

**City of Wyoming
January 17, 2023
Venue: Paramount Theater
Council Meeting**

The Regular Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor Pat Maher at 6:02 p.m. Those in attendance pledged their Allegiance to the Flag. The Wyoming Illinois City Council met Tuesday, January 17, 2023, at the Paramount Theater located at 104 S. 7th Street, Wyoming IL. Roll call was taken and Alderpersons Ginger Carlisle, Kathy Hardy, Jim Mercer, Dave Lindahl, Dan Hardman, and Steve Hansard were present.

This Consent Agenda included the following items which covers two months of business. Last month's vote did not pass due to the lack of 1 aye vote.

A. Minutes from the November 15, 2022, and December 20, 2022 Regular Council Meetings, September 26, 2022 TIF Committee Meeting for Ernie Unhold Application, December 9, 2022 TIF Committee Meeting for Marcus Wilson Application, and December 12, 2022 Finance Committee Meeting regarding the Employees Retirement Plan.

B. Treasurer's report: General Operation and CD's balance of \$2,736,269.83

C. Staff Reports:

Denny Rewerts, Economic Development Advisor presented TIF 1 Beautification Application for Melody Anderson to be approve by the City Council. It was reviewed by our TIF Attorney at Jacob & Klein and confirmed that it complies with the requirements of FY 2018 Downtown Beautification Incentive Program in Wyoming TIF 1.

The motion was made by Ald. Hansard to approve the Consent Agenda and was seconded by Ald. Mercer. **Discussion: None. Roll call vote was made (5-1) 5 ayes by Ald. Hardy, Carlisle, Lindahl, Hardman, Hansard and (1) Abstain by Ald. Mercer and the motion passed.**

Bills and Claims were presented totaling **\$115,103.53**. The motion was made by Ald. Carlisle to accept the Bills and Claims and seconded by Ald. Hardman. Discussion: **None. Roll call vote (6-0) all ayes by Ald. Hansard, Hardman, Lindahl, Mercer, Carlisle, Hardy, and the motion passed.**

Citizens wishing to be heard: None at this time.

New Business:

Consideration of Resolution No. 22/23-34 Authorizing the donation of \$1000.00 to the Stark County Parents Club to sponsor funding for a Read-a-Thon, “Reading under the Big Top”, to encourage each child to read. The motion was made by Ald. Carlisle to approve this Resolution and seconded by Ald. Hardman. **Discussion:** SCES Parent’s Club officer Megan Lane added that these funds benefit the Stark County Elementary School by strengthening the students educational experience through different opportunities made possible through fundraising and donations. **Roll call vote (6-0) all ayes by Ald. Mercer, Lindahl, Hardman, Hansard, Hardy, Carlisle, and the motion passed.**

Consideration of Ordinance No. 22/23-35 Authorizing the Execution of a TIF Redevelopment Agreement by and between the City of Wyoming and **Ernst Unhold for a Grant of \$13,000.00 and Loan of \$5,000.00 at an interest rate of 2% for 3 years.** **Discussion:** Ald. Hansard asked for an update on talking with IDOT to fix the standing water issue in front of the Unhold garage and our downtown sidewalk. Superintendent Joe Kinsella stated that they took a survey and submitted it to the state and are waiting to hear from them. **Roll call vote (5-1) 5 ayes from Ald. Hardman, Hansard, Hardy, Carlisle, Lindahl, and (1) Abstain from Ald. Mercer and the motion passed.**

Consideration of Ordinance No. 22/23-36 Authorizing the Execution of a TIF Redevelopment Agreement by and between the City of Wyoming and **Marcus Wilson for a Grant of \$13,000.00.** The motion was made by Ald. Carlisle and seconded by Ald. Hardman. **Discussion: None: Roll call vote (5-1) 5 ayes by Ald. Hardy, Hardman, Carlisle, Lindahl, Hansard, and (1) Abstain by Ald. Mercer and the motion passed.**

Consideration of Resolution No. 22/23-37 Authorizing the IEPA to make a progress loan distribution No. 5 to Leander Construction, Inc. from Loan L17-5608 for a total of \$12,559.10. This includes stored materials, administrative costs, piping, electrical, and demolition. The motion was made by Ald. Hardman to approve this Resolution and seconded by Ald. Carlisle. **Discussion: None. Roll call vote all ayes (6-0) by Ald. Hansard, Hardman, Lindahl, Mercer, Carlisle, Hardy, and the motion passed**

Consideration of Resolution No. 22/23-38 Authorizing Change Order #1 to the Leander Construction, Inc. WWTP improvement project to remove ceiling tiles, re-install the tile and paint the interior ceiling in the filter room for \$11,665.49. There will be no increase in cost of the Loan amount because it is covered by the IEPA approved Contingency funds. **The motion was made by Ald. Mercer and seconded by Ald. Hansard. Discussion:** Ald. Mercer asked engineer Michael Lutz why this wasn’t included in the original contract. Michael explained that they didn’t look close enough at the condition of the rafters and found some of the panels had fallen due to corroded clips and discovered the condition. They will need to remove the panels to do a better job of sandblasting the rafters before painting. **Roll call vote all ayes (6-0) by Ald. Hardman, Lindahl, Mercer, Carlisle, Hansard, Hardy, and the motion passed.**

Consideration of Resolution No. 22/23-39 Authorizing the City of Wyoming to purchase a tractor or skid steer for the Wastewater Treatment Plant for an amount not to exceed \$30,000.00. The motion was made by Ald. Hardman and seconded by Ald. Hansard. **Discussion:** WWTP Manager, Greg McCauley stated he believes a tractor would be the best choice. **Roll call vote all ayes (6-0) by Ald. Hardy, Carlisle, Lindahl, Hardman, Hansard, and the motion passed.**

Ald. Mercer requested an update on topping or removing the trees in front of the Congregational Church. The mayor said Joe Kinsella will be getting in touch with Saw-n-Logs to schedule it. They can determine if the trees are dead or just need topped. Jim also mentioned the sidewalks downtown need to be replaced. He suggested the City make a plan for doing this. He also asked if the security cameras in Thomas Park are working. Police Chief Tiller reported that they are working very well. They can see small details from all around the park. He checks them regularly.

Ald. Hansard noticed there are a few streetlights that are out in town. Chief Tiller offered to check the lights on his shift and turn in the results to City Hall.

Ald. Lindahl complained about snowmobiles going at high speeds on Madison St. They speed through several different areas in town. Chief Tiller wants to know when this happens again.

Ald. Carlisle stated that Denny Rewerts is doing a great job working with business owners to get TIF money to improve their buildings. We are lucky to have him.

Motion to adjourn was made by Ald. Hardy and seconded by Ald. Mercer. Voice votes all ayes (4-0) and the meeting was adjourned.

Minutes submitted by,

**Diane Baker
City Clerk**