

STATE OF ILLINOIS

MACOUPIN COUNTY

April 20, 2026

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

PRESENT: Alderman Ober, Alderman Link, Alderman Reichmann, Alderman Gracey, Alderman LeVora, Alderman Brockmeier, Alderman Fogle, Alderman Reese. Mayor Doug Downey, City Clerk Mary Heller, Police Chief Derek Graham, Bobbi Bates Zoning Administrator/Econ Dev/Grant Writing.

Approval of Previous Minutes - Motion was made by Alderman Ober to approve the minutes of the April 13th, 2026, Special Council Meeting 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 Reese, motion passed unanimously. 8-0

Correspondence

Lions Club Carnival Request / Road Closures – Motion was made to approve and place on file the 82nd Annual Lions Club Carnival and Parade by Alderman Brockmeier, seconded by Alderman Link, motion passed unanimously. 8-0

Merchant Night / Road Closures – Motion was made to approve and place on file the Carlinville Halloween Merchant Night for Thursday October 29th, 2026, by Alderman Brockmeier, seconded by Alderman Link, motion passed unanimously. 8-0

Rotary Club Halloween Parade / Road Closures – Motion was made to approve and place on file the 2026 Carlinville Rotary Halloween Parade by Alderman Link, seconded by Alderman Ober, motion passed unanimously. 8-0

United to Revive Square Request - TABLED

Public Comment

Michael Ruffner owner of Davis Lawncare, spoke about his concern about how Local Businesses weren't getting the bids and jobs were going to out of town businesses for the City mowing around town.

Kirk Lockwood spoke about his concern of Standard Addition.

City Wide Spring Clean-Up (Fri. May 1, 2026, 7AM-3PM and Sat. May 2, 2026, 7AM-1PM) – Mayor Downey reminded the Council and Public about the City Wide Spring Clean-Up.

Old Business

Budget Approval 2026-2027 – Motion was made to approve the 2026-2027 Fiscal Year Budget by Alderman Link, seconded by Alderman Reese, motion passed unanimously. 8-0

New Business

Appointment of Police Pension Board – Motion was made to approve the re-appointment of Courtney Dugger for the Police Pension Board by Alderman Brockmeier, seconded by Alderman Reichmann, motion passed unanimously. 8-0

Letter of Agreement Resolution / Bailing Hay Agreement – Motion was made to approve the resolution and the 5 year bailing hay agreement for the 13 acres behind Wal-Mart by Alderman Link, seconded by Alderman Ober, motion passed unanimously. 8-0

Resolution Supporting Opportunity Zone Destination for Census Tract 17117956400 – Bobbi Bates the Zoning Administrator spoke about Opportunity Zone Resolution. Motion was made to approve the Resolution Supporting Opportunity Zone Destination for Census Tract 17117956400 by Alderman LeVora, seconded by Alderman Ober, motion passed unanimously. 8-0

Dock Request for Sub 7/Lot 2 – Motion was made to send this back to the lake committee to further discuss by Alderman Brockmeier, seconded by Alderman LeVora, motion passed unanimously. 8-0

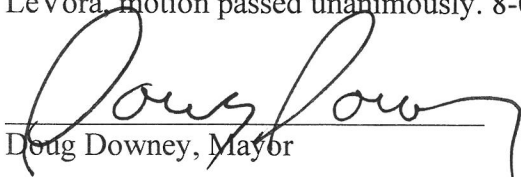
Sand for Swing Sets at Campground Approval – Motion was made to accept Cole Excavating's Bid of \$32 a ton (14 tons per load) at a max of 3 loads, any extra will be used at the beach, and to accept the bid from Menards for the wood (\$800.00) on the playground by Alderman Brockmeier, seconded by Alderman LeVora, motion passed unanimously. 8-0

Operations Budget Approval – No motion needed.

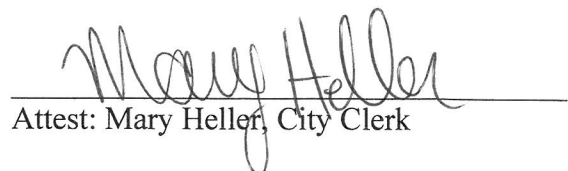
Ordinance Authorizing City Expenditures Pending Adoption of Annual Appropriation Ordinance – No motion needed.

TIF Reimbursement Agreement – Motion was made to accept the TIF Reimbursement Agreement as presented by Alderman Reichmann, seconded by Alderman Gracey, motion passed unanimously. 8-0

Motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Reichmann at 6:32 p.m., seconded by Alderman LeVora, motion passed unanimously. 8-0



Doug Downey, Mayor



Attest: Mary Heller, City Clerk