

STATE OF ILLINOIS

MACOUPIN COUNTY

May 4, 2026

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**PRESENT:** Alderman Ober, Alderman Link, Alderman LeVora, Alderman Brockmeier, Alderman Fogle, Alderman Reichmann, Alderman Gracey, Mayor Doug Downey, City Clerk Mary Heller, Police Chief Derek Graham, Bobbi Bates Zoning Administrator/Econ Dev/Grant Writing, City Attorney Don Craven, Greg Freiden representing Woodard & Curran.

**ABSENT:** Alderman Reese

Approval of Previous Minutes - Motion was made by Alderman Ober to approve the minutes of the April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2026, Special Meeting, April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2026 Council Meeting, and April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2026 Special Meeting and place on file, seconded by Alderman Reichmann, motion passed unanimously. 7-0

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

**Correspondence**

Elks Lodge / Flag Day Ceremony – Motion was made to approve and place on file the Carlinville Elks Lodge #1412 Flag Day Ceremony on Sunday June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. at the gazebo by Alderman Gracey, seconded by Alderman Ober, motion passed unanimously. 7-0

United to Revive Square Request – Motion was made to approve and place on file the United to Revive Gazebo Request on Saturday May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2026, from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. by Alderman Link, seconded by Alderman Brockmeier, motion passed unanimously. 7-0

**Public Comment**

Dave Rathgeb shared concern about the state of the roads in the City.

Bobbi Bates the Zoning Administrator/Econ Dev/Grant Writing announced there is 2 weeks left to sign up for the Work Force Training.

Mayor Downey let the Council know that the Route 108 project has started. He let the Council know that there is a Web Meeting every Monday at 9:30 a.m. to give updates on the project and the Council are welcome to join.

Updated Lead Service Line Replacement Plan 2026 – Everyone was informed by City Clerk Heller that this has been posted and is up to date on our website. No Questions or Concerns from the Public.

**Old Business** – NONE

**New Business**

Library Appointments – Motion was made to accept Dawn Peterson, Don Martin, and Dr. Elizabeth (Beth) O’Brien to the Library Board to replace President Kris Rosentreter, Polly Eldred and Margaret (Peg) Fehr who are resigning by Alderman Link, seconded by Alderman Ober, motion passed unanimously. 7-0 The Council Members appreciate all the efforts that the resigning Library Board Trustees have put in.

Mayor Appointments – Mayor Downey let the Council Members know that the revised appointment list will be in their mailboxes.

West Main TIF Agreements – Motion was made to accept the TIF Agreements for the Loomis House, Heinz Furniture, and Spears Title Company by Alderman Reichmann, seconded by Alderman Gracey, motion passed unanimously. 7-0

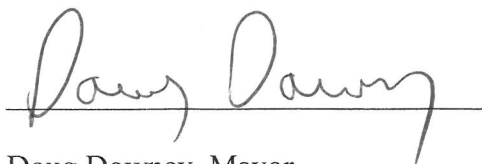
Motion was made to go into executive session by Alderman LeVora at 6:14 p.m., for the purpose of discussing personnel negotiations, seconded by Alderman Link, motion passed unanimously. 7-0

***Executive Session – Personnel Negotiations***

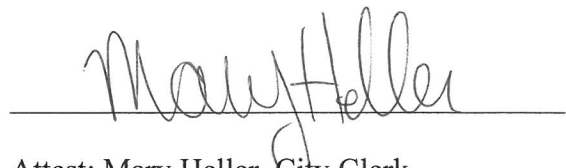
Motion was made to come out of executive session by Alderman Reichmann at 6:32 p.m., for the purpose of discussing personnel negotiations, seconded by Alderman Brockmeier, motion passed unanimously. 7-0

City Administrator Contract/Offer – No motion at this time.

Motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Reichmann at 6:33 p.m., seconded by Alderman Brockmeier, motion passed unanimously. 7-0



Doug Downey, Mayor



Attest: Mary Heller, City Clerk