

CITY OF BRAIDWOOD AGENDA
Regular Meeting, Tuesday, March 26, 2024 at 7:00pm

I. Call to Order

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Roll Call by City Clerk

Doug Money

Ron Wilczak Sr.

Warren Wietting

Karen Hart

Dale Walsh

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, March 12, 2024 Regular Meeting

VI. REPORTS BY CITY OFFICIALS

A. Mayor

1. Request a motion for Ordinance 24-7 Authorizing the City of Braidwood to enter into and for the Mayor of Braidwood to Execute and Agreement between the City of Braidwood and WIPFLI, LLP Regarding an Annual Audit for Fiscal Year ending April 30, 2023
2. Request a motion for Resolution 24-1 Addressing Consent and Conflicts
3. Request a motion for Ordinance 24-8 Authorizing the City of Braidwood to enter into and for the Mayor of Braidwood to execute a Settlement and Release Agreement between the City of Braidwood and Shadow Lakes II Association, Inc.

B. Administrator

C. Clerk

D. Engineer

E. City Attorney

VII. REPORTS BY CITY COMMISSIONERS

A. Accounts and Finances

1. Approve Payment of Bills **\$135,721.33**
2. Approve Payroll **\$86,119.98**

B. Streets and Public Improvements

C. Public Buildings & Property

1. Motion to approve Ordinance 24-9 Amending the City of Braidwood Code of Ordinances Regarding the Minimum monthly Sewer Delivery Charge for Shadow Lakes

D. Public Health & Safety

1. Motion to approve Ordinance 24-10 Amending Section 58-169 of Braidwood's Code of Ordinances to Regulate Open Burning
2. DEA National Medication Takeback on Saturday, April 27, 2024 at the Braidwood Area Healthy Community Coalition Office from 10 am – 2 pm

E. Planning & Zoning

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

IX. NEW BUSINESS

X. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Motion to go into executive session to discuss (i) the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees (5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1)) and (ii) pending, probable, or imminent litigation against, affecting, or on behalf of the City (5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (11))

B. Motion to close executive session

XI. Next City Council Meeting is Tuesday, April 9, 2024 at 7:00pm

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Braidwood City Council Tuesday, March 26, 2024
Braidwood City Hall 141 W. Main St., Braidwood, IL 60408

Call to Order: The Regular Meeting of the Braidwood City Council on March 26, 2024 was called to order at 7:00 p.m., by Mayor Hart in the Council Chambers of the Braidwood City Hall.

Pledge of Allegiance: Mayor Hart 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 Money, Commissioner Walsh, Commissioner Wilczak and Mayor Hart

Absent: Commissioner Wietting

Appointed Officials:

Present: City Clerk Weaver, City Administrator Altiery, and City Attorney Hannah Lamore

Absent: Chief Bret Goodwin and City Engineer Dave Weber

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

Public Comment: Ryck Morales; Public Affairs Specialist from U.S. Small Business Administration: I am here to inform and have you help share information for Will County in Illinois. We have an activity with the Lions Club in Wilmington on April 1, 2024 between 5pm -7 pm. We will be working with the Emergency Management Team from Will County. The reason I am here is because DLOC the center of the SBA is closing on March 29, this Friday at 4pm. Even though we are leaving the people can still apply with the SBA. The deadlines are for physical damages is March 13 and for economic damages is December 13 for the incident period of the ice jams and flooding from the river. I have brought in flyers with important information and a number to call to find out the status of your claim. FEMA did not reach out for this incident we are the only ones but I wanted to include their information. I know people get frustrated with us because we are not grants but if you are referred to us by FEMA you need to know specifically if you are a homeowner or renters that you need to complete the procedure with the SBA. Because if the SBA denies you, the SBA might refer you back to FEMA and then FEMA might give out a grant for assistance. I have a flyer that explains the loans that have a one-year deferment. One more thing, we only provide assistance for homeowner and renter and businesses not the government. Thank you.

Approval of Minutes: Commissioner Wilczak made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Walsh, to approve meeting minutes from the March 12, 2024. Regular Council Meeting. Motion carried with 3 ayes; 0 nays; 1 Abstain (Walsh, Wilczak and Hart)

Mayor's Report: Hart: I would like to request a motion for Ordinance 24-7 Authorizing the City of Braidwood to enter into and for the Mayor of Braidwood to Execute an Agreement between the City of Braidwood and WIPFLI, LLC Regarding an Annual Audit for Fiscal Year ending April 30, 2023. This is very routine but we need to bring it forward and approve it. Commissioner Money made a motion,

seconded by Commissioner Wilczak to approve Ordinance 24-7. Motion carried with 4 ayes: 0 nays: (Money, Walsh, Wilczak and Hart). Second, I am requesting a motion for Resolution 24-1 Addressing Consent and Conflicts. This is to clarify a lawyer who worked for Mastedon, which is the new gas station that is going up on the corner. She left there and was hired by the firm we use. This is something that we need for addressing that she had no conflicts working for us and formally Mastedon. She will not be involved in that at all. Commissioner Money made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Wilczak to approve Resolution 24-1. Motion carried with 4 ayes: 0 nays: (Money, Walsh, Wilczak and Hart). I am requesting a motion for Ordinance 24-8 Authorizing the City of Braidwood to enter into and for the Mayor of Braidwood to execute a Settlement and Release Agreement between the City of Braidwood and Shadow Lakes II Association, Inc. This is something that has been worked on for some time and we have finally reached an agreement. Commissioner Wilczak made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Money to approve Ordinance 24-8. Motion carried with 4 ayes: 0 nays: (Money, Walsh, Wilczak and Hart).

Administrator Report: Altiery: I have been getting some paperwork today from the developer who wants to put the gas station in on the corner of 113. I believe we will be meeting next week to make sure everything is in order. That is why we are not having the meeting April 1. They did not have all the paperwork as needed, until we had all the paperwork we didn't want to bring it to the zoning board. You can see that Ultimate Rides is just a couple weeks out from opening their doors. They have almost a \$2.5 million dollar building there and they will be ready to sell cars soon. He plans on starting with 70-80 vehicles for sale. We found a couple last minute grants and we are applying for them. They should be done by Thursday and get some benefits from that.

City Clerk Report: Weaver: I do have one announcement from the Food Pantry. We have the food pantry here and they are open every Tuesday from 8am – 12pm but they are also extending their hours from 3pm – 5 pm. For anyone who cannot make it during the day they have an additional time slot.

Engineer Report: Absent

City Attorney Report: None

Accounts & Finance Report: Commissioner Money made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Wilczak, to approve the Payment of Bills, in the amount of \$135,721.33 as identified in the Accounts Payable General Ledger dated March 26, 2024. Motion carried with 4 ayes: 0 nays. (Money, Walsh, Wilczak and Hart) Commissioner Money then made a Motion, seconded by Commissioner Wilczak, to Approve Payroll Expenses, in the amount of \$86,119.98 as identified in the Payroll General Ledger dated March 15, 2024. Motion carried with 4 ayes; 0 nays. (Money, Walsh, Wilczak and Hart).

Streets & Public Improvement Report: None

Public Property Report: Money: Commissioner Money made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Walsh, to approve Ordinance 24-9 Amending the City of Braidwood Code of Ordinance Regarding the Minimum monthly Sewer Delivery Charge for Shadow Lakes. Motion carried with 4 ayes: 0 nays: (Money, Walsh, Wilczak and Hart).

Public Health & Safety Report: Wilczak: Commissioner Wilczak made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Walsh, to Table Ordinance 24-10 Amending Section 58-169 of Braidwood's Code of Ordinance to Regulate Open Burning. Motion carried with 4 ayes: 0 nays: (Money, Walsh, Wilczak and Hart). We are looking into a few more considerations before we implement a new ordinance. Next, there are handouts at the table regarding the DEA National Medication Takeback program. This is a program

that they will collect any drug for disposal and provide Narcan Education, Narcan Distribution and Mental Health Resources. This is on Saturday, April 27, 2024 from 10am – 2pm at the Community Coalition Office at 465 E. Reed. St.

Money: To make people aware of this; it is illegal to give your medicine to somebody else. A lot of people will take their old medicine and flush it down the toilet. One of the problems with that is that it does end up in our waterways and tends to pollute the water with that medicine. There is enough stuff in the water we don't need to add to it. By taking it back to this office the DEA has a way to neutralize the medicine. They have packets of stuff they give out that you can do home medicine, you can get the packets there or just drop off the medicine there. This is the best and easiest way so we are not polluting our natural streams.

Hart: I want to add, we do have drop off boxes at the pharmacy and here for drugs also.

Wilczak: There is something called the Citizens Police Academy, this will occur every Thursday night starting May 2 and run through June 20 from 6:30pm – 8:00pm, here at the council chambers. Topics that could be covered are Police Department Overview, Ride Along, Law & Ordinances, Traffic Stops & DUI, Arrest, Search & Seizure procedures, Investigations, Range & Firearms, Evidence & Crime Scene, K-9 Unit, and Hands on Demonstrations. This is meant to strengthen the partnership between the police department and the citizens we serve. The last item is our police report on statistics for dates of March 11 – March 25, 2024; total number of calls for service 214, case reports 19, total subjects arrested 5, total arrest charges 5, total number of traffic stops 65, citations 11, written warnings 27, total number of P-tickets 15, and P-tickets issued to trucks 11.

Planning & Zoning Report: None

Old Business: None

New Business: Walsh: This Saturday, the baseball field next to the Custer Park Fire Department, will be doing some clean up at 11am. Then Saturday evening at 6pm there is a benefit for the Reed-Custer Grid Iron Club at the old Jones-eez where they have Bingo.

Wilczak: I would like to compliment this weekends, Easter Egg Hunts. There was one at the City Park that I thought was ran very well. Shadow Lakes hosted one as well. It seemed all the kids enjoyed themselves.

Adjournment: Commissioner Wilczak made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Money, to adjourn the March 26, 2024 regular meeting of the Braidwood City Council. Motion carried with 4 ayes: 0 nays. (Money, Walsh, Wilczak and Hart) The next regular meeting of the Council will be held Tuesday, April 9, 2024 at 7:00pm

Approved this 9 Day of April, 2024.

Kevin E. Hart

Mayor

Sarah M. Weaver

City Clerk

