

STATE OF ILLINOIS

MACOUPIN COUNTY

March 2, 2026

### **CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**PRESENT:** Alderman Ober, Alderman Link, Alderman Reichmann, Alderman Gracey, Alderman LeVora, Alderman Brockmeier, Alderman Fogle, Mayor Doug Downey, City Clerk Mary Heller, Police Chief Derek Graham, Bobbi Bates Zoning Administrator/Econ Dev/Grant Writing, City Attorney's Don and Joe Craven, **ABSENT:** Alderman Reese

Approval of Previous Minutes - Motion was made by Alderman Ober to approve the minutes of the February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2026, Council Meeting and the February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2026, City of Carlinville, Macoupin County, Illinois Tax Increment Financing District Joint Review Board Meeting and place on file, seconded by Alderman Brockmeier, motion passed unanimously. 7-0

Approval of Bills - Motion was made to approve the bills and place on file by Alderman Reichmann, seconded by Alderman LeVora, motion passed unanimously. 7-0

### **Correspondence**

Our Market / Julie Boente / Update – Julie Boente and Chris Hartsook were here to interduce the new General Manager (Brad Walker) they hired for Our Market. Our Market is in the final stages of the Grocery Store being complete, target is to be open in 2026.

### **Public Comment**

Mayor Downey informed the Council Members that there is TIF and Façade Grant applications in their mailboxes to look over before next weeks Committee Meetings.

Mayor Downey let the Council and the Public know that March is Colon Cancer Awareness Month and putting a blue light in your window will remind and encourage people to get screened for Colon Cancer. Key event takes place this Friday March 6, 2026, remember to wear blue. Anyone over the age of 45 is recommended to get screened.

Ed Taylor spoke about his concern about the qualification of the water in the lake. He let the Council know a little history about the bad decisions that were made in 1938 with the lake and informed them of what was done and what should have been done.

### **Old Business**

Resolution Adopting the Illinois Housing Development Authority (IHDA) – Motion was made to accept the Resolution Adopting the Illinois Housing Development Authority (IHDA) by Alderman LeVora, seconded by Alderman Link, motion passed unanimously. 7-0

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Water-RRA & ERP Update Project – Motion was made to approve the \$25,000 for the Water RRA & ERP Update Project by Alderman Ober, seconded by Alderman Link, motion passed unanimously. 7-0

Bid Approval / Secure City Hall – No approval made at this time. Motion was made to take this back to the Finance Committee by Alderman Link, seconded by Alderman Ober, motion passed unanimously. 7-0

Amendment to Chapter 40 / Zoning Code / Pollinators – Motion was made to accept the updated changes to the zoning code by Alderman Ober, seconded by Alderman LeVora, motion passed unanimously. 7-0

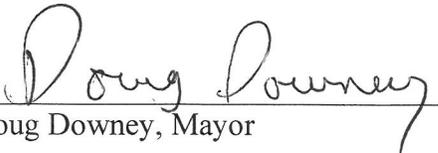
**New Business**

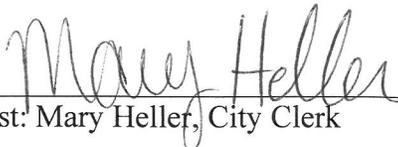
MFT 2025/2026 Bid Approval – Motion was by made to accept the MFT 2025/2026 Bid from Delaurent Construction Co INC by Alderman Link, seconded by Alderman Brockmeier, motion passed unanimously. 7-0

Bid Approval / Demo Davis Cabin – Motion was made to accept the bid from Cole Excavating Services, INC for \$10,000.00 to Demo the Davis Cabin at the lake by Alderman Ober, seconded by Alderman Gracey, motion passed unanimously. 7-0

Alluvial Update – Scott Reichmann (Carlinville Alluvial Representative) was here to give an update to the Council about Alluvial. Phase 1A started on Monday 2/23/26. A more accurate construction schedule with proposed completion dates will be available in the next 30-60 days. Phase 1B will require additional funding and the IARWC is actively seeking a loan through the Illinois EPA.

Motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Reichmann at 6:32 p.m., seconded by Alderman LeVora, motion passed unanimously. 7-0

  
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Doug Downey, Mayor

  
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Attest: Mary Heller, City Clerk