

CITY OF BRAIDWOOD
Agenda
City Council Regular Meeting
Tuesday, October 14, 2014, 7:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers

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

September 23, 2014 - Regular Meeting

Reports by City Officials

Mayor

Administrator

Clerk

Engineer

Bid results for E-Z Street Sewer and Water Extension

City Planner

City Attorney

Motion to Approve a Resolution Authorizing the City Attorney to file an objection to a Property Tax Reduction

Reports by City Commissioners

Accounts and Finances

Payment of Bills
Payroll

Streets and Public Improvements

Motion to Approve Salt Purchase

Public Property

Motion to Approve Bid Award for E-Z Street Sewer and Water Extension

Public Health & Safety

Motion to Approve the Hiring of Part-Time Officer Bruce Kruizenga

Planning & Zoning Board Report

Motion to Approve/Deny Fence Variance Ordinance at 184 Roundhouse

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

Old Business
New Business
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, and Commissioner of Accounts and Finances Elena Hibler. Commissioner of Public Health and Safety Eric Tessler was absent.

Appointed officials present: City Attorney Scott Pyles, City Engineer Howard Hamilton and Deputy Clerk Mary Beth Pressley. City Administrator Rich Girot and City Clerk Lisa Glisson were absent.

Public Comment

No comments.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes for the September 23, 2014 regular meeting were approved as read.

Reports by City Officials

Mayor

Due to Commissioner Tessler's absence, Mayor Rulien requested a motion to hire part time office Bruce Kruizenga. Commissioner Graf made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Hibler. The motion was approved with 4 ayes (hibler, Hutton, Graf, Rulien) 0 nays and 1 absent (Tessler).

Oath administered by Deputy Clerk Pressley to Officer Kruizenga.

City Administrator

City Clerk

City Engineer

Engineer Howard Hamilton received four (4) bids for the EZ Street water and sewer extension. One bid was under his estimate. That was from S.A.Issert Construction of Wilmington who successfully finished the Spring Street sewer and water extension project and the Rt. 113 lift station that will be tributary to this one. When we get to Commissioner Hutton's report, he suggested a motion to approve this bidder.

City Attorney

Attorney Pyles address the council by stating that they have before them a motion to authorize him to file an objection to any request for a property tax reduction in excess of \$100K. Recently there was a request made to do that. He stated that he had to have the authority from the City to file that objection and that is the purpose of this resolution.

Mayor Rulien requested a motion to approve Resolution 14-19. Commissioner Graf made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Hibler. The Resolution was approved with 4 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Rulien) 0 nays and 1 absent (Tessler).

Mayor Rulien explained that a property owner went to the Will County Board of Review to request their taxes reduced. We have no reason to think that they are not worth what our assessor has assessed them at. So we are trying to fight that so no one else's taxes are increased.

Reports by City Commissioners

Comm. Hibler moved to pay \$218,613.19 in bills. Comm. Hutton seconded. The motion was approved with 4 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Rulien) 0 nays, and 1 absent (Tessler).

Comm. Hibler moved to pay \$2,860.80 out of Federal Forfeiture Funds, seconded by Comm. Graf to update squad car computer systems to be in compliance with Wescom. The motion was approved with 4 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Rulien) 0 nays, 1 absent (Tessler).

Comm. Hibler moved to pay payroll for the periods of September 25, 2014 and October 9, 2014 in the amounts of \$ 73,413.04 and \$74, 288.11 inclusive. Comm. Hutton seconded. The motion was approved with 4 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Rulien) 0 nays, and 1 absent (Tessler).

Commissioner of Streets and Public Improvements

Mayor Rulien requested a motion to purchase salt. The lowest bid at this time is \$127.12 per ton delivered. So he requested a motion to authorize him to negotiate and purchase salt for a cost no greater than \$127.12 per ton delivered. He stated that he would try to negotiate for a lower price than the one quoted but needed to secure salt by the next day. Comm. Hibler made the motion, seconded by Comm. Graf. The motion was approved with 4 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Rulien) 0 nays, and 1 absent (Tessler).

Comm. Graf commented that we did have a lower price, but they were unable to guarantee delivery until the New Year so we had to have salt now for the safety of the citizens.

Comm. Hutton moved to approve to accept the bid from S.A. Issert \$406,080.60 to construct EZ Street Sewer and Water, Seconded by Comm. Graf. Motion approved with 4 ayes Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Rulien) 0 nays and 1 absent (Tessler).

Comments were very positive for SA Issert.

Commissioner of Public Properties (Comm. Hutton) (a) read reports and commented that the South Division Street Water Main Project was finished and ready for the road project. It was done under estimate.

Also Reed Custer Biology Advanced Biology Class had a tour of the WWTP, and the water plant and thoroughly enjoyed the lab.

Commissioner of Public Health and Safety (Comm. Tessler)

Planning and Zoning

Mayor updated on 184 Roundhouse stating that the residents would like to put their fence just around the back yard. *Mayor Rulien requested a motion to approve the fence according to the drawing submitted in order to keep the front of the house clear for traffic safety concerns. Comm. Hutton made the motion, seconded by Comm. Hibler.*

Motioned approved with 4 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Rulien) 0 nays, and 1 absent (Tessler).

Old Business

Executive Session

Adjournment

Mayor Rulien asked for a motion to adjourn. Comm. Hutton made that motion, seconded by Comm. Hibler. The motion was approved with 4 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Rulien) 0 nays and 1 absent (Tessler).

Approved this 28 day of October 2014

Walter Rulien Mayor

Lexi Ahlsson City Clerk

