

STATE OF ILLINOIS

MACOUPIN COUNTY

November 3, 2025

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

PRESENT: Alderman Ober, Alderman Wagstaff, Alderman Brockmeier, Alderman Link, Alderman Reichmann, Alderman Gracey, Alderman LeVora, Alderman Reese, Mayor Doug Downey, City Clerk Mary Heller, Treasurer Bill Fanning, Police Chief Derek Graham, Bobbi Bates Zoning Administrator/Econ Dev/Grant Writing, Public Works Director Tim Hasara, City Attorneys Don and Joe Craven, Greg Frieden representing Woodard & Curran.

Approval of Previous Minutes - Motion was made by Alderman Ober to approve the minutes and place on file, seconded by Alderman LeVora, motion passed unanimously. 8-0

Approval of Bills - Motion was made to approve the bills and place on file by Alderman Reichmann, seconded by Alderman Wagstaff, motion passed unanimously. 8-0

Correspondence

2026 City Council Dates

2026 Cookout Dates

Motion was made to approve and place on file the two above correspondences by Alderman Link, seconded by Alderman Brockmeier, motion passed unanimously. 8-0

Brad Ambuel Resignation (CEMA) – Motion was made with regrets to accept and place on file the resignation of Brad Ambuel by Alderman Link, seconded by Alderman Ober, motion passed unanimously. 8-0

Public Comment

Alderman John LeVora informed the Council due to the Veteran's Day Holiday next week (Tuesday November 11, 2025) they are going to cancel the Public Works meeting for the month of November.

Old Business

Pay Ordinance – Motion was made by Alderman Brockmeier to accept the changes and pay retroactive to the day that those changes were established, seconded by Alderman Ober, motion passed unanimously. 8-0

City Administrator Job Description Approval – Motion was made by Alderman Link to approve the City Administrator Job Description with changes to the address on how to apply, seconded by Alderman Gracey, motion passed unanimously. 8-0

New Business

Proclamation / Gold Award Recipient / Rachel Leggett – Mayor Downey presented Rachel Leggett with a Proclamation for being a Girl Scout Gold Award Recipient on her Habitat Creation and Education of 5 Pollinators.

Woodard & Curran Annual Report – Public Works Director Tim Hasara spoke about the annual Woodard & Curran report. Tim talked about the issues that the WWTP are having with Prairie Farms. They are having a meeting on Wednesday November 5, 2025, with Prairie Farms hoping to come to a conclusion for this issue. No questions from council.

Dimond Brothers Insurance / Renewal / Mitch Newell – Mitch Newell from Dimond Brothers Insurance spoke about the different options the City has for Insurance and answered all the council's questions. Motion was made by Alderman Link to accept Option 1-ICRMT/IPRF/Cowbell at \$273,376.00 annual premium, seconded by Alderman LeVora, motion passed unanimously. 8-0

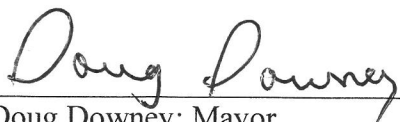
Ordinance Approving the Sale of Surplus Property (Lake Truck) - TABLED

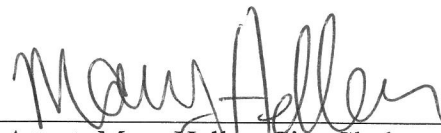
Appointment of CEMA Interim Coordinator (Joe Kabruick) – Motion was made to accept the appointment of CEMA Interim Coordinator Joe Kabruick by Alderman Link, seconded by Alderman Ober, motion passed unanimously. 8-0

TIF Program / Application Approval – Motion was made by Alderman Reichmann to approve the TIF Program / Application with changes of being for the fiscal year instead of the calendar year, seconded by Alderman Brockmeier, motion passed unanimously. 8-0

Alluvial Land Acquisition / Approve Draw on Co-Bank Loan – Motion was made by Alderman Link to draw \$100,000.00 from the CoBank Loan to help acquire land for the Alluvial Plant, seconded by Alderman Ober, motion passed unanimously. 8-0

Motion to adjourn was made by Alderman LeVora at 6:42 p.m., seconded by Alderman Ober, motion passed unanimously. 8-0


Doug Downey: Mayor


Attest: Mary Heller, City Clerk