FINANCIAL STATEMENT ENDING MARCH 31, 2024:

Councilman Tweedy moved to approve the Financial Statement ending March 31, 2024, as printed, seconded by Councilman Ayres, and approved by the following vote:

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

OATH OF OFFICE:

City Clerk Danielle Sneed administered the Oath of Office to newly appointed Probationary Police Officer Katherine Castelli.

CITIZEN/CITY OFFICIAL COMMENTS:

Gary Wallace stated that April is a very significant historical month in American History. He read a narrative of the minute man response on April 19, 1775, after the historic midnight ride of Paul Revere on April 18, 1775. He read from the book titled Global Gun Grab: The United Nations Campaign to Disarm Americans by William Norman Grigg published in 2001. The author dedicated the book to the Heroes of United Flight 93: Let's Roll.

REPORTS/COMMENTS FROM CITY OFFICIALS:

Mayor Stalcup read Letters of Commendation addressed to Officer Nathan Hawkins from Police Chief Brad Wells and to Engineer/Paramedic Tyler Staicoff from Fire Chief Wade Stahlhut.

Mayor Stalcup announced that April 14th through April 20th is Telecommunicator Week. Mayor Stalcup thanked the Wood River Police Department's Telecommunication Personnel who serve six communities and guide all public safety personnel 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

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Congratulations to 1929 Pizza and Wine for being chosen as one of the top St. Louis Restaurants. The City is thrilled to see the restaurant being recognized for their exceptional food.

The City of Wood River welcomes Waterman's Floral Designs who has moved into the Jeffrey's Flowers by Design location on Wesley Drive.

The City-Wide Cleanup and Shred Day with Senator Erica Harriss will be held on Saturday, April 20, 2024, from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at the Wood River Police Department.

Mayor Stalcup congratulated the Wood River Business Alliance for being chosen as a Main Street Organization. The City looks forward to working together with the Business Alliance to grow Wood River's economy. He asked Kristen Burns to come forward to give a summary on the Main Street Organization.

Kristen Burns is proud to announce that the Wood River Business Alliance was one of five communities chosen to be a Main Street Organization. In the past year, the Wood River Business Alliance has worked hard to adopt the Main Street Approach incorporating the four points of economic vitality, promotions, organization, and beautification into their organization. She looks forward to the many opportunities, programs, services, and networking benefits that Main Street has to offer. The Wood River Business Alliance was up against some big competition, and she is very proud to announce that they were chosen. The Lieutenant Governor will be in town in the coming weeks for the ribbon cutting at the Wood River Business Alliance's new office with City Officials and County Members. She thanked Chief Wells, City Manager Steve Palen, Mayor Stalcup, Councilman Tweedy, and Councilman Plank for supporting the Wood River Business Alliance. She also thanked Councilman Ayres for attending meetings and events that the Wood River Business Alliance has hosted. Downtown Wood River is continuing to thrive. She stated that there have been three buildings in the last week that have either been leased or contracted for purchase for new and exciting businesses, including the Wood River Business Alliance's office at 61 E. Ferguson. The Wood River Business Alliance is excited to welcome Second Hand Barrel Company, Quig Sports Emporium, and Joy's Signature Pies Downtown all opening in the coming months. She also welcomed Waterman's Floral Designs to the City of Wood River. She thanked all the amazing businesses and individual partners that have joined the Wood River Business Alliance, and they look forward to working together to grow Wood River. In the coming weeks, Kristen Burns will be working with various City employees to be sure that the progress that has been made marketing the community continues as she moves to the role of Director of Main Street. She is very proud of what has been accomplished including redeveloping the City of Wood River's website, creating social media pages, improving communication and transparency for residents, creating an e-newsletter and community calendar, and volunteer opportunities. She is honored to have worked with the City Officials and she appreciates the opportunity to move the community forward. She thanked the City for having confidence in her and her abilities to make Wood River a better community for everyone and she looks forward to continuing to work closely with City Officials in her new role as Executive Director of Main Street.

Mayor Stalcup announced that the Ice Cream Social will be held on Sunday, July 14, 2024, from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at Central Park.

The Wood River Appearance Board has added four new flower planters Downtown and would like to remind citizens to please not put trash in the planters.

Congratulations to Belk Park Golf Course Manager Mickey Sabolo and his staff for breaking the \$1,000,000 mark in revenue for the first time since the 2007-2008 season.

City Manager Steve Palen introduced Rhonda Breslin from Republic Services. Ms. Breslin is the City of Wood River's Sales Manager. Ms. Breslin gave a Fall 2023 Industry Update. The presentation is available in the City Clerk's Office at City Hall. Ms. Breslin was excited to announce that a new permanent driver has been hired to service the City of Wood River's residences. She is hopeful that this will reduce service delays and interruptions.

ORDINANCE NO. 24-13: AMENDING THE CITY CODE 90-7, TITLE VII: TRAFFIC CODE, CHAPTER 76: PARKING SCHEDULES, SCHEDULE IV: PARKING TIME LIMITS ON CERTAIN STREETS:

Councilman Ayres moved to approve an ordinance amending the City Code 90-7, Title VII: Traffic Code, Chapter 76: Parking Schedules, Schedule IV: Parking Time Limits on Certain Streets removing the parking signs between Acton Avenue and Ferguson Avenue, as recommended by the

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Traffic Commission, seconded by Councilman Tweedy, and approved by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None (0)

ORDINANCE NO. 24-14: AMENDING THE CITY CODE 90-7, TITLE XI: BUSINESS REGULATIONS, CHAPTER 112: ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, SECTION 112.25 LIMIT ON NUMBER OF LICENSES:

Councilman Plank moved to approve an ordinance amending the City Code 90-7, Title XI: Business Regulations, Chapter 112: Alcoholic Beverages, Section 112.25 Limit on Number of Licenses, (E) changing the number of restaurant (beer and wine only) licenses in District 2 from two to three and (H) changing the number of early licenses in District 2 from three to four, seconded by Councilman Ayres

Councilman Dettmers asked for clarification on the location of District 2.

City Manager Steve Palen explained that District 1 is Downtown and District 2 is everywhere else.

The ordinance was approved by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None (0)

MAYOR PRO-TEM:

Councilman Stalcup moved to approve electing Councilman Jeremy Plank as Mayor Pro-Tem for the 2024-2025 Fiscal Year, seconded by Councilman Tweedy, and approved by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None (0)

APPROVED: REQUEST TO SEEK BIDS TO REPLACE THE CONCRETE ROLLED CURB AND GUTTER ALONG COLONIAL DRIVE:

Councilman Tweedy moved to approve a request to seek bids to replace the concrete rolled curb and gutter along Colonial Drive, as submitted by the Director of Public Services, seconded by Councilman Ayres

Councilman Plank asked for clarification on where Colonial Drive is located.

City Manager Steve Palen stated Colonial Drive is directly behind the StorCo Storage property and off Virginia Avenue. He explained that for a long time, Colonial Drive was thought to be a private roadway, but through records and research, the City has determined that it is a public roadway and it is the City's responsibility to repair and maintain.

The request was approved by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None (0)

APPROVED: REQUEST FROM THE GREATER MADISON COUNTY FEDERATION OF LABOR, AFL-CIO TO HOLD THE ANNUAL LABOR DAY PARADE ON WOOD RIVER AVENUE FROM THE ROUNDHOUSE TO THE NORTHERN CITY LIMITS ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 24, 2024, BEGINNING AT 10:00AM:

Councilman Dettmers moved to approve a request from the Greater Madison County Federation of Labor, AFL-CIO to hold the Annual Labor Day Parade on Wood River Avenue from the Roundhouse to the Northern City Limits on Saturday, August 24, 2024, beginning at 10:00 a.m., seconded by Councilman Tweedy, and approved by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None (0)

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APPROVED: REQUEST FROM THE WOOD RIVER BUSINESS ALLIANCE TO USE THE DOWNTOWN PARKING LOT FROM MADISON AVENUE TO FIRST STREET ON THURSDAY EVENINGS FROM 3:00 P.M. TO DUSK FOR THE 2024 FARMERS MARKET SEASON BEGINNING THURSDAY, JUNE 6, 2024, AND ENDING THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2024:

Councilman Tweedy moved to approve a request from the Wood River Business Alliance to use the Downtown Parking Lot from Madison Avenue to First Street on Thursday evenings from 3:00 p.m. to dusk for the 2024 Farmers Market Season beginning Thursday, June 6, 2024, and ending Thursday, September 19, 2024, seconded by Councilman Ayres, and approved by the following vote:

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

APPROVED – ANNUAL BIKE RAMBLE ON FRIDAY, JUNE 14, 2024:

Councilman Ayres moved to approve a request to hold the Annual Bike Ramble beginning and ending at Central Park on Friday, June 14, 2024, at 7:30 p.m., as submitted by the Director of Parks and Recreation, seconded by Councilman Tweedy, and approved by the following vote:

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

APPROVED: REQUEST FROM THE WOOD RIVER BUSINESS ALLIANCE TO USE CENTRAL PARK AND THE BANDSTAND ON FRIDAY, JUNE 14, 2024, FOR MOVIES IN THE PARK FOLLOWING THE WOOD RIVER BIKE RAMBLE FROM 7:00 P.M. TO 11:00 P.M.:

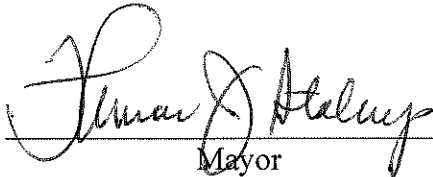
Councilman Dettmers moved to approve a request from the Wood River Business Alliance to use Central Park and the Bandstand on Friday, June 14, 2024, for Movies in the Park following the Wood River Bike Ramble from 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m., seconded by Councilman Ayres, and approved by the following vote:

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 7:41 p.m.



Mayor



City Clerk