

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
105 S MAIN ST
FARMER CITY, ILLINOIS
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2023
6:00 P.M.
AGENDA

PRELIMINARY MATTERS

1. Call to order
2. Roll call
3. Pledge of allegiance to the flag
4. Proclamations/presentations/recognitions -
5. Public Comment

CONSENT AGENDA

The following items will be adopted on a single motion without discussion unless a council member requests separate consideration:

- A. Approval of the minutes of the January 3, 2023 council minutes
- B. Fund Warrant List

UNFINISHED BUSINESS--Ordinances or resolutions previously tabled.

NEW BUSINESS--Ordinances and resolutions for initial consideration

- A. Ordinance 1099 an ordinance amending Section 32: Personnel Regulations.
- B. Resolution 2023-77 a resolution of the City of Farmer City in support of tax increment financing.
- C. Resolution 2023-78 resolution opposing the passage of Protect Illinois Communities Act.
- D. Approval of Stark Excavating's \$174,316 bid for the repaving of the Prairie Ridge playground parking lot.
- E. Discussion on design review for street garage.
- F. Discussion on Outreach Ministries senior trip funding.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

OTHER ITEMS

1. City manager report
2. Non-agenda items and other business

ADJOURNMENT

NOTE: Anyone planning to attend the meeting who has need of special assistance under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) is asked to contact the city clerk's office at (309) 928-2842, 48 hours before the meeting. Staff will be pleased to make the necessary arrangements.

MINUTES OF THE FARMER CITY, ILLINOIS

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

JANUARY 3, 2023 6pm

Roll call Present: Councilmembers Shelley Friedrich, David Walsh, Jason Strough and Mayor Scott Testory. Absent: Councilman Willard McKinley

Also, in attendance: City Manager Sue McLaughlin, City Clerk Angie Wanserski and City Attorney Joe Chamley.

Pledge of allegiance to the flag

Public Comment

Proclamations/presentations

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of the minutes of the December 5, 2022 council meeting.

B. Fund Warrant List

MOTION by Friedrich to approve consent agenda. Seconded by Strough. Voting yes: Testory, Friedrich, Strough and Walsh. Absent: McKinley. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Discussion regarding resolution against HB5855 Protect Illinois Communities Act. Mayor Testory wanted to discuss a poorly written house bill currently being proposed. HB5855 would raise the FOID age to 21 and is in violation of constitutional amendment rights. Mayor Testory would like to propose the city pass a resolution opposing this bill. Attorney Chamley cautions that any resolution passed would not be binding. A city resolution would not override state authority and officers of the law must abide by state law. Mayor Testory informs council that this would be a symbolic gesture. City manager McLaughlin will write up a draft resolution for council review at the next meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

OTHER ITEMS

City Manager report

City manager McLaughlin reminds residents that extra trash can be placed outside of totes this week only. Also, GFL will be picking up Christmas trees until the end of January. Council should be able to review street garage building designs sometime in February.

Non-agenda items and other business

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Strough to adjourn meeting. Seconded by Friedrich. Voting yes: Testory, Friedrich, Strough and Walsh. Absent: McKinley. Motion carried.

Angie Wanserski, City Clerk

Vendor Name	Net Invoice Amount	
100		
SECRETARY OF STATE	<u>165.00</u>	POLICE CAR REGISTRATION
Total 100:	<u>165.00</u>	
Grand Totals:	<u><u>165.00</u></u>	

Vendor Name	Net Invoice Amount	
100		
Civic Systems LLC	4,748.00	SEMI ANNUAL SUPPORT FEES
PRESTO X PEST CONTROL	53.11	ADM
COOPER, BILLIE	300.00	MONTHLY CLEANING SERVICE
LOCALGOVNEWS.ORG	1,690.00	MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL
QUADIENT FINANCE USA INC.	488.04	ADM
QUADIENT FINANCE USA INC.	300.00	ADM
FRONTIER	74.30	ADM
FRONTIER	228.49	ADM
T-MOBILE	33.82	adm
Absopure Water Co	9.00	ADM
EVANS FROELICH BETH AND	175.00	COUNCIL LEGAL
AMERICAN LEGAL PUBLISHING	2,700.00	EDITING PAGES
Menards	10.98	INTERVIEW ROOM REPAIR
Menards	53.29	INTERVIEW ROOM REPAIR
CLASPILL AUTOMOTIVE	111.31	POL- VEHICLE MAINTENANCE
SPRINT	139.18	POLICE
FRONTIER	393.04	POLICE PHONE
ENGER BRO'S HEAT AC PLUMB	102.25	BUILDING MAINTENANCE
T-MOBILE	33.82	STREET
FRONTIER	48.69	STREET
NAPA	526.60	STREET
NAPA	13.99	STREET
CNH CAPITAL PRODUCTIVITY P	229.56	STREET PLOW PARTS
Coile's Diesel Inc.	591.80	Street
CORNGELIO AG	254.81	STREET SUPPLIES
R.P. LUMBER COMPANY INC.	49.80	PLOW TRUCK SIDES
Evergreen FS Inc	172.79	MFT
ALTORFER INC.	5,217.72	BACKHOE REPAIR
T-MOBILE	33.82	PARKS
CORNGELIO AG	25.99	PARKS
NAPA	14.99	PARKS
CORNGELIO AG	2.99	PARKS
CORNGELIO AG	2.59	PARKS
FRONTIER	198.65	POOL
Total 100:	19,028.42	
240		
AQUATERRE INVASIVE MANAG	6,890.00	BANK BRUSH MOWING
Total 240:	6,890.00	
280		
CORNGELIO AG	18.99	BDIST
Total 280:	18.99	
490		
GFL ENVIRONMENTAL	12,187.00	MONTHLY GARBAGE SERVICE
Total 490:	12,187.00	
510		
Menards	35.96	BUILDING MAINT
NAPA	64.12	WATER
T-MOBILE	33.83	WATER
MEDIACOM	180.71	SEWER PHONE

Vendor Name	Net Invoice Amount	
WATER SOLUTIONS UNLIMITED	4,136.25	WATER CHEM SUPPLIES
CORNGELIO AG	51.02	MISC SUPPLIES
Water Products Co.	748.00	WATER
Total 510:	5,249.89	
520		
PACE ANALYTICAL SERVICES	202.81	lab testing
T-MOBILE	33.83	SEWER
Shermans Small Engine Repair	31.50	SEWER
CORNGELIO AG	79.19	MISC SUPPLIES
Hoerr Construction Inc.	93,917.25	ANNUAL SEWER LINING
Total 520:	94,264.58	
530		
Safety-Kleen Corporation	401.74	SERVICE PARTS WASHER
NAPA	144.19	ELEC
Walker Tire Service	463.50	ELECTRIC TIRE FOR TREE TRUCK
BHMG ENGINEERS	28.13	EPA REPORTING
T-MOBILE	33.83	ELECTRIC
FRONTIER	160.23	ELEC PHONE
CHEMSEARCH	628.00	WATER SYSTEM CHEMICALS
GLYCOL SOLUTIONS	200.00	WATER CHEM TESTING
Shermans Small Engine Repair	56.50	ELECTRIC
CORNGELIO AG	51.36	ELEC
Menards	119.35	STREET LIGHT PARTS
GARDNER, MARK	100.00	BOOT REIMBURSEMENT
Total 530:	2,386.83	
Grand Totals:	140,025.71	

Vendor Name	Net Invoice Amount	
100		
Strum Electric	9,500.00	REPLACEMENT 2004 SCISSOR LIFT DESTROYED IN FIRE - IMLRMA WILL REIMBURSE
Total 100:	9,500.00	
Grand Totals:	9,500.00	

Vendor Name	Net Invoice Amount	
100		
AMERICAN LEGAL PUBLISHING	495.00	ADM INTERNET RENEWAL
PRESTO X PEST CONTROL	53.11	ADM
WATTS COPY SYSTEMS INC	212.43	ADM COPIER
HINCKLEY SPRINGS	37.70	DRINKING WATER
WANSERSKI, ANGIE	102.31	TRAVEL AND TRAINING
G.F.O.A.	472.50	ADM TRAVEL AND TRAINING
City of Farmer City	452.96	ADM
MEDIACOM	136.90	ADM
SIMPLY SENNETT	12.50	ADM
T-MOBILE	13.82	ADM
FUTURA	123.36	ADM - SUPPLIES
AMERICAN LEGAL PUBLISHING	210.80	COUNCIL EDITING PAGES
CLASPILL AUTOMOTIVE	1,162.77	POLICE
HENNEPIN BOAT STORE	100.20	GOLF CART STICKERS
TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT	132.81	IWIN MEMBERSHIP SERVICES
TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT	132.81	IWIN MEMBERSHIP SERVICES
TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT	132.75	IWIN MEMBERSHIP SERVICES
DEWITT COUNTY TREASURER	32,767.24	DISPATCH FEES
MID-STATES ORGANIZED CRIM	100.00	MOCIC MEMBERSHIP
CHAMPAIGN COUNTY REGION	772.00	MTU 12 ANNUAL MEETING
BROWN, TRAVIS	15.00	TRAVEL AND TRAINING
JACOB KING	21.14	POLICE
HALL, SKYLER	22.26	POLICE
City of Farmer City	154.68	POLICE
RADAR MAN INC	240.00	RADAR RECERTIFICATION
Evergreen FS Inc	2,132.76	POLICE FUEL
MAURER-STUTZ	591.25	MAINTENANCE BUILDING RECONSTRUCTION
T-MOBILE	13.82	STREET
City of Farmer City	54.60	STREET
Evergreen FS Inc	120.16	STREET FUEL
T-MOBILE	13.82	PARKS
City of Farmer City	321.00	PARK
Evergreen FS Inc	120.16	PARKS
City of Farmer City	89.86	POOL
Total 100:	41,534.48	
120		
City of Farmer City	71.64	ESDA
Total 120:	71.64	
150		
MAURER-STUTZ	1,751.25	PLUM ST IMPROVEMENTS
Total 150:	1,751.25	
270		
TREASURER STATE OF ILLINOI	26,087.28	SRTS GRANT
Total 270:	26,087.28	
280		
PRAIRIE ENGINEERS	6,738.00	SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENT
Total 280:	6,738.00	

Vendor Name	Net Invoice Amount	
490		
GFL ENVIRONMENTAL	12,085.21	MONTHLY TRASH SERVICE
Total 490:	12,085.21	
510		
Menards	32.22	BAUIDING MAINT
Progressive Chemical	541.91	BUILDING PROP MAINT
MAURER-STUTZ	653.00	CHLORINE PERMIT AT WATER PLANT
Julie Inc.	124.40	WATER
T-MOBILE	13.83	WATER
City of Farmer City	1,953.03	WATER
Evergreen FS Inc	300.39	WATER FUEL
UNITED SYSTEMS AND SOFTW	4,813.20	ITRON ENCODER
Total 510:	8,431.98	
520		
Julie Inc.	124.40	SEWER
T-MOBILE	13.83	SEWER
City of Farmer City	8,543.56	SEWER
HEARTLAND AG INC	54.50	CHEMICALS
Evergreen FS Inc	120.15	SEWER FUEL
Total 520:	8,856.44	
530		
Julie Inc.	124.40	ELEC
JM TEST SYSTEMS	4,608.00	TESTING OF TRUCKS
T-MOBILE	13.83	ELECTRIC
ASSOCIATION OF ILLINOIS ELE	700.00	ELEC TRAINING
ASSOCIATION OF ILLINOIS ELE	700.00	ELEC TRAINING
ASSOCIATION OF ILLINOIS ELE	1,400.00	CLIMBING SCHOOL
City of Farmer City	3,252.25	ELECTRIC
CHEMSEARCH	777.46	WATER TREATMENT
Evergreen FS Inc	210.27	ELEC FUEL
Total 530:	11,786.21	
Grand Totals:	117,342.49	



CITY OF FARMER CITY, ILLINOIS

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MEMO

Date: February 6, 2023

To: City Council

From: Sue McLaughlin, ICMA-CM
City Manager

RE: Personnel amendments

Attached you will find a proposed ordinance amending the Personnel code to address recent updates to state or federal law.

Going section by section, the first is the Crown Act. The state approved a new law that prohibits discrimination based upon hair styles, such as dreadlocks. So, we've added the simple language that we will comply with that Act.

The Travel reimbursement section was in place, but we've updated the numbers due to inflation.

Holidays – we added Juneteenth, which became a state holiday last year and was adopted by the Council as well.

The State adopted changes to the Employee Sick Leave Act, which widens the covered family members to include more in-laws. However, we can cap the covered family members to 48 hours, which we are recommending.

And under the Family Bereavement Leave Act, the State changed language to allow for such occurrences as miscarriages and failed adoptions for allowable bereavement leave.

All of these changes bring us into compliance with the state and keep our personnel ordinance updated.

ORDINANCE 1099

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING

SECTION 32: PERSONNEL REGULATIONS

WHEREAS; the City of Farmer City is a municipality in accordance with the constitution of the State of Illinois of 1970; and

WHEREAS; the City of Farmer City has the authority to enact ordinances setting the rules and regulations of city employees; and

WHEREAS; the City of Farmer City desires to update the existing code to include new or amended provisions, among other revisions.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Farmer City, DeWitt County, Illinois that:

That Chapter 32, Personnel Regulations, Sections 32.027, 32.042, 32.066, 32.073, 32.090 and 32.093 are hereby amended to read as stated in the attached Exhibit.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FARMER CITY,
DEWITT COUNTY, ILLINOIS THIS 6th DAY OF February, 2023.

AYES: _____ NAYS: _____ ABSTAIN: _____ ABSENT: _____

Scott Testory, Mayor

Angie Wanserski, City Clerk

§ 32.027 APPEARANCE STANDARDS.

The city is a professional organization and must represent the public in a professional manner. Therefore, a professional image should be reflected in employee dress and mannerisms. Good grooming habits and proper, tasteful attire are both essential in projecting this image. Styles, appearances, habits, or other practices that are considered distracting or offensive to others should be avoided, subject to the CROWN ACT (775 ILCS 5/1-103 et seq). A supervisor should be consulted if there are any questions or concerns regarding appropriate dress and behavior. Departmental directors and supervisors have the discretion to create and change a list of appropriate attire list based on the work environment and job duties performed.

(Ord. 1061, passed 4-5-21) (Ord. 1099, passed 2-6-23)

§ 32.042 TRAINING, TRAVEL AND TUITION REIMBURSEMENT.

(A) Training.

(1) The city recognizes that attendance at and participation in seminars or conferences is a valuable tool for updating an employee's job knowledge, skills and abilities. Requests by employees to attend seminars, conferences, workshops, conventions and the like should be submitted through their supervisor for review and approval by the respective department head subject to budgetary and scheduling parameters.

(2) Employees attending a conference, meeting, class, seminar, convention or similar occasion as a representative of the city are expected to conduct themselves in a professional manner. Any improper conduct will be treated as if it occurred during regular working hours and the employee may be subject to disciplinary action for such improper conduct, up to and including termination of employment.

(B) Travel.

(1) Travel is defined as "any expenditure directly incident to official travel by employees and officers of the City involving reimbursement to travelers or direct payment to private agencies providing transportation or related services."

(2) No reimbursement of travel, meal or lodging expenses incurred by a City employee or officer shall be authorized unless the "Travel, Meal and Lodging Expense Reimbursement Request Form" has been submitted and approved. All documents and information submitted with the form shall be subject to disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act (5 ILCS 140/1 et seq.).

(3) The cost of travel and related expenses for attendance at conferences and seminars shall be reimbursed pursuant to § 32.073.

(Ord. 1061, passed 4-5-21) (Ord. 1099, passed 2-6-23)

§ 32.066 HOLIDAYS.

(A) Paid time-off is granted to most full-time employees for the following holidays:

- (1) New Year's Day
- (2) Martin Luther King Day
- (3) President's Day
- (4) Good Friday
- (5) Memorial Day
- (6) Juneteenth
- (7) Fourth of July
- (8) Labor Day
- (9) Columbus Day
- (10) Veteran's Day
- (11) Thanksgiving Day
- (12) Day after Thanksgiving Day
- (13) Christmas Eve
- (14) Christmas Day

(B) If a holiday falls on a Saturday, the proceeding Friday shall be observed as the holiday. If a holiday falls on a Sunday, the following Monday shall be observed as the holiday.

(C) For employees who are scheduled to work on holidays, the employees shall be paid eight hours holiday pay at straight time rates and time and one-half for all hours worked. When a holiday falls on an employee's regularly scheduled workday during the employee's vacation period, the employee will be charged for the holiday and retain the vacation day.

(Ord. 1061, passed 4-5-21) (Ord. 1099, passed 2-6-23)

§ 32.073 EMPLOYEE-INCURRED EXPENSES/ REIMBURSEMENT.

(A) Subject to the conditions set forth below, the city will provide a credit card or reimburse employees for reasonable business travel expenses incurred while on

professional business away from the normal work location. Business travel must be approved in advance by the department head or City Manager.

(B) If not provided a credit card, any advances to cover conference costs must be arranged by the employee and the department head at least seven days prior to the conference date. Advances can be requested for the following:

(1) Travel: Federal rate at the time (IRS mileage).

(2) Hotel/motel room: Room rental expense.

(3) Meals: Up to a maximum of \$300 for any stay exceeding two days and two nights; \$150 for any stay of less than two days (alcohol is specifically excluded from reimbursement).

(C) Employee must keep all receipts related to the conference costs, along with detailed accounting of the same, and must be submitted to the department head and then to City Finance.

(D) Expenses for travel, meals and lodging of (1) any officer or employee that exceeds the maximum reimbursement allowed under the regulations adopted above; or (2) any member of the corporate authorities of the city may only be approved by roll call vote at an open meeting of the corporate authorities of the city. However, in the event of an emergency or other extraordinary circumstance, the corporate authorities or City Manager may approve more than the maximum allowable expenses set forth above.

(E) The city shall not reimburse any elected official, employee or officer for any activities which would be considered entertainment. Activities which would otherwise be considered entertainment but which are excluded from the prohibition on reimbursement due to being ancillary to the purpose of the program or event, may be reimbursed in accordance with the provisions of this policy.

(F) Abuse of the travel regulations, including falsifying expense reports to reflect costs not incurred by the employee may be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including termination of employment.

(Ord. 1061, passed 4-5-21) (Ord. 1099, passed 2-6-23)

§ 32.090 SICK LEAVE.

(A) The purpose of sick leave is to provide income protection for absences.

(B) Sick leave may be used for:

(1) Illness, disability, or injury of an employee.

(2) Appointments with a doctor, dentist, or other professional medical practitioner.

(3) Events of illness, disability, or injury of a covered family member of an employee's immediate family or household. (covered family member can include, but is not limited to, spouse/partner, children including step-children, sibling, parents, mother-in-law, father-in-law, grandchild, grandparent or stepparent).

(C) Regular full-time employees accrue 96 hours of sick leave per year at eight hours per month. Accrual will be capped at 500 hours. Absences and use of sick leave of three days or more must be excused with documentation by a certified physician for the employee or family member. Use of sick leave for a covered family member will be capped at 48 hours. Unused/unpaid sick time will be turned into IMRF for service credit.

(D) A department head may direct an employee who appears ill to leave work to protect the health of other employees. Employees who are ill more than two days will provide a doctor's excuse for additional time. Employees who are unable to return to work upon expiration of the accrued sick leave must request a leave of absence without pay. Prior to returning from a sick leave over one month long, the employee must submit a statement from a physician indicating the employee can return to work and perform the essential duties of the job with reasonable accommodation.

(Ord. 1061, passed 4-5-21) (Ord. 1099, passed 2-6-23)

§ 32.093 BEREAVEMENT LEAVE.

In the event of a death in an employee's covered family member, an employee may be granted bereavement leave. To attend the funeral or alternative to a funeral of the covered family member; make arrangements necessitated by the death of the covered family member; grieve the death of the covered family member; or be absent from work due to (i) miscarriage, (ii) an unsuccessful round of intrauterine insemination or of an assisted reproductive technology procedure (e.g. artificial insemination or embryo transfer), (iii) a failed adoption match or an adoption that is not finalized because it is contested by another party, (iv) a failed surrogacy agreement, (v) a diagnosis that negatively impacts pregnancy or fertility, or (vi) a stillbirth, an employee may receive three (3) days leave of absence with pay and up to two weeks (ten working days) of unpaid bereavement leave. . Covered family member is defined as: parents, step-parents, spouse/partner, sibling, children, stepchildren, grandparents, brother, sister, grandchild, mother-in-law, father-in-law, sister-in-law and brother-in-law. Requests may be made for an authorization of leave involving the deaths of individuals who are not part of the employee's immediate or extended family and leave may be granted at the discretion of a supervisor or departmental director. An additional one day for travel may be granted if distance is more than 250 miles one way. Bereavement leave shall not affect any other leave.

(Ord. 1061, passed 4-5-21) (Ord. 1099, passed 2-6-23)

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-77

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF FARMER CITY
IN SUPPORT OF TAX INCREMENT FINANCING**

WHEREAS, the **City of Farmer City** has the responsibility to promote economic development and revitalization of underperforming areas within the **City**; and

WHEREAS, the **City** recognizes that Tax Increment Financing (TIF) is a means to address areas of blight, support development and promote local job creation and retention; and

WHEREAS, TIF incentives directly contribute to the expansion of the local tax base and attracts private development and new businesses to the **City**; and

WHEREAS, the availability of TIF is a critical mechanism to spur economic development for the **City**;

WHEREAS, the **City Council of the City** of Farmer City find that the availability of TIF as an economic development tool is essential for the continuing economic vitality of the **City**.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the **City Council of the City of Farmer City** as follows:

Section 1. The foregoing recitals shall be and are hereby incorporated as findings of fact as if said recitals were fully set forth herein.

Section 2. The **City** urges the Illinois General Assembly and Governor to protect TIF in its current form as a valuable economic development tool without additional restrictions on municipal governments and the communities they serve.

Section 3. The **City** clerk shall forward a copy of this Resolution to the Illinois Municipal League.

PASSED THIS 6th day of February, 2023.

AYES: _____

NAYS: _____

ABSENT: _____

APPROVED THIS 6th day of February, 2023.

Mayor Scott Testory

ATTEST:

City Clerk Angie Wanserski

RESOLUTION 2023-78

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FARMER CITY, ILLINOIS

Resolution opposing the passage of Protect Illinois Communities Act, any trailer bill, or any bill similar too, or any bill where the 102nd Illinois General Assembly desires to restrict the Individual right of US Citizens as protected by the Second Amendment of the United States Constitution.

WHEREAS, the Right of the People to Keep and Bear Arms is guaranteed as an Individual Right under the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution and under the Constitution of the State of Illinois, and;

WHEREAS, as the Right of the People to Keep and Bear Arms for defense of Life, Liberty, and Property is regarded as an Inalienable Right by the People of the City of Farmer City, Illinois and;

WHEREAS, the People have a God given obligation to provide for the common defense;

WHEREAS, a well-armed citizenry is the best protection against tyrannical government;

WHEREAS, the People of the City of Farmer City, Illinois, derive economic benefit from all safe forms of firearms recreation, hunting, and shooting conducted within the City of Farmer City using all types of firearms allowable under the United States Constitution and;

WHEREAS, the Protect Illinois Communities Act is a violation of the 2nd Amendment to the US Constitution allowing responsible law-abiding citizens the right to keep and bear arms & ammunition;

WHEREAS, A *Rand* review (2020) of gun control studies concluded there's inconclusive evidence for the effect of assault weapons bans";

WHEREAS, Farmer City City Council, being elected to represent the People of the City of Farmer City and being duly sworn by their Oath of Office to uphold the United States Constitution and the Constitution of the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, the Illinois House of Representatives and the Illinois Senate, being duly elected by the People of the State of Illinois and being duly sworn by their Oath of Office to uphold the United States Constitution and the Constitution of the State of Illinois, and;

WHEREAS, The Governor of Illinois, being elected to represent the People of the State of Illinois and being duly sworn by your Oath of Office to uphold the United States Constitution and the Constitution of the State of Illinois, and;

WHEREAS, the legislation, any bills similar to, under consideration by the Illinois State Legislature would infringe the Right to Keep and Bear Arms of commonly owned firearms by the Individual citizens of Farmer City, Illinois, is a direct violation of the 2nd Amendment to the US Constitution;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT BE AND IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the People of Farmer City, Illinois do hereby oppose the enactment of any legislation that would infringe upon the Right of the People to keep and bear arms and consider such laws to be unconstitutional and beyond lawful Legislative Authority.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Farmer City Council hereby orders that Farmer City shall not support the enforcement of Protect Illinois Communities Act through the use of city funds, appropriations, personnel or property. The use of these limited resources is hereby banned from enforcing the Act;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the City of Farmer City Council expects all elected officers of Farmer City to support and enforce this resolution;

BE IT FURETHER RESOLVED, that the City of Farmer City Council demands that the Illinois General Assembly cease further actions restricting the Right of the People to keep and bear arms, and hereby demands that the Governor of Illinois veto all such legislation which restricts the Right of the People to keep and bear arms.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the City of Farmer City is hereby directed to prepare and deliver certified copies of this Resolution to all members of the Illinois General Assembly and to the Office of the Governor.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we the City Council of the City of Farmer City demand that the Illinois General Assembly crease and repeal "Protect Illinois Communities Act."

Scott Testory, Mayor

City of Farmer City, IL

Angie Wanserski

City Clerk, City of Farmer City, IL



CITY OF FARMER CITY, ILLINOIS

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MEMO

Date: February 6, 2023

To: City Council

From: Sue McLaughlin, ICMA-CM
City Manager

RE: Prairie Ridge parking lot bids

As you'll recall, we bid this project out back in June 2022. Unfortunately, due to the economy, the low, and only, bid was \$197,153, which was way higher than expected. So, we rejected the bid and decided to try again in the spring.

We received 4 bids this time – see the attached bid spec sheet. The low bid is from Stark Excavating for \$174,316.

While this is still higher than expected, I believe we need to accept the bid and get the work done now that the playground is complete and open. And, it's \$23,000 lower than last year. The clinic's existing lot continues to deteriorate, and we need to expand the paved area and put in a sidewalk between the lot and the playground.

We will be paying for this out of TIF 2 funds. Therefore, I recommend approval of the Stark bid for \$174,316.



Tabulation of Bids - 5 Bidders

Local Public Agency: Farmer City County: DeWitt Section Number: Letting Date: 01/31/23

Approved Engineer's Estimate: \$194,362.50

Attended By (IDOT Representative(s)):
Sue McLaughlin
 City Manager
 City of Farmer City

Bidder's Name	Stark Excavating, Inc.	Otto Baum Company, Inc.	Cross Construction	3W Excavation and Concrete
Bidder's Address	1805 W. Washington St.	866 N. Main St.	3615 Countryside Rd.	2756 County Rd. 700 E.
City, State, Zip	Bloomington, IL, 61701	Morton, IL, 61550	Urbana, IL, 61802	Fisher, IL, 61843
Proposal Guarantee	5% Bid Bond	5% Bid Bond	5% Bid Bond	5% Bid Bond
Terms				

Approved Engineer's Estimate

Item No.	Item	Delivery	Unit	Quantity	Unit Price	Total	Unit Price	Total	Unit Price	Total	Unit Price	Total	Unit Price	Total
20200100	Earth Excavation		CU YD	475	\$50.0000	\$23,750.00	\$40.0000	\$19,000.00	\$46.2000	\$21,945.00	\$48.4000	\$22,980.00	\$150.3100	\$71,397.25
28000400	Perimeter Erosion Barrier		FOOT	302	\$5.0000	\$1,510.00	\$3.5000	\$1,057.00	\$8.5000	\$2,567.00	\$9.9000	\$2,989.80	\$8.2700	\$2,497.54
28000510	Inlet Filters		EACH	1	\$250.0000	\$250.00	\$145.0000	\$145.00	\$400.0000	\$400.00	\$550.0000	\$550.00	\$250.0000	\$250.00
35101400	Agg Base Course, Type B		TON	581	\$40.0000	\$23,240.00	\$47.0000	\$27,307.00	\$58.0000	\$33,698.00	\$55.0000	\$31,955.00	\$34.4200	\$19,998.02
42300100	PCC Drwy PVI, 5 Inch		SQ YD	1590	\$60.0000	\$95,400.00	\$47.5000	\$75,525.00	\$58.5000	\$93,015.00	\$71.5000	\$113,685.00	\$67.5000	\$107,325.00
42300400	PCC Drwy PVI, 8 Inch		SQ YD	108	\$65.0000	\$7,020.00	\$77.5000	\$8,370.00	\$117.0000	\$12,636.00	\$132.0000	\$14,256.00	\$148.8300	\$16,073.64
42400100	PCC Sidewalk 4 Inch		SQ FT	700	\$10.0000	\$7,000.00	\$13.0000	\$9,100.00	\$13.0000	\$9,100.00	\$22.0000	\$15,400.00	\$8.0000	\$4,200.00
44000100	Pavement Removal		SQ YD	797	\$15.0000	\$11,955.00	\$8.0000	\$6,376.00	\$22.0000	\$17,534.00	\$17.6000	\$14,027.20	\$16.6400	\$13,262.08
44000300	Curb Removal		FOOT	77	\$15.0000	\$1,155.00	\$6.5000	\$500.50	\$28.0000	\$2,156.00	\$16.5000	\$1,270.50	\$23.3700	\$1,799.49
606005100	CCC&G, Type B-6.24		FOOT	77	\$70.0000	\$5,390.00	\$73.0000	\$5,621.00	\$126.0000	\$9,702.00	\$77.0000	\$5,925.00	\$60.9800	\$4,695.46
67100100	Mobilization		L SUM	1	\$10,000.0000	\$10,000.00	\$13,122.50	\$13,122.50	\$7,500.0000	\$7,500.00	\$11,000.0000	\$11,000.00	\$350.0000	\$350.00
78001100	Paint PVI Mk - Ltrs & Symb		SQ FT	12	\$10.0000	\$120.00	\$15.0000	\$182.00	\$24.0000	\$288.00	\$14.3000	\$171.60	\$10.5000	\$126.00
78001110	Paint PVI Mk - Line 4"		FOOT	1150	\$0.9500	\$1,092.50	\$0.4000	\$460.00	\$1.0000	\$1,150.00	\$0.7700	\$885.50	\$2.8000	\$3,220.00
X0300019	Rem Rein Pk Blks		EACH	14	\$50.0000	\$700.00	\$50.0000	\$700.00	\$100.0000	\$1,400.00	\$192.5000	\$2,695.00	\$120.0000	\$1,680.00
XX006343	Seeding (Complete)		SQ YD	156	\$5.0000	\$780.00	\$15.0000	\$2,340.00	\$23.0000	\$3,588.00	\$24.2000	\$3,775.20	\$4.1600	\$648.96
Z0013798	Construction Layout		L SUM	1	\$5,000.0000	\$5,000.00	\$4,500.0000	\$4,500.00	\$8,200.0000	\$8,200.00	\$5,500.0000	\$5,500.00	\$5,500.0000	\$5,500.00
Total Bid:						\$174,316.00		\$224,879.00		\$224,879.00		\$247,079.80		\$253,038.54
As Read:						\$174,316.00		\$224,879.00		\$224,879.00		\$247,079.80		\$253,023.44
As Calculated:								(10.31)%		15.70 %		27.12 %		30.18 %
% Over/Under:														



Local Public Agency
Formal Contract Proposal



COVER SHEET

Proposal Submitted By:
 Contractor's Name
 Stark Excavating, Inc.

Contractor's Address
 1805 W. Washington St.

City
 Bloomington

State
 IL

Zip Code
 61701

STATE OF ILLINOIS

Local Public Agency
 City of Farmer City

County
 DeWitt

Section Number

Route(s) (Street/Road Name)
 Parking Lot Improvements

Type of Funds
 Local

Proposal Only Proposal and Plans Proposal only, plans are separate

Submitted/Approved
 For Local Public Agency:

For a County and Road District Project

Submitted/Approved

Highway Commissioner Signature Date

Submitted/Approved

County Engineer/Superintendent of Highways Date

For a Municipal Project

Submitted/Approved/Passed

Signature Date
[Signature] 11-28-22

Official Title
 City Manager

Department of Transportation

Released for bid based on limited review

Regional Engineer Signature Date

Note: All proposal documents, including Proposal Guaranty Checks or Proposal Bid Bonds, should be stapled together to prevent loss when bids are processed.

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed proposals for the project described below will be received at the office of City Clerk
105 S. Main St.; Farmer City, IL 61842 until 10:00 AM on 01/31/23
Address Time Date

Sealed proposals will be opened and read publicly at the office of City Clerk
105 S. Main St.; Farmer City, IL 61842 at 10:00 AM on 01/31/23
Address Time Date

DESCRIPTION OF WORK

Location	Project Length
Parking Lot Improvements off of George Rock Drive @ Gibson Area Hospital Clinic	206.1 Feet

Proposed Improvement
 The work on this project consists of pavement removal, placement of unreinforced Portland cement concrete pavement, sidewalk, and concrete curb and gutter, pavement striping and other collateral work as necessary to complete the project.

1. Plans and proposal forms will be available in the office of
Maurer-Stutz, Inc.
3116 N. Dries Ln.; Ste 100; Peoria, IL 61604

2. Prequalification
 If checked, the 2 apparent as read low bidders must file within 24 hours after the letting an "Affidavit of Availability" (Form BC 57) in triplicate, showing all uncompleted contracts awarded to them and all low bids pending award for Federal, State, County, Municipal and private work. One original shall be filed with the Awarding Authority and two originals with the IDOT District Office.
3. The Awarding Authority reserves the right to waive technicalities and to reject any or all proposals as provided in BLRS Special Provision for Bidding Requirements and Conditions for Contract Proposals.
4. The following BLR Forms shall be returned by the bidder to the Awarding Authority:
 - a. Local Public Agency Formal Contract Proposal (BLR 12200)
 - b. Schedule of Prices (BLR 12201)
 - c. Proposal Bid Bond (BLR 12230) (if applicable)
 - ~~d. Apprenticeship or Training Program Certification (BLR 12325) (do not use for project with Federal funds.)~~
 - e. Affidavit of Illinois Business Office (BLR 12326) (do not use for project with Federal funds)
5. The quantities appearing in the bid schedule are approximate and are prepared for the comparison of bids. Payment to the Contractor will be made only for the actual quantities of work performed and accepted or materials furnished according to the contract. The scheduled quantities of work to be done and materials to be furnished may be increased, decreased or omitted as hereinafter provided.
6. Submission of a bid shall be conclusive assurance and warranty the bidder has examined the plans and understands all requirements for the performance of work. The bidder will be responsible for all errors in the proposal resulting from failure or neglect to conduct an in depth examination. The Awarding Authority will, in no case, be responsible for any costs, expenses, losses or changes in anticipated profits resulting from such failure or neglect of the bidder.
7. The bidder shall take no advantage of any error or omission in the proposal and advertised contract.
8. If a special envelope is supplied by the Awarding Authority, each proposal should be submitted in that envelope furnished by the Awarding Agency and the blank spaces on the envelope shall be filled in correctly to clearly indicate its contents. When an envelope other than the special one furnished by the Awarding Authority is used, it shall be marked to clearly indicate its contents. When sent by mail, the sealed proposal shall be addressed to the Awarding Authority at the address and in care of the official in whose office the bids are to be received. All proposals shall be filed prior to the time and at the place specified in the Notice to Bidders. Proposals received after the time specified will be returned to the bidder unopened.
9. Permission will be given to a bidder to withdraw a proposal if the bidder makes the request in writing or in person before the time for opening proposals.

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PROPOSAL

1. Proposal of Stark Excavating, Inc.
Contractor's Name
1805 W. Washington St. Bloomington, IL 61701
Contractor's Address

2. The plans for the proposed work are those prepared by Maurer-Stutz, Inc; 3116 N. Dries Ln.; Peoria, IL 61604
and approved by the Department of Transportation on _____.

3. The specifications referred to herein are those prepared by the Department of Transportation and designated as "Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction" and the " Supplemental Specifications and Recurring Special Provisions" thereto, adopted and in effect on the date of invitation for bids.

4. The undersigned agrees to accept, as part of the contract, the applicable Special Provisions indicated on the "Check Sheet for Recurring Special Provisions" contained in this proposal.

5. The undersigned agrees to complete the work within 20 working days or by _____ unless additional time is granted in accordance with the specifications.

6. The successful bidder at the time of execution of the contract will be required to deposit a contract bond for the full amount of the award. When a contract bond is not required, the proposal guaranty check will be held in lieu thereof. If this proposal is accepted and the undersigned fails to execute a contract and contract bond as required, it is hereby agreed that the Bid Bond of check shall be forfeited to the Awarding Authority.

7. Each pay item should have a unit price and a total price. If no total price is shown or if there is a discrepancy between the products of the unit price multiplied by the quantity, the unit price shall govern. If a unit price is omitted, the total price will be divided by the quantity in order to establish a unit price. A bid may be declared unacceptable if neither a unit price nor a total price is shown.

8. The undersigned submits herewith the schedule of prices on BLR 12201 covering the work to be performed under this contract.

9. The undersigned further agrees that if awarded the contract for the sections contained in the combinations on BLR 12201, the work shall be in accordance with the requirements of each individual proposal for the multiple bid specified in the Schedule for Multiple Bids below.

10. A proposal guaranty in the proper amount, as specified in BLRS Special Provision for Bidding Requirements and Conditions for Contract Proposals, will be required. Bid Bonds will be allowed as a proposal guaranty. Accompanying this proposal is either a bid bond, if allowed, on Department form BLR 12230 or a proposal guaranty check, complying with the specifications, made payable to: the City Treasurer of Farmer City.

The amount of the check is Bid Bond- 5% (5% Bid Bond).

Attach Cashier's Check or Certified Check Here

In the event that one proposal guaranty check is intended to cover two or more bid proposals, the amount must be equal to the sum of the proposal guaranties which would be required for each individual bid proposal. If the proposal guaranty check is placed in another bid proposal, state below where it may be found.

The proposal guaranty check will be found in the bid proposal for: Section Number _____.

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CONTRACTOR CERTIFICATIONS

The certifications hereinafter made by the bidder are each a material representation of fact upon which reliance is placed should the Department enter into the contract with the bidder.

1. **Debt Delinquency.** The bidder or contractor or subcontractor, respectively, certifies that it is not delinquent in the payment of any tax administered by the Department of Revenue unless the individual or other entity is contesting, in accordance with the procedure established by the appropriate Revenue Act, its liability for the tax or the amount of the tax. Making a false statement voids the contract and allows the Department to recover all amounts paid to the individual or entity under the contract in a civil action.
2. **Bid-Rigging or Bid Rotating.** The bidder or contractor or subcontractor, respectively, certifies that it is not barred from contracting with the Department by reason of a violation of either 720 ILCS 5/33E-3 or 720 ILCS 5/33E-4.

A violation of section 33E-3 would be represented by a conviction of the crime of bid-rigging which, in addition to Class 3 felony sentencing, provides that any person convicted of this offense, or any similar offense of any state or the United States which contains the same elements as this offense shall be barred for 5 years from the date of conviction from contracting with any unit of State or local government. No corporation shall be barred from contracting with any unit of State or local government as a result of a conviction under this Section of any employee or agent of such corporation if the employee so convicted is no longer employed by the corporation: (1) it has been finally adjudicated not guilty or (2) if it demonstrates to the governmental entity with which it seeks to contract that entity finds that the commission of the offense was neither authorized, requested, commanded, nor performed by a director, officer or a high managerial agent on behalf of the corporation.

A violation of Section 33E-4 would be represented by a conviction of the crime of bid-rotating which, in addition to Class 2 felony sentencing, provides that any person convicted of this offense or any similar offense of any state or the United States which contains the same elements as this offense shall be permanently barred from contracting with any unit of State of Local government. No corporation shall be barred from contracting with any unit of State or Local government as a result of a conviction under this Section of any employee or agent of such corporation if the employee so convicted is no longer employed by the corporation and: (1) it has been finally adjudicated not guilty or (2) if it demonstrates to the governmental entity with which it seeks to contract and that entity finds that the commission of the offense was neither authorized, requested, commanded, nor performed by a director, officer or a high managerial agent on behalf of the corporation.

3. **Bribery.** The bidder or contractor or subcontractor, respectively, certifies that, it has not been convicted of bribery or attempting to bribe an officer or employee of the State of Illinois or any unit of local government, nor has the firm made an admission of guilt of such conduct which is a matter or record, nor has an official, agent, or employee of the firm committed bribery or attempted bribery on behalf of the firm and pursuant to the direction or authorization of a responsible official of the firm.
4. **Interim Suspension or Suspension.** The bidder or contractor or subcontractor, respectively, certifies that it is not currently under a suspension as defined in Subpart I of Title 44 Subtitle A Chapter III Part 6 of the Illinois Administrative code. Furthermore, if suspended prior to completion of this work, the contract or contracts executed for the completion of this work may be canceled.

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SIGNATURES

(If an individual)

Signature of Bidder	Date	
Business Address		
City	State	Zip Code

(If a partnership)

Firm Name		
Signature	Date	
Title		
Business Address		
City	State	Zip Code

Insert the Names and Addresses of all Partners

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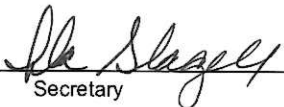
(If a corporation)

Corporate Name		
Stark Excavating, Inc.		
Signature	Date	
<i>Dave K Stark</i>	1-31-2023	
Title		
Vice President		
Business Address		
1805 W. Washington St.		
City	State	Zip Code
Bloomington	IL	61701

Insert Names of Officers

President
Dave K. Stark

Attest:


Secretary

Secretary

Ila J. Slagell

Treasurer

Gary W. Masso



Schedule of Prices



Contractor's Name

Stark Excavating, Inc.

Contractor's Address

1805 W. Washington St.

City

Bloomington

State

IL

Zip Code

61701

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Schedule for Multiple Bids

Combination Letter	Section Included in Combinations	Total

Schedule for Single Bid

(For complete information covering these items, see plans and specifications.)

Item Number	Items	Unit	Quantity	Unit Price	Total
20200100	EARTH EXCAVATION	CU YD	475	40.00	\$ 19,000.00
28000400	PERIMETER EROS BAR	FOOT	302	3.50	\$ 1,057.00
28000510	INLET FILTERS	EACH	1	145.00	\$ 145.00
35101400	AGG BASE CSE B	TON	581	47.00	\$ 27,307.00
42300100	PCC DRIVEWAY PAVT 5	SQ YD	1590	47.50	\$ 75,525.00
42300400	PCC DRIVEWAY PAVT 8	SQ YD	108	77.50	\$ 8,370.00
42400100	PC CONC SIDEWALK 4	SQ FT	700	13.00	\$ 9,100.00
44000100	PAVEMENT REM	SQ YD	797	8.00	\$ 6,376.00
44000300	CURB REM	FOOT	77	6.50	\$ 500.50
60605100	COMB CC&G TB6.24 AEP	FOOT	77	73.00	\$ 5,621.00
67100100	MOBILIZATION	L SUM	1	13,122.50	\$ 13,122.50
78001100	PT PVT MK LTRS & SYMB	SQ FT	12	16.00	\$ 192.00
78001110	PAINT PVT MK LINE 4	FOOT	1150	0.40	\$ 460.00
X0300019	REM REIN PARKING BLKS	EACH	14	50.00	\$ 700.00
XX006343	SEEDING (COMPLETE)	SQ YD	156	15.00	\$ 2,340.00
Z0013798	CONSTRUCTION LAYOUT	L SUM	1	4,500.00	\$ 4,500.00
Bidder's Total Proposal					\$ 174,316.00

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701 E Clinton Ave Farmer City, IL 61842

Office Number: 309-928-9400

Mobile: 309-660-4645

<http://fcoutreach.com>

January 23, 2023

Sue,

Outreach has offered senior day trips for many years to Farmer City and the surrounding communities. In the past it was twice a month, at this time we offer them once a month. The cost to the riders is \$10.00. Piattran is our transportation and they charge \$19.00 per person. We charge seniors pay \$10.00 to ride and balance was paid by Cerro Gordo senior citizen organization. I received a call from Katie (director) this morning stating that they will not be getting the funding this year for the trips. She stated that Cerro Gordo has donated some city funding to them for the seniors in her area. That without additional funding for the trips in our area they can't happen. Katie suggested that I reach out to the city for funding.

We have had two (October and November) since I have been here and the seniors really look forward to them. For the November trip I had a waiting list. We ask that there be a minimum of 15 people signed up for the trip to proceed and the maxim is 26 people (that fills the bus). The leader of the group usually rides for free. The trips are March thru December, we allow anyone over 40 to ride.

These trips are something that I would hate to see our community lose. So, I am asking you and the city council is there any possible way that the city could see its way of helping with the funding of the trips?

Thank you

Tina Harrison

Director