

CITY OF BRAIDWOOD
Agenda
City Council Regular Meeting
Tuesday, August 27, 2013, 7:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers

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

August 13, 2013 - Regular Meeting

Reports by City Officials

Mayor

Braidwood Police Department Tag Day on Sept 28 & 29 from 9a-12p for the Warrior Dash in June 2014
Lions Club Candy Day Fundraiser on Friday, October 11 from 3-6pm & Saturday, Oct 12th 8:30 am – 11:30 am
Resolution to support the Illiana Expressway

Administrator

Clerk

Engineer

City Planner

City Attorney

Motion to adopt Roberts Rules of Order for Braidwood City Council Meetings

Reports by City Commissioners

Accounts and Finances

Payment of Bills

Payroll

Motion to rescind Ordinance 13-16 denying the granting of certain zoning variances (Bunting 20 ft. setback)

Streets and Public Improvements

Public Property

Public Health & Safety

Motion to Approve the reappointment of Noreen Brandle to the Police & Fire Board

Motion to Approve the resignation of Bill Wennberg from the Police & Fire Board

Planning & Zoning Board Report

Motion to Approve Ordinance Granting a Certain Zoning Variance (Bunting 20 foot setback)

Braidwood Area Healthy Community Coalition

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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Minutes
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Call to Order

Mayor Bill Rulien called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by everyone present.

Roll Call

Elected Officials present: Mayor 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, City Engineer Howard Hamilton, City Administrator Rich Girot and City Clerk Lisa Glisson.

Public Comment

Henry Jenkins - 110 Cedar Lane. Thanked the public works department for assisting them with the water main break, commented on how well the guys work with them.

Donn Kinzler – 777 W. Kennedy Road. Questioned the council if the proper standards were used in determining the stop signs installed on Kennedy Road. Council advised traffic study was completed and they could discuss it after the council meeting if he would like.

Angie Hutton – 285 Mitchell Street. Angie advised she was here on behalf of the Chamber, wanted to start working on the tree lighting and needed to have the lights on the trees by 11/23/13 as that is the date they will start decorating the trees in front of city hall.

Mary Tatroe – 173 Maple Street. Mary advised if they were going to table the Bunting variance and refer it back for another public hearing she would hold off on commenting until then.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes for the August 13, 2013 regular meeting were approved as read.

Reports by City Officials

Mayor reported two more properties were demolished this past week, one of which took a year and a half to get through the court system, thanked Kenny for the use of the Fire Department during the NARS Drill, congratulated Aubrey Glisson for 25 years of service to the City of Braidwood, attended the RT 66 grant meeting to promote tourism and announced that Casey's is almost complete and there is a firm commitment from ComEd to remove the poles by September 7, 2013.

Mayor requested a motion to approve the Braidwood Police Departments request for a tag day on September 28 and 29 for the Warrior Dash in June 2014. Comm. Tessler made the motion. Comm. Hutton seconded. The motion was approved with 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Tessler, Graf, Rulien) 0 nays.

Mayor requested a motion to approve the Lions Club Candy Day Fundraiser on October 11, 2013 from 3:00 -- 6:00 and October 12, 2013 from 8:30 -- 11:30. Comm. Hutton made the motion. Comm. Hibler seconded. The motion was approved with 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Tessler, Graf, Rulien) 0 nays.

Mayor requested a motion to approve Resolution 13-9 a Resolution of the City council of the City of Braidwood in support of the construction of the Illiana Expressway. Comm. Graf made the motion. Comm. Hutton seconded. The motion was approved with 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Tessler, Graf, Rulien) 0 nays.

City Administrator

Rich Girot advised he and Doug Carroll are still working on another annexation and advised the buildings on Main Street sold and the new owner would be in to discuss what he is planning to do with them.

City Clerk

Reminded the council of the Safe Routes to School informational meeting on Thursday, September 29, 2013 at 7:00 pm at City Hall.

City Engineer

Nothing to report.

City Attorney

In reviewing Roberts Rules of order to determine if or how a denied ordinance could be revisited by the council (Bunting variance), the Attorney found that it was no longer in the code book showing that the City had adopted the rules to govern the council meetings. During the review for the variance, the attorney found that the whole matter would have to go back to the zoning board and another public hearing would have to be held. Also, since the objection by Mary Tatroe was a written objection you would need a $\frac{3}{4}$ vote (Sec. 23-37) to pass any variance. There is also a provision that talks about an extraordinary or emergency situation could be passed by the Mayor and the Zoning Chairman. But that would be in an extraordinary situation. The Mayor advised that he would not use that ruling to grant a variance unless it was in certain situations in cases of small issues, not for the simple fact that it is over riding a board's ruling or using it to get around a ruling. The Attorney also advised that would not be a good idea to use it to get around the required boards, the courts would not look kindly on doing that.

Mayor requested a motion to approve Ordinance 13-24 an Ordinance Amending the Administration Chapter of the Code of Ordinances (adopt Roberts Rules of Order). Comm. Hibler made the motion. Comm. Tessler seconded. The motion was approved with 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Tessler, Graf, Rulien) 0 nays.

Reports by City Commissioners

Comm. Hibler moved to pay \$137,705.05 in bills. Comm. Tessler seconded. The motion was approved with 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Tessler, Graf, Rulien) 0 nays.

Comm. Hibler moved to pay \$70,244.09 in payroll. Comm. Hutton seconded. The motion was approved 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Tessler, Graf, Rulien) 0 nays.

Commissioner of Streets and Public Improvements (Comm. Graf) thanked Kenny for hosting the NARS drill and advised the guys are mowing to keep everything up.

Commissioner of Public Properties (Comm. Hutton) (a) read biweekly reports and also thanked Kenny for the drill but advised he would like to see more drills with different scenarios.

The Fire Chief thanked the public works department for fixing the hydrant on Comet so quickly after it was discussed at the last meeting.

The Mayor also advised that the Fire Chief is doing inspections of new businesses to make sure they are up to code.

Commissioner of Public Health & Safety (Comm. Tessler) advised he only had two things regarding appointments to the police and fire board.

Comm. Tessler moved to reappoint Noreen Brandle to the Police & Fire Board. Comm. Hutton seconded. The motion was approved with 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Tessler, Graf, Rulien) 0 nays.

Comm. Tessler moved to approve the resignation of Bill Wennberg from the Police & Fire Board. Comm. Hutton seconded. The motion was approved with 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Tessler, Graf, Rulien) 0 nays.

Braidwood Area Healthy Community Coalition

Sandy Fletcher, President of the coalition gave a monthly report regarding the activities of the coalition, the strategic plan has been finalized and submitted to the Department of Human Services. The final plan took 9 months' worth of planning. The coalition has already accomplished some of the tasks; establishing by-laws, recruiting new members, creating action teams and establishing a mission and vision. The new mission is working with our neighbors to ensure a promising tomorrow by providing opportunities that promote healthy life choices today. The new web site is under way. It is www.braidwoodcoalition.org, resource directory for 2013 are now available by request, contact: padellaquila@chestnut.org or our web site. The next meeting is scheduled for September 9, 2013 at 4:30 pm at the Braidwood Fire Station, everyone is invited.

Mayor Rulien requested a motion to table the Zoning of the Bunting variance. Comm. Tessler made the motion. Comm. Hutton seconded. The motion was approved with 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Tessler, Graf, Rulien) 0 nays.

Old Business

Comm. Hutton advised that it was again reported in the paper that the pond cost \$600,000.00 and he wanted to set the record straight the actual bid 290,000.00 that Issert did. Comm. Hutton reported the other amounts that were also included in drainage were 96,000 for storm water work on Mitchell Street, 37,000 for pipe on Wildwood, 67,000 for Third Street & Kern St, 10,000 for parking stalls, 20,000 for parkway restoration and seeding, 225,000 was the pond, 30,000 for asphalt walk path. It was a big project that got dragged out. It was one of the last projects the City did before TIF went away. Mayor Rulien advised he stands behind the other number that was given out because I gave it out and I'll tell you why because we spent a hundred and some thousand to purchase that property alone and we spent almost that for engineering, \$600,000. was a conservative figure for that property and I can justify every penny of it. Comm. Hutton advised he disagreed, but that's alright. Mayor advised, so we differ on our opinion that's ok.

Rich Girot asked about the generator and the Mayor advised we all know the generator is done and we need a new one. It has been looked into and we are working on it. The problem is it is expensive and we did not budget for it.

Executive Session

Mayor Rulien asked for a motion to enter into executive session at 7:32 pm. Comm. Hutton made that motion, seconded by Comm. Tessler. The motion was approved with 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Tessler, Graf, Rulien) 0 nays..

Returned/Roll Call at 8:17 pm.

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, Tessler, Graf, Rulien) 0 nays..

Approved this 10 day of September 2013

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Lisa Agleson City Clerk