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CITY OF BRAIDWOOD AGENDA
Regular Meeting, Tuesday January 24, 2017 @ 7:00pm

Call to Order
Pledge of Allegiance
Roll Call
Public Comment

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – January 10, 2017 Regular Meeting

REPORTS BY CITY OFFICIALS

Mayor-

Administrator-

Clerk-

Engineer-

City Attorney-

REPORTS BY CITY COMMISSIONERS

Accounts and Finances -Payment of Bills
-Payroll Expenses

Streets and Public Improvements -

Public Property-

Public Health & Safety- Resolution 17-1 Approve the Financing for Purchase of Police Radios
-Resolution 17-2 Agreement to Purchase Police Radios

Planning & Zoning-

Executive Session- Discuss personnel, pending and/or imminent litigation, collective bargaining/labor relations or land acquisition
-Actions to be taken following Executive Session:

Old Business

New Business

Adjournment

CITY OF BRAIDWOOD
City Council Regular Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, January 24, 2017

Call to Order
Mayor Vehrs called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Pledge of Allegiance
Mayor Vehrs asked Chief Ficarello to lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call
Elected Officials present: Commissioner Hibler, Commissioner Hutton, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Tessler and Mayor Vehrs were present.

Appointed officials present: City Attorney Campbell, City Clerk Sue Grygiel, Chief Nick Ficarello and City Administrator Don Labriola. City Engineer was absent.

Public Comment
Angie Hutton, wanted to let the council know that Melissa's Closet and Crystal's Jewelry Box is taking prom dresses again this year at Whitmore's Hardware. Laurie from Whitmore's sent Angie an email telling her that a store in Morris is wanting to donate prom dresses and accessories after their sale on February 25th. They have about 100 dresses and accessories to choose from but we would need an enclosed trailer. Angie asked if they could use the Food Pantry's enclosed trailer. The Mayor had no problem with them using the trailer and Comm. Hutton offered to pull the trailer for them.
Closed at 7:07pm.

Approval of Minutes
Comm. Smith made a motion, seconded by Comm. Hutton to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of January 10, 2017. Motion approved 5 ayes, 0 nays (Smith, Hutton, Hibler, Tessler & Mayor Vehrs).

REPORTS BY CITY OFFICIALS
Mayor
The Mayor advised everyone that we're getting ready for Red Carpet Corridor and still have things that have to get done at the end of the month. Red Carpet Corridor is on May 6th & 7th and anyone wanting to participate please contact Laurie in city hall. The Mayor also thanked the Police Chief and Commissioner of Public Health & Safety for the outstanding job that they're continuing to do for our residents here in Braidwood. Not just in the stopping of drugs but the safety of vehicles. Mayor has been getting feedback from some of our residents that they really like some of the new officers that were hired. The Mayor reiterated again, great job guys. The Mayor said he will keep everyone posted on what's coming up in the summer months, and it's going to be a very busy summer here.

Administrator
Don wanted to give a few updates for the council. Our new dispatch center, the walls continuing to go up on the new Laraway Center and hopefully will be moving there in the next 10-12 months. So far he understands that 11 agencies signed and are on board, looking at possibly 31 altogether, the more that join the lower our cost will be. The hotel study is going well and hoping to get wrapped up in the next couple of weeks. Had meeting today with hotel consultant and Comm. Hutton and had some really good feedback.

City Clerk
Nothing to Report.

Engineer
Absent.

City Attorney
Nothing to Report.

REPORTS BY CITY COMMISSIONERS

Accounts & Finances

Comm. Hibler made a motion to pay the total bills due on our Check Register in the amount of $112,133.13, seconded by Comm. Smith. Motion approved with 5 ayes, 0 nays (Hibler, Hutton, Smith, Tessler & Mayor Vehrs).

Comm. Hibler made a motion to pay the Payroll Expenses due in the amount of $92,781.48, seconded by Comm. Hutton. Motion approved 5 ayes, 0 nays (Hibler, Smith, Hutton, Tessler & Mayor Vehrs).

Streets & Public Improvements

Comm. Smith didn't have much going on. Our weather has been so up and down that guys been working on equipment. He's very glad to see them working on equipment during down time, painting things to keep them from rusting. They're saving us money by keeping the equipment in working condition, can't afford the new equipment, it's so costly. We are going to try our best to keep doing what we can the best we can. We have a lot of streets that need to be fixed and will do the best we can with what we have. Motor Fuel Tax doesn't allow us a lot of money but will work with what we get.

Public Property

Comm. Hutton said the talked with John Bohac about going through Tryner's Farm to clean the outfall of the plant. John said he thinks he can do this in one day. Talked with Engineer Hertz right after John asking if we needed a permit or not and is checking with the Army Corp. of Engineers right now. Jim brought up the Boom truck that he and Fay have been talking about. Jim checked with Western Auto and they don't have one we are looking for yet, but he gets a 35 footer off and on. Western Auto's estimate for a used one is between $20,000-$25,000. A Defensive Driving class through our insurance carrier is being held on February 14th for Public Works at no cost to city. Comm. Hutton gave the Outside Crews report and daily operations. They were working on the gate at the plant having a little problem with it from the ice storm. We are getting prices on a new gate opener and the one we have now is obsolete. Then gave the Plant Crews Report and they had been working on Well #3 control power and harmonics. The 911 scada system stopped working, found out that as of January 1st the cellular modem was 2G AT&T and they switched to 4G and the modem has to be updated. Public Works had Flagger Training. Stewart Spreading was in town last week and took 30 tons of sludge for spreading up North, so our beds are almost down to nothing.

Public Health & Safety

Comm. Tessler gave the Chief's numbers report from 1/10-1/24/17, total calls for service 232. Then addressed his Agenda items Resolution 17-1 and 17-2. Due to not receiving quotes here on time for meeting tonight, he would like to Table these items to the next meeting. These (2) items will most likely become one Resolution.
Comm. Tessler made a motion to Table Resolution 17-1 and 17-2 until the next meeting, seconded by Comm. Smith. Motion approved 5 ayes, 0 nays (Tessler, Smith, Hibler, Hutton and Mayor Vehrs).

Planning & Zoning Board Report

Zoning Board Member Jim Canup advised the council they have a meeting on February 6th for a Rezone on Will Road.

Executive Session
No request made for Executive Session.

Old Business
Nothing to Report.

New Business
Nothing to Report.

Adjournment
Comm. Tessler made motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 7:17pm, seconded by Comm. Smith.
Motion approved with 5 ayes, 0 nays (Tessler, Smith, Hibler, Smith & Mayor Vehrs)
Meeting adjourned.

Approved this 14th day of February 2017

J. Vehrs
Mayor

Sue Grygiel
City Clerk

AYES: 5
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 0
ABSTAIN: 0