

CITY OF BRAIDWOOD
Agenda
City Council Regular Meeting
Tuesday, March 26, 2013, 7:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers

Call to Order
Pledge of Allegiance
Roll Call
Public Comment
Approval of Minutes

March 12, 2013 –Regular Meeting

Reports by City Officials

Mayor

Motion to Approve a Resolution to Include Compensation Paid Under an Internal Revenue Code Section 125 Plan as IMRF earnings.

Administrator

Clerk

Request for use of the council room by the NRC on Thursday, August 8, 2013 at 6:00 pm.

FOIA Requests Report

Request by the Salvation Army to add May 31 and June 1 to the 2013 Donut Days due to the increasing demand for services from people in need

Engineer / City Planner

Monthly Report

City Attorney

Motion to approve an Ordinance Relating to Standards for Public Works Contracts

Motion to approve an Ordinance Relating to the Standards for Lowest Responsible Bidder

Motion to approve an Ordinance to repay TIF I

Reports by City Commissioners

Accounts and Finances

Payment of Bills

Payroll

Request for Approval of the Health Care Renewal Fiscal Year 2014 (5/1/13 – 4/30/14) for Blue Cross/Blue Shield Plan for the City of Braidwood

Streets and Public Improvements

Public Property

Public Health & Safety

Presentation of Awards - Whitmore Ace Hardware and Retired Sgt. Rex King

Planning & Zoning Board Report

Recommendation for the Final Casey's Consolidation Plat

Old Business

New Business

Executive Session to discuss personnel, pending and/or imminent litigation, collective bargaining/labor relations, or land acquisition

Adjournment

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Call to Order

Mayor Rulien called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by everyone present.

Roll Call

Elected Officials present: Mayor Bill Rulien, Commissioner of Public Property Jim Hutton, Commissioner of Streets and Public Improvements Danny Graf, Commissioner of Public Health and Safety Eric Tessler, and Commissioner of Accounts and Finances Elena Hibler.

Appointed officials present: City Attorney Scott Pyles, Police Chief /City Administrator Rich Girot, City Engineer Howard Hamilton and City Clerk Lisa Glisson

Public Comment

None.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes for the March 12, 2013 Regular Meeting were approved as written.

Reports by City Officials

Mayor Rulien requested a motion to approve Resolution 13-3 to Include Compensation Paid Under an Internal Revenue Code Section 125 Plan as IMRF earnings. Comm. Tessler made the motion. Seconded by Comm. Hibler. Discussion: City Clerk explained the medical insurance is a pre-tax deduction and does not apply to pensionable income, but the City has been including it as income since the plan started and since it would take more in union negotiations and effort in redoing the last four years of IMRF deductions for all employees, if we pass the resolution we can continue to count it as pension income. The motion was approved with 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler, Rulien) 0 nays.

Mayor Rulien presented Mike Cripe and Lori Becker from Whitmore Ace Hardware with the Business Excellence Award for their community service. The Mayor thanked them for the paint they donated to the City so that the inside of the whole building was painted for the first time since it was built.

Chief Girot and Comm. Tessler presented Sgt. Rex King with an award for his retirement. Chief Girot advised that Rex retired from the police department on March 11, 2013 and the odd thing is his start date

was March 11, 1998. Chief Girot and Comm. Tessler congratulated and thanked him on his service and retirement with the police department.

City Administrator Rich Girot advised still working on a few things.

City Clerk Lisa Glisson advised early voting is available from March 25th through April 5th at City Hall, voting will be done here from 9-5 every day but Good Friday. City Clerk reported there were no new FOIA requests. The NRC (Nuclear Regulatory Commission) requested the use of the council room on Thursday, August 8th at 6:00 pm for their annual meeting. Mayor advised we did not need a motion for that, it is fine if they use it. Another request came in from the Salvation Army to add two more Donut Days on May 31st and June 1st.

Mayor Rulien requested a motion to approve a tag day for Donut Days on May 31st and June 1, 2013. Comm. Tessler made the motion. Seconded by Comm. Hibler. Discussion: Comm. Hutton wanted to make sure that they would not be at the intersection at Rt. 53 only at Division and Main or Division and Kennedy. The motion was approved with 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler, Rulien) 0 nays.

City Engineer advised nothing to report.

City Attorney Scott Pyles reported there are two issues that we have combined to make one ordinance regarding the bidding procedure for the City. The City has no ordinance on file as to what the standards for bidding are. Attorney summarized the ordinance and asked for any questions. Comm. Hutton stated that this used to all be done by the engineers. Mayor advised that would still be what we will do but this at least sets standards for us to go by. Attorney advised he worked with Howard Hamilton on this and surveyed other like minded Cities and Villages to see what their standards are. Mayor advised this also only covers City projects not what you do as a private homeowner. Comm. Tessler asked if it is only for jobs over \$20,000.00. Attorney advised yes, there is a different procedure for under that amount.

Mayor Rulien requested a motion to Approve Ordinance (13-7) An Ordinance to Amend the Administration Chapter of the Code of Ordinances. Comm. Tessler made the motion. Seconded by Comm. Hibler. The motion was approved with 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler, Rulien) 0 nays.

Reports by City Commissioners

Comm. Hibler moved to pay \$121,221.56 in bills and \$500.00 for a donation from the police department to the National Law Enforcement Museum in Washington DC to honor fallen officers. Comm. Hutton seconded. The motion was approved with 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler, Rulien) 0 nays.

Comm. Hibler moved to pay \$68,289.33 in payroll. Comm. Tessler seconded. The motion was approved with 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler, Rulien) 0 nays.

Comm. Hibler moved to approve the renewal bid for the Blue Cross Blue Shield insurance plan for fiscal year 2014 with a \$5,000.00 increase for the year. Comm. Hutton seconded. The motion was approved with 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler, Rulien) 0 nays.

Commissioner of Streets and Public (Comm. Graf) – commended the public works employees for the great job they have done with the snow plowing this year. Hopefully that is the last hooray for winter.

Commissioner of Public Properties (Comm. Hutton) read his bi-weekly reports from the outside crew and the plant crew.

Commissioner of Public Health & Safety (Comm. Tessler) read a letter from the Coal City Fire Department thanking the police and public works for the traffic control and use of filling station during the 4 alarm fire. Comm. Tessler read the press release regarding the traffic stop by Ofc. Savarino on March 12th, 2012 south bound on I-55 which resulted in the arrest of all 4 occupants for the vehicle and seized \$32,227.00 USC which was concealed in several areas of the vehicle, also on November 28, 2012 while patrolling north bound I-55 Ofc. Savarino seized \$60,000.00 on a traffic stop of a silver Chevy cruze, within a three month time period Ofc. Savarino seized \$90 thousand dollars while patrolling I-55 which has been deposited into the drug forfeiture fund to be used for purchase of equipment and police vehicles at no cost to the tax payers.

Planning and Zoning

Mayor advised Michelle Serena was unable to attend so he was going to read the minutes from the meeting for the consolidation of the plat for Casey's. Mayor advised the consolidation plat was approved by the Zoning Board with a 5 ayes vote, 0 nays and 2 absent.

Mayor Rulien asked for a motion to approve the final consolidated plat for Casey's General Store. Comm. Hutton made that motion, seconded by Comm. Hibler. The motion was approved with 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler, Rulien) 0 nays.

Old Business

Comm. Hutton asked if there had been any news on the high speed rail? Mayor advised that he has not heard anything lately on it, but he believes they are to double track it now since IDOT told them that if Obama was re-elected that is what they were going to do.

Comm. Hutton asked about the interchange at Rt. 129. Mayor advised there has been notice from the State that they will be replacing the interchange with the Illiana Expressway going to be put in. Mayor advised they have seen the plans that you will be able to get on and off both expressways once it is done.

Adjournment

Mayor Rulien asked for a motion to adjourn. Comm. Hutton made that motion, seconded by Comm. Tessler. The motion was approved with 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler, Rulien) 0 nays.

Approved this 11 day of April 2013

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Lisa Atleson City Clerk