

CITY OF BRAIDWOOD AGENDA
Regular Meeting, Tuesday April 11, 2017 @ 7:00pm

Call to Order
Pledge of Allegiance
Roll Call
Public Comment

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – March 28, 2017 Regular Meeting

REPORTS BY CITY OFFICIALS

Mayor-

Administrator-Resolution 17-10, Authorizing Execution of A Contingent Fee Professional Service Agreement with Azavar Audit Solutions

Clerk- Will-Grundy Building & Const. Trades Council requesting DAD's Day Annual Fundraiser Saturday, June 17th, 8am-12noon

Engineer- Approve Bid for WTP Piping Upgrade & Meter Installation from Bid Opening 3/23/17
-Approve 1st Pay Request for Len Cox, North Division Sanitary Sewer Extension

City Attorney-

- Resolution 17-11, Authorizing the Execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement Between City of Braidwood and the Braidwood Park District
- Ordinance 17-2, Approving the Sale of Real Estate in a TIF District to Warren Wietting
- Ordinance 17-3, Authorizing Transfer of Ownership of City property (245 W. 1st St.) to Braidwood Park District

REPORTS BY CITY COMMISSIONERS

Accounts and Finances -Payment of Bills
-Payroll Expenses

Streets & Public Improvements-

Public Property-

Public Health & Safety-

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

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Tuesday, April 11, 2017

Call to Order

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Vehrs asked Comm. Hutton to lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Elected Officials present: Commissioner Hibler, Commissioner Hutton, Commissioner Tessler and Mayor Vehrs were present. Commissioner Smith was absent.

Appointed officials present: City Attorney Kopman, City Clerk Sue Grygiel, Chief Nick Ficarello, City Administrator Don Labriola and Engineer Brian Hertz were present.

Public Comment

Chris Earling, he said he and his son purchased a home at 180 N. Mitchell Street and was told to come and talk to the council. He said in the last month he's been fighting with the city and the first thing he did was come in and ask for an application for a building permit. He said everyone probably knows the condition of the house so he didn't understand why his first mistake was coming to the city and asking for a permit. Donna told him about the city building inspector who is here if he needed him and that he's willing to walk through the house and tell me what needs to be brought up to code. He said he told her politely that he didn't need his help, but if it comes to it I will call on him. He brought in the application on a Wednesday and Donna told him she would give it to Mike on Thursday. She told him he should have the permit by Friday, worst case scenario it would be on Monday. On Monday his son said there's a list of things the building inspector wants us to do and he came into city hall and picked up that list. He said the list seemed to be for more of a new construction home, he then called Mike the inspector and said the house was built in 1966 far from a new construction. Mike told him he would be at the house tomorrow at 11:00 never asked if I was working or not. Mike said he would be there at 11:00 tomorrow and would give him his permit then. When asked why he needed in the home, Mike didn't have answer for that, just explained what had to be up to code. Chris said it's his home and he has a right to work on it and could have moved into the house in the condition it was or a renter as well.

Angie Hutton, she questioned about the wordage to get that straightened out about putting the city's stickers on the water bills so people quit asking her about it. The Mayor replied that we're not doing anything now with the city stickers. Angie asked can we put something in the paper, can you say you're not going to have city stickers? The Mayor said we are not until after the last day of selling-April 28th and looking into the expenses for everything. The Mayor said at the end of the month we will let the residents know if we are going to continue to sell city stickers or not. Angie said the comment he made was that he was going to add them onto the water bills. The Mayor said the comment he made was that other towns do an assessment, didn't say Braidwood would do it. Angie said that's how other people took it. The Mayor said that's what Lockport did. Angie then said she can see why the senior citizens are upset because now they're paying a \$1 and the city is going to tack something on there. Angie said her understanding is that over the years when this has come up there is no place to put it on the water bills because of the way the system is. Angie then

said so at the end of April you're going to let the people know, she said she's tired of hearing the backlash. She also said when saying she doesn't know to people, people then ask why don't you know.

Closed at 7:10pm.

Approval of Minutes

Comm. Hutton made a motion, seconded by Comm. Hibler to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of April 11, 2017. Motion approved 4 ayes, 0 nays, (Hutton, Hibler, Tessler & Mayor Vehrs), 1 absent (Smith).

REPORTS BY CITY OFFICIALS

Mayor

The Mayor welcomed everyone to the council meeting. Now with the warmer weather kids are out and possibly playing close to the road so everyone please keep an extra eye in the intersections while kids are out on their bikes. Some kids like to dash out in front of cars at stop signs, so please be careful.

Administrator

Don advised one issue before the council. Two weeks ago we had a presentation from Azavar Solutions. They would be performing an audit for the city to recover taxes that we may not be collecting because of mistaken addresses or other franchise fees we aren't receiving and should be. The city would pay them a percentage if they found anything and if they don't find anything it doesn't cost the city. The Agreement with Azavar would be for three years. It has been placed on the Agenda for tonight at the council's pleasure.

Comm. Tessler made a motion to adopt Resolution 17-10, Authorizing Execution of a Contingent Fee Professional Service Agreement with Azavar Audit Solutions, seconded by Comm. Hutton. Atty. Kopman said just for clarification this is a Contingent Fee Agreement so there's no out of pocket for the city until findings of unpaid fees or entitlements to the city. Motion approved 4 ayes, 0 nays (Tessler, Hutton, Hibler & Mayor Vehrs), 1 absent (Smith).

City Clerk

The clerk had on the Agenda a request for an Annual DAD's Day Fundraiser with the Will-Grundy Building & Construction Trades for June 17th. The city clerk then asked for a motion to approve this Tag Day Request.

Comm. Tessler made a motion to approve the Annual DAD's Day Fundraiser on June 17th, seconded by Comm. Hutton. Motion approved 4 ayes, 0 nays (Tessler, Hutton, Hibler and Mayor Vehrs), 1 absent (Smith).

The clerk reminded everyone about the All Town Clean Up Day with Waste Management on April 17th. The clerk also brought up that she handed out to everyone an updated copy of the 2017 FOIA Requests to date and will continue on a quarterly basis.

Engineer

Brian Hertz had two items on the Agenda. The first one is for an approval of a bid for the Water Treatment Plant piping, meter equipment that was let on March 23rd. Three bids were received and were attached to their letter that everyone has copy of. MG2A reviewed the bids and make the recommendation to accept the low bid from Rachke Piping & Mechanical in the amount of \$90,146.

Comm. Hutton made a motion to approve the bid from Rachke Piping for the Water Treatment Plant piping upgrade and meter installation in the amount of \$90, 146, seconded by Comm. Hibler. Motion approved 4 ayes, 0 nays (Hutton, Hibler, Tessler & Mayor Vehrs), 1 absent (Smith).

Second is on the North Division Sanitary Sewer Extension project 1st Pay Request from Len Cox in the amount of \$53,596.000 submitted their invoice. There's a 5% retainage of the contract amount for restoration work to be done.

Comm. Hutton made a motion to pay the 1st Pay Request to Len Cox in the amount of \$53,596, seconded by Comm. Tessler. Motion approved 4 ayes, 9 nays (Hutton, Tessler, Hibler & Mayor Vehrs), 1 absent (Smith).

City Attorney

Atty. Kopman addressed Resolution 17-11, Authorizing the Execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Braidwood and the Braidwood Park District. The Park District has requested that the city provide policing services to the Park District relative to their ordinances as well as city ordinances and the law generally and worked closely with Comm. Tessler and Chief Ficarello.

Comm. Tessler made a motion to approve Resolution 17-11 subject to Attorney review and possible modifications, seconded by Comm. Hibler. Motion approved 4 ayes, 0 nays (Hutton, Hibler, Tessler & Mayor Vehrs), 1 absent (Smith).

Next was Ordinance 17-2, Approving the Sale of Real Estate in a TIF District to Warren Wietting. This was the request for proposal that he mentioned at the last meeting in Favero's Subdivision, Lot #3. Received a proposal from Mr. Wietting and now we've been able to move forward with the councils direction to work on and get to a Real Estate Sales Contract for that in the amount of \$50,000 for Lot #3. The closing date is still being worked out with Wietting's attorney.

Comm. Hutton made a motion to approve Ordinance 17-2, Authorizing the Sale of Lot #3 to Warren Wietting in the amount of \$50,000, seconded by Comm. Hibler. Motion approved 4 ayes, 0 nays (Hutton, Hibler, Tessler & Mayor Vehrs), 1 absent (Smith).

The last item is Ordinance 17-3, Authorizing Transfer of Ownership of City property at 245 W. 1st Street to the Braidwood Park District. Atty. Kopman understands this was something that was to be done many years ago and for whatever reason fell through the cracks. At this point in time the Park District Board hasn't had an opportunity to review this and their attorney is going to be dealing with this very shortly. Until we know how they want to handle this or what they still need from the city it was the attorney's recommendation that a motion be made to Table any action on Ordinance 17-3 for the time being.

Comm. Tessler made a motion to Table Ordinance 17-3, seconded by Comm. Hutton. Motion approved 4 ayes, 0 nays (Tessler, Hutton, Hibler & Mayor Vehrs), 1 absent (Smith).

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 \$198,488.35 seconded by Comm. Hutton. Motion approved with 4 ayes, 0 nays (Hibler, Hutton, Tessler & Mayor Vehrs), 1 absent (Smith).

Comm. Hibler made a motion to pay the Payroll Expenses due in the amount of \$93,170.41 seconded by Comm. Hutton. Motion approved 4 ayes, 0 nays (Hibler, Hutton, Tessler & Mayor Vehrs), 1 absent (Smith).

Streets & Public Improvements

Comm. Smith absent.

Public Property

Comm. Hutton said Rte. 53 & Division St. is still scheduled for closing on April 14th, Division St. is open. Commissioner advised that Well #3 our deep well, we now have the new pump back and it's in the ground. He read the Outside Crews Report first, and then gave the Plant Crews report. Also the pond on Mitchell Street has been opened for the season and will be closed every evening for safety.

Public Health & Safety

Comm. Tessler started with the Braidwood Area Healthy Community Coalition. Once again doing the Got Drugs, turn in your unused or expired Medications for Safe Disposal. Turn in on Saturday, April 29th from 10am-2pm at the Braidwood Police Department. Commissioner then gave the numbers provided by the Chief from 3/28-4/10/17, total calls for service 269. On Monday the Administrator Labriola, Chief Ficarello and himself met with Teamsters 700, this was the first meeting for negotiations of the new contract. Next meeting is scheduled for April 28th and believes both sides will benefit.

Planning & Zoning Board Report

Nothing to Report.

Closed Session

No request made for Closed Session.

Old Business

Comm. Hutton said the Nice Ice Machine said the electric is ready to be tied into Com Ed when they get the wire there. The plumbing is done and looks like ready to go, hopefully opening soon.

New Business

Nothing to Report.

Adjournment

Comm. Tessler made motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 7:28pm, seconded by Comm. Hutton. Motion approved with 4 ayes, 0 nays (Tessler, Hutton, Hibler & Mayor Vehrs), 1 absent (Smith). Meeting adjourned.

Approved this 25th day of April 2017

Jan Tessler Mayor

Sue Grygail City Clerk

AYES: 5

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

