

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 21, 2024 - 7:00 P.M. - COUNCIL CHAMBERS
204 SOUTH BLOOMINGTON STREET - STREATOR, IL 61364**

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Bedei called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL Members present: Tim Geary, Dave Reed, and Mayor Bedei.
Members absent: Dave Conner and Matt McMullen.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA Closed Session was removed from the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Randy Irvin – Works in the Office of State Representative Jason Bunting for the 106th District. He introduced himself and said that Representative Bunting has offices in Dwight and Watseka. Extended an invitation to feel free to call the State Representative’s office with needs or questions.

Gene Shostrom – He is the owner of 121 W. Hickory Street which is scheduled for demolition. He wanted to say that he is trying to make the repairs the house needs, but he cannot afford to do them all at once. I don’t want to go bankrupt.

FIRE DEPARTMENT PRESENTATION

A total of eight, from the Fire Department and Streator Ambulance Service, were awarded certificates for saving a life at a fire on January 1, 2024, at 401 N. Shabbona Street, in the City of Streator. Honored were:

Captain Ryan Reynolds	Firefighter Edward Levy
Captain Fred McClellan	Firefighter TJ Renner
Lieutenant Tim Redd	Firefighter Russell Callahan
Firefighter Ian Rogers	Paramedic Michael White

2022 AUDIT REPORT – SIKICH – ANTHONY CERVINI

Anthony Cervini, CPA and partner of Sikich, presented to the Council a report of the 2022 audit. He mentioned the city does a great job of full disclosure and transparency for the taxpayers. He told the Council we have already begun working on the 2023 audit.

NEW BUSINESS

1. ORDINANCE 2024-03. AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A TAX INCREMENT FINANCING (TIF) DISTRICT REDEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF STREATOR AND AJ MAC PROPERTIES, LLC AND MORE ON MAIN, INC.

Mayor Bedei requested a motion and second to adopt an ordinance approving the execution of a Tax Increment Financing (TIF) District Redevelopment Agreement between the City of Streator and AJ MAC Properties, LLC and More on Main, Inc.

MOTION: Geary made a motion to adopt the ordinance; seconded by Reed.

Mayor Bedei presented this item to the Council and expressed this TIF request was originally brought to the Council at an October meeting. There was no further discussion.

ROLL: Ayes: Geary, Reed, and Mayor Bedei.

Absent: Conner and McMullen.

Motion passed.

2. RESOLUTION 2024-07. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF LASALLE FOR ROADWAY OIL AND CHIP ON VARIOUS STREETS WITHIN BRUCE, EAGLE, AND OTTER CREEK TOWNSHIPS, CITY OF STREATOR.

Mayor Bedei requested a motion and second to authorize a resolution authorizing the execution of an intergovernmental agreement with the County of LaSalle for roadway oil and chip on various streets within Bruce, Eagle, and Otter Creek townships, in the City of Streator.

MOTION: Geary made a motion to authorize the resolution; seconded by Reed.

Jeremy Palm, City Engineer, presented this item to the Council reporting this will contribute to our funds for roadwork for 2024.

ROLL: Ayes: Geary, Reed, and Mayor Bedei.

Absent: Conner and McMullen.

Motion passed.

3. RESOLUTION 2024-08. A RESOLUTION AWARDDING A DEMOLITION CONTRACT TO ROBERT SHAY, PONTIAC, ILLINOIS IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE 121 W. HICKORY STREET AND 210 S. BLOOMINGTON STREET 2024 DEMO PROJECT IN THE CITY OF STREATOR.

Mayor Bedei requested a motion and second to authorize a resolution awarding a demolition contract to Robert Shay, Pontiac, Illinois, in conjunction with the 121 W. Hickory and 210 S. Bloomington Streets, 2024 Demo Project in the City of Streator.

MOTION: Geary made a motion to authorize the resolution; seconded by Reed.

Palm presented this item to the Council reporting this will be a part of the 2024 Demo Project. Also, Item #8 will need to be approved with this resolution as well to remove asbestos before the demolition is executed.

ROLL: Ayes: Geary, Reed, and Mayor Bedei.

Absent: Conner and McMullen.

Motion passed.

4. RESOLUTION 2024-09. A RESOLUTION AWARDDING A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT TO UNIVERSAL ASPHALT & EXCAVATING, LASALLE, ILLINOIS, FOR THE 2024 GENERAL REVENUE PROJECT WHICH INCLUDES ROAD WORK ON WEST LARUE STREET, WEST GRANT STREET, AND NORTH BAKER STREET, IN THE CITY OF STREATOR, ILLINOS.

Mayor Bedei requested a motion and second to authorize a resolution awarding a Construction Contract to Universal Asphalt & Excavating, LaSalle, Illinois for the 2024 General Revenue Project which includes road work on West LaRue Street, West Grant Street, and North Baker Street, in the City of Streator.

MOTION: Geary made a motion to authorize the resolution; seconded by Reed.

Palm presented this item to the Council reporting this is our annual General Revenue Road Project which is done every year. The roads will be done from the 100-300 blocks.

ROLL: Ayes: Geary, Reed, and Mayor Bedei.

Absent: Conner and McMullen.

Motion passed.

5. MOTION TO RECEIVE AND PLACE ON FILE PLAN COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATION 2024-02 TO APPROVE AND AWARD A "FACADE GRANT" TO PROPERTY OWNER, JOE SENKO, 825 E. MAIN STREET, STREATOR, ILLINOIS, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$30,000.00.

Mayor Bedei requested a motion and second to receive and place on file Plan Commissions' Recommendation 2024-02.

MOTION: Geary made a motion to receive and place on file Plan Commission Recommendation 2024-02; second by Reed.

ROLL: Ayes: Geary, Reed, and Mayor Bedei.

Absent: Conner and McMullen.

Motion passed.

6. RESOLUTION 2024-10. A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AWARDING A “FACADE GRANT” TO PROPERTY OWNER, JOE SENKO, 825 E. MAIN STREET, STREATOR, ILLINOIS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$30,000.00.

Mayor Bedei requested a motion and second to approve a resolution awarding a “Facade Grant” to property owner, Joe Senko, 825 E. Main Street, Streator, Illinois, in the amount of \$30,000.

MOTION: Geary made a motion to approve the resolution and award the Façade Grant; seconded by Reed. Palm presented this item to the Council reporting the application included two parcels, but at the Plan Commission meeting the Plan Commission decided that Mr. Senko should focus on the corner parcel only. Palm also noted the address is incorrect and this will be taken up with County.

ROLL: Ayes: Geary, Reed, and Mayor Bedei.

Absent: Conner and McMullen.

Motion passed.

7. RESOLUTION 2024- 11. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF STREATOR AND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 44, IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROVISION OF CROSSING GUARDS.

Mayor Bedei requested a motion and second to approve a resolution authorizing an agreement between the City of Streator and Elementary School District No. 44, in connection with the Provision of Crossing Guards.

MOTION: Geary made a motion to authorize the resolution and agreement; seconded by Reed.

Dave Plyman, City Manager, presented this item to the Council reporting the city has the power to hire crossing guards, but it is much easier to permit them to hire their personnel.

ROLL: Ayes: Geary, Reed, and Mayor Bedei.

Absent: Conner and McMullen.

Motion passed.

8. MOTION TO APPROVE QUOTE FROM M&O ENVIRONMENTAL FOR ASBESTOS REMOVAL AT 121 W. HICKORY STREET.

Mayor Bedei requested a motion and second to approve the quote from M&O Environmental for asbestos removal from 121 W. Hickory Street before demolition.

MOTION: Geary made a motion to approve the quote for asbestos removal; seconded by Reed.

There was no discussion since this was previously discussed in the meeting.

ROLL: Ayes: Geary, Reed, and Mayor Bedei.

Absent: Conner and McMullen.

Motion passed.

9. CONSENT AGENDA:

Mayor Bedei requested a motion and second to approve the Consent Agenda with a fund warrant total of \$621,115.41.

MOTION: Geary made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda; seconded by Reed.

ROLL: Ayes: Geary, Reed, and Mayor Bedei.

Absent: Conner and McMullen.

Motion passed.

10. CITY OFFICIAL COMMENTS

Mayor Bedei reminded everyone there is a tenderloin fundraiser Sunday night for Streatorfest from 4:00-7:00 P.M. at the Moose Lodge.

**11. ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE 5ILCS 120/2c (2)
FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING COLLECTIVE BARGAINING
REMOVED FROM AGENDA 1. Collective Bargaining.**

12. ADJOURNMENT


AT 7:27 P.M. Mayor Bedei requested a motion and second to adjourn the meeting.

MOTION: Geary made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Reed.

ROLL: Ayes: Geary, Reed, and Mayor Bedei.

Absent: Conner and McMullen.

Motion passed.



Patricia L. Henderson, City Clerk