

CITY OF BRAIDWOOD AGENT
Regular Meeting, Tuesday, February 28, 2023 at 7:00pm

I. Call to Order

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Roll Call by City Clerk

**James Mikel, Jr.
Fay Smith**

**Doug Money
Robert Jones**

Warren Wietting

IV. Public Comment: State your full name and spell your last name. Section 2-34 of the Braidwood Code of Ordinances imposes a three (3) minute limit for each person during public comment.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Approve Minutes of the Tuesday, February 14, 2023 Regular Meeting

VI. REPORTS BY CITY OFFICIALS

A. Mayor

B. Administrator

1. Ordinance authorizing the City of Braidwood to enter into and for the Mayor of Braidwood to execute an agreement between the City of Braidwood and Commonwealth Edison Company

C. Clerk

D. Engineer

E. City Attorney

VII. REPORTS BY CITY COMMISSIONERS

A. Accounts and Finances

1. Approve Payment of Bills
2. Approve Payroll

B. Streets and Public Improvements

C. Public Buildings & Property

D. Public Health & Safety

1. Ordinance authorizing the execution of an engagement letter between the City of Braidwood and Storino, Ramello & Durkin regarding labor and employment services
2. Ordinance waiving competitive bidding and approving the purchase of a 2023 Dodge Charger for use by the Braidwood Police Department

E. Planning & Zoning

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

IX. NEW BUSINESS

X. EXECUTIVE SESSION

XI. Next City Council Meeting is Tuesday, March 14, 2023 at 7:00pm

XII. ADJOURNMENT

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Braidwood City Council Tuesday, February 28, 2023
Braidwood City Hall 141 W. Main St., Braidwood, IL 60408**

Call to Order: The Regular Meeting of the Braidwood City Council on February 28, 2023 was called to order at 7:00 p.m., by Mayor Jones in the Council Chambers of the Braidwood City Hall.

Pledge of Allegiance: Mayor Jones requested all rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Upon Roll Call by the Clerk, the following members of the corporate authorities answered "Here" or "Present";

Elected Officials:

Present: Commissioner Mikel, Commissioner Wietting, Commissioner Smith, and Mayor Jones

Absent: Commissioner Money

Appointed Officials:

Present: City Administrator Altiery, Chief Lyons, City Engineer Dave Weber and City Attorney Wellner

Absent: City Clerk Bohac (Sarah Weaver filled in)

Quorum: There being sufficient members of the corporate authorities in attendance to constitute a quorum, the meeting was declared in order.

Public Comment: Chris Earling spoke said that he FOIA the last 4 years of financial reports and found that the city was almost 3 million in debt in 2019 and now the city is in the positive. Also said thank you to everyone for their hard work and good luck to some of the candidates running in the upcoming election.

Approval of Minutes: Commissioner Mikel made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Wietting, to approve meeting minutes from the February 14, 2023. Regular Council Meeting. Motion carried with 4 ayes: 0 nays. (Mikel, Wietting, Smith and Jones)

Mayor's Report:

Administrator Report:

City Clerk Report:

Engineer Report:

Chief of Police:

City Attorney Report:

Accounts & Finance Report: Commissioner Wietting made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Mikel, to approve the Payment of Bills, in the amount of \$234,821.50 as identified in the Accounts Payable General Ledger dated February 28, 2023. Motion carried with 4 ayes: 0 nays. (Mikel, Wietting, Smith and Jones) Commissioner Wietting then made a Motion, seconded by Commissioner Mikel, to

Approve Payroll Expenses, in the amount of \$88,360.41 as identified in the Payroll General Ledger dated February 28, 2023. Motion carried with 4 ayes; 0 nays. (Mikel, Wietting, Smith and Jones).

Streets & Public Improvement Report: Asked admin Tony about saving money since we switched garbage companies but bills never dropped and Tony explained that people saved money because their bills did not go up and everyone got a free yard waste cans. Smith also said garbage cans keep getting turned over and don't understand why. Tony said they are the same cans WM used and we've been dealing with a lot of wind lately. Tony said anyone can come in and look at paperwork or sit down with him and he can explain everything and numbers. Smith went on to say that he hasn't gotten anything accomplished in these last 4 years because he hasn't had any money and never got money back that was taken from his department years prior. Says he hopes the city stays good and doesn't turn to a slum like Chicago. Shadow lakes is a part of the city and they need to be treated that way and also said he's going to enjoy retirement.

Public Property Report: Gave information regarding the bids

Public Health & Safety Report: Commissioner Mikel made a motion for an ordinance authorizing the execution of an engagement letter between the City of Braidwood and Storino, Ramello & Durkin regarding labor and employment services, motion was seconded by Commissioner Wietting. Motion carried with 3 ayes, 1 nay (Mikel, Wietting, Jones) Commissioner Smith said he would not say yes to this because he didn't see information on it, Attorney Wellner told him that the information was available for the last almost 2 weeks and if he had any question he could have contacted him or City Hall to ask questions. Commissioner Mikel also made a motion seconded by Commissioner Wietting for an ordinance authorizing waiving competitive bidding and approving the purchase of a 2023 Dodge Charger for use by the Braidwood Police Department. Motion was then rescinded by Commissioner Wietting, seconded by Commissioner Mike. Motion to rescind carried with 4 ayes, 0 nays. (Mikel, Wietting, Jones, Smith) Attorney Wellner suggested rescinding this and dealing with it at a later time. Commissioner Mikel gave a report on totals for the month and also stated that the PD is looking to hire police officers.

Planning & Zoning Report:

Old Business:

New Business:

Adjournment: Commissioner Wietting made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Mikel, to adjourn the February 28, 2023 regular meeting of the Braidwood City Council. Motion carried with 4 ayes: 0 nays. (Mikel, Wietting, Smith and Jones) The next regular meeting of the Council will be held Tuesday, March 14, 2023 at 7:00pm

Approved this 14 Day of March, 2023.

 Mayor
 City Clerk

