

September 3, 2024

AGENDA

A regular meeting of the Wood River City Council was called to order by Mayor Tom Stalcup at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 3, 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 Ayres moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of August 19, 2024, as printed, seconded by Councilman Dettmers, and approved by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None (0)

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Councilman Tweedy moved to approve the bills submitted for payment for the period August 15, 2024, to August 28, 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 presented an Appearance Award for the month of September to:

Phillip & Heather Generally 699 Leslie

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

Bill Rogers stated that occasionally the subject of electric aggregation comes up in the City Council Meetings. He added that this is a continuing problem because not only has it happened to him, but it has also happened to others. When Mr. Rogers got his July Ameren bill it had doubled from what it was in June, and he discovered why after reviewing the monthly statement. The City of Wood River changed Mr. Rogers to a more expensive provider, and he was not informed of the change in electric providers or how to opt out. Mr. Rogers stated that the citizens should have to opt in, not opt out. He then asked if the City switched him to Constellation, which is a company that has been discussed during City Council Meetings. He received his billing statement for September, and the amounts for July and August doubled, approximating the amount he claims the City took out of his account two years ago and refused to return the money. He asked the City Council who will pay his bill and when they will fix this change, which was done without his consent. Mr. Rogers stated that he expects a lien waiver and because of pending lawsuits, he expects a statement that if the City does this, it will not settle all claims against the City, and if that is the City's intent it will cost them a lot more than this bill. The amount mentioned previously had evolved into one of two pending lawsuits against the City of Wood River. Mr. Rogers then stated that if the City Council wants to discuss the lawsuits they will need to talk to his attorney. Mr. Rogers contacted Riverbend Family Ministries and LIHEAP to get help, but they refused.

CITY OFFICIAL COMMENTS:

Mayor Stalcup read a congratulatory letter from Police Chief Brad Wells to Officer Katherine Castelli for graduating from Southwestern Illinois College Police Academy.

Mayor Stalcup stated the Farmer's Market continues to be open on Thursdays from 4:00 p.m. until dusk. The Farmer's Market is in the downtown parking lot on Madison Avenue. The last day for the Farmer's Market is Thursday, September 19, 2024.

Councilman Dettmers stated that City employees need to be more diligent about relaying information to the City Council.

ORDINANCE NO. 2907: ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A REDEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WITH LISA SCOGGINS, ON BEHALF OF FULL DECK PRINT & DESIGN, FOR TIF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AT 648 N. WOOD RIVER AVENUE:

Councilman Dettmers moved to approve an ordinance authorizing the execution of a Redevelopment Agreement with Lisa Scoggins, on behalf of Full Deck Print & Design, for TIF

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Financial Assistance at 648 N. Wood River Avenue, as submitted by the TIF Committee, seconded by Councilman Plank, and approved by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None (0)

ORDINANCE NO. 2908: ORDINANCE AMENDING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A REDEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WITH DAKTER HOLDINGS LLC, FOR TIF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AT 1 E. FERGUSON:

Councilman Plank moved to approve an ordinance amending and authorizing the execution of a Redevelopment Agreement with Dakter Holdings LLC, for TIF Financial Assistance at 1 E. Ferguson, as submitted by the TIF Committee, seconded by Councilman Tweedy, and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Ayres, Plank, Tweedy, Stalcup (4)

NAYS: None (0)

ABSTAIN: Dettmers (1)

RESOLUTION NO. 2081: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A SPONSORSHIP AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF WOOD RIVER AND ALLSTATE INSURANCE AGENT JOHN STANDEFER FOR MARKETING IN SUPPORT OF THE WOOD RIVER RECREATION CENTER:

Councilman Tweedy moved to approve a resolution authorizing the execution of a sponsorship agreement between the City of Wood River and Allstate Insurance Agent John Standefer for marketing in support of the Wood River Recreation Center, as submitted by the Director of Parks & Recreation, seconded by Councilman Ayres, and approved by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None (0)

RESOLUTION NO. 2082: RESOLUTION ISSUING A "G" RESTAURANT/BAR LIQUOR LICENSE TO EL PATIO 1822, LLC, ON BEHALF OF EL MICHOACAN:

Councilman Ayres moved to approve a resolution issuing a "G" Restaurant/Bar Liquor License to El Patio 1822, LLC, on behalf of El Michoacan, seconded by Councilman Tweedy, and approved by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None (0)

APPROVED: RECOMMENDATION FROM MAYOR STALCUP TO APPOINT ROBIN KARPAN OF 75 E. JENNINGS TO THE LIBRARY BOARD TO REPLACE CATHI STALCUP WITH A TERM TO EXPIRE MAY 2027:

Councilman Ayres moved to approve a recommendation from Mayor Stalcup to appoint Robin Karpan of 75 E. Jennings to the Library Board to replace Cathi Stalcup with a term to expire May 2027, seconded by Councilman Dettmers, and approved by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None (0)

APPROVED: REQUEST TO ACCEPT THE BID FROM SCHULTE SUPPLY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$209.95 PER LOCATION, NOT TO EXCEED \$50,000.00 FOR HYDRO EXCAVATING:

Councilman Tweedy moved to approve a request to accept the bid from Schulte Supply in the amount of \$209.95 per location, not to exceed \$50,000.00 for hydro excavating, as submitted by the Director of Public Services, seconded by Councilman Plank, and approved by the following vote:

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

NAYS: None (0)

APPROVED: REQUEST FROM EAWR HIGH SCHOOL – WRESTLING TO SOLICIT AT THE INTERSECTION OF WOOD RIVER AVENUE & PENNING AVENUE ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2024, FROM 8:00 A.M. TO 4:00 P.M. IN ACCORDANCE WITH CITY POLICY:

Councilman Plank moved to approve a request from EAWR High School – Wrestling to solicit at the intersection of Wood River Avenue & Penning Avenue on Saturday, September 14, 2024, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in accordance with City Policy, seconded by Councilman Dettmers, and approved by the following vote:

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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 was adjourned at 7:13 p.m.



Mayor



City Clerk