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## **Silvis approves \$3.5 million in grants**

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SILVIS -- Aldermen on Tuesday night unanimously approved ordinances authorizing the issuance of up to \$3.5 million in Build America and general obligation bonds and the hiring of bond council.

Of that amount, \$2.5 million will be used to complete resurfacing of 10th street and \$600,000 will be put toward buying two new fire trucks, said Ald. Barb Fox, 2nd Ward.

The city will receive 35 percent of the bond payments back from the federal government as a rebate that can be used for non-TIF expenses. The city plans to use the money to cover the general obligation portion of this bond issuance, Ald. Fox said.

In other business:

-- Scott Noyd addressed the city's ordinance prohibiting the ownership of more than three dogs or cats in a single-family residence. "To me, it's like a one-size-fits-all deal," said Mr. Noyd who has been cited for having six dogs. He asked if the city would consider an ordinance giving a variance to residents if they prove they can take care of more than three animals. Ald. Bob Fulton, 3rd Ward, scheduled an ordinance committee meeting for 9 a.m. Nov. 18 to discuss the matter.

-- Ald. Fox said the 1st and 2nd wards will hold a town hall meeting at 7 p.m. Thursday in the McGehee Center to discuss projects and residents' concerns.

-- Ald. Bob Cervantes, 1st Ward, said Silvis will hold a Veteran's Day service at 11 a.m. Nov. 11 at the Hero Street Memorial. Col. Matthew Higgenbotham will be the guest speaker.

-- City clerk Jim Nelson said the last ad for the full-time billing clerk position will be Thursday in The Dispatch/Rock Island Argus. The city has received about 80 applications so far, he said, with applications due by Nov. 10. The civil service test for the position will be at 9 a.m. Nov. 13 at United Township High School.

