

CITY OF BRAIDWOOD AGENDA
Regular Meeting, Tuesday June 26, 2018 @ 7:00pm

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Public Comment (Comments are limited to no more than 3 minutes per Sect. 2-34(b) of the City's Code of Ord.)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES -June 1, 2018 Special Meeting
-June 12, 2018

REPORTS BY CITY OFFICIALS

Mayor-

Administrator-

Clerk- Byers Brigade requesting Alzheimer's Tag Day July 21st, 9am-1pm at Rte. 53 & Main St.

Engineer-

City Attorney-Ordinance 18-09, Establishing the Prevailing Wage for the City of Braidwood

REPORTS BY CITY COMMISSIONERS

Accounts and Finances-Approve Payment of Bills
-Approve Payroll Expenses

Streets & Public Improvements-

Public Property-

Public Health & Safety-

Planning & Zoning-Zoning Recommendations; Approve Vodicka Variance to reduce minimum lot frontage of an R1 lot from 80ft. to 33ft.

Executive Session-Discuss Personnel, Pending and/or Imminent Litigation, Collective Bargaining/Labor Relations, Land Acquisition or Review of Closed Session Minutes.
-Actions to be taken following Executive Session:

Old Business

New Business

Adjournment

CITY OF BRAIDWOOD
City Council Regular Meeting Minutes
Tuesday June 26, 2018

Call to Order

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Vehrs 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 Kopman, City Clerk Sue Grygiel, Chief Nick Ficarello, City Administrator Don Labriola and City Engineer Todd Gereaux were present. Chief Ficarello left the meeting at 7:03pm.

Public Comment

Opened at 7:04pm.

Thomas Boucher, resident at 392 W. 2nd St. He had questions for the Chief who is not here. He said he walks his dogs every day and for the past year there has been a car blocking the sidewalk at 303 N. Division and has not moved in 12 mths. He said he's been to city hall 6-7 times and finally someone put a Tow Sticker on it April 20th and again the car is still there. He said 4 wks. ago he stopped and talked with the Chief of Police and told him it would be taken care of. Chief Ficarello came back into the meeting at approximately 7:06pm. Thomas said it's now June 26th, this same car is unlicensed, it's clearly obstructing the sidewalk, been there more than a year. He asked do I need to wait any longer? Could we get something done? Is it a reasonable request? The Mayor then asked him the address of where this car is blocking sidewalk and said we will have someone out there tomorrow to take a look at this and it will be taken care of.

Pam DeLaQuilla, 811 N. Center St. and is here tonight as the Secretary of the Braidwood Area Healthy Community Coalition. She had an announcement that she wanted to share with the city council. The Coalition is pleased to announce that they've been awarded a Grant from the AmerisourceBergen Foundation to continue the proactive work in combatting the drug use in our community. This Foundation is committed to providing communities across the country with the resources they need to combat the epidemic of opioid abuse and misuse. The BAHCC has received 2000 Dispose Rx drug deactivation bags from the AmerisourceBergen Foundation to distribute to our community members. Dispose Rx is a simple home waste disposal solution that uses non-toxic polymers to permanently, physically and chemically sequester dangerous prescription drugs. Dispose Rx works for powders, pills, tablets, capsules, liquids and patches, making them inert and unavailable for illicit use or pollution.

Debbie Militello, Will County Board Member District 6. She advised the council that she has Congressman Adam Kinzinger coming here to do an event on August 2nd in the afternoon, more details to follow. Debbie said she will be working on this event with the Mayor, the Braidwood Area Healthy Community Coalition to see what the Federal Government can do for us with our opioid problem. Debbie said she will advise the council with information as soon as she gets it.
Public Comment Closed at 7:08pm.

Approval of Minutes

Comm. Smith made a motion to approve the Special Meeting Minutes of June 1, 2018, seconded by Comm. Hibler. Motion approved 4 ayes, 0 nays (Smith, Hibler, Tessler & Mayor Vehrs) 1 abstention (Hutton).

Comm. Hutton made a motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of June 12, 2018 as written, seconded by Comm. Smith. Motion approved 5 ayes, 0 nays (Hutton, Smith, Hibler, Tessler & Mayor Vehrs).

REPORTS BY CITY OFFICIALS

Mayor

The Mayor reminded everyone that it's summer time and children are out of school, so please keep an eye out for kids on sidewalks, give them time to move over, cross the road. With the July 4th holiday coming up and the city does have an ordinance about fireworks and we've been lenient to some extent on the holiday, but the law is the law and asked everyone to use their own discretion.

Administrator

Don said they've been talking to IDOT about cleaning up the interchanges at Route 113 and Reed Rd. He also advised that since the Mayor addressed the past due water bills we have reduced our past due water bills by 70%. We went from over \$150,000 in past dues to less than \$44,000 owed now and are continuing to bring that amount down.

City Clerk

The city clerk addressed her Agenda item, a request from the Byers Brigade for their Annual Alzheimer's Tag Day. Last year they collected close to a \$1000 to help with Alzheimers. They're requesting July 21st from 9am-1pm. Then asked for a motion to approve the Tag Day. Comm. Smith made a motion to approve the Byers Brigade Alzheimer's Tag Day on July 21st, seconded by Comm. Hutton. Motion approved 5 ayes, 0 nays (Smith, Hutton, Hibler, Tessler & Mayor Vehrs).

Engineer

Nothing to Report.

City Attorney

Atty. Kopman addressed his Agenda item, Ordinance 18-09, Establishing the Prevailing Wage for the City of Braidwood. By State Statute the city is required annually to adopt the Prevailing Wage for the area for various trades and services. This is a standard ordinance done annually and includes the information from the Illinois Department of Labor.

Comm. Tessler made a motion to approve Ordinance 18-09 Establishing the Prevailing Wage for the City of Braidwood, seconded by Comm. Hutton. Motion approved 5 ayes, 0 nays (Tessler, Hutton, Hibler, Smith & Mayor Vehrs).

Atty. Kopman then brought up the Draft Ordinance regarding Small Wireless Facilities and said he's looking for feedback from the council and this has to be adopted by the end of July.

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 \$286,861.94 seconded by Comm. Smith. Motion approved with 5 ayes, 0 nays (Hibler, Smith, Hutton, Tessler & Mayor Vehrs).

Comm. Hibler made a motion to approve the Payroll Expenses in the amount of \$101,984.16, seconded by Comm. Smith. Motion approved 5 ayes, 0 nays (Hibler, Smith, Hutton, Tessler & Mayor Vehrs).

Streets & Public Improvements

Nothing to Report.

Public Property

Comm. Hutton gave the Outside Crews Report then gave the Inside Crews Report.

Public Health & Safety

Comm. Tessler gave the numbers report provided by the Chief from 6/12-6/26 with total calls for service 230. Comm. Tessler then read a Press Release from June 24th on a Heroine arrest where they confiscated 12 bags of Heroine.

Planning & Zoning

Zoning Chair Michelle Serena approached the city council with their recommendations from their June 12th Public Hearing & Meeting. This was a Variance request for Vodicka's property located at 556 N. Center St. The Variance is to reduce the minimum lot frontage of an R-1 lot from 80ft. to 33ft. The Zoning Boards recommendation was to approve the Variance to reduce the minimum lot frontage from 80ft. to 33ft. on property located at 556 N. Center St.

Comm. Tessler made a motion to approve the Variance for minimum lot frontage of an R-1 from 80ft. to 33ft., seconded by Comm. Hutton. Motion approved 5 ayes, 0 nays (Tessler, Hutton, Hibler, Smith & Mayor Vehrs).

Closed Session

No request for Closed Session.

Old Business

Nothing to Report

New Business

Nothing to Report.

Adjournment

Comm. Tessler made motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 7:21pm, seconded by Comm. Smith. Motion approved with 5 ayes, 0 nays (Tessler, Smith, Hibler, Hutton & Mayor Vehrs).

Approved this 10th day of July 2018

James A. Vehrs Mayor
Sue Gruppil City Clerk

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

