

CITY OF BRAIDWOOD
Agenda
City Council Regular Meeting
Tuesday, October 28, 2014, 7:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers

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

October 14, 2014 - Regular Meeting

Reports by City Officials

Mayor

Motion to enter into an Agreement with an Economic Development Advisor

Administrator

Motion to Approve a Resolution for Participation in State of Illinois Federal Surplus Property Program

Clerk

Engineer

City Planner

City Attorney

Reports by City Commissioners

Accounts and Finances

Payment of Bills
Payroll

Streets and Public Improvements

Public Property

Public Health & Safety

Planning & Zoning Board Report

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.

Appointed officials present: City Attorney Scott Pyles, City Engineer Joe Regis, City Administrator Rich Girot and City Clerk Lisa Glisson.

Public Comment

No comments.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes for the October 14, 2014 regular meeting were approved as read.

Reports by City Officials

Mayor

The Mayor invited Lisa McCay of Buxton to make a presentation to the council to help us with retail recruitment and retention. After Ms. McCay's presentation the Mayor advised the council of her speaking at the IML conference and that several of our surrounding neighbors are already using them for this purpose. Mayor advised with the momentum we have going in tearing down condemned properties and moving forward with building, this would help us with some of the projects we have been working on.

Mayor Rulien requested a motion to approve a Resolution 14-20 authorizing the execution of an agreement with an economic development advisor. Commissioner Tessler made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Graf.

Discussion: *Comm. Tessler asked what the cost is? Mayor advised it is \$50,000.00 per year, that comes out of TIF funds. I think it is a good investment and so does our surrounding towns: Coal City, Peotone, Lemont, Crest Hill are just a few that are using them. It would also help with some of the projects we are already doing. The motion was approved with 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler, and Rulien) 0 nays.*

Mayor advised that after approval of the salt purchase last week and the high cost, with the help of several people, but George Weaver was a big help to me in that. We have went with another company that has already started to deliver.

City Administrator

Rich Girot advised while at the insurance meeting for the month, they were discussing bringing in an appraiser to have all the different members properties appraised. They will have more information within the next few months.

Girot also advised after speaking with Restoration America on the Townes for Braidwood, they have 13 people on the waiting list.

City Clerk

Clerk advised council on the status of the early voting, praised the hard work of all the girls in the office and reported on the wonderful job by Mary Beth Pressley in all the excellent work in planning and execution of the Scarecrow Fest.

City Engineer

Engineer Joe Regis updated the council on the improvements that IDOT has coming in the next 5 years, none of which are major local projects.

City Attorney

Attorney Pyles advised the council that we were able to object the tax reduction and have a hearing set for December.

Reports by City Commissioners

Comm. Hibler moved to pay \$206,345.03 in bills. Comm. Graf seconded. The motion was approved with 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler and Rulien) 0 nays).

Comm. Hibler moved to pay payroll of \$74,332.94. Comm. Graf seconded. The motion was approved with 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler and Rulien) 0 nays).

Commissioner of Streets and Public Improvements

Comm. Graf thanked everyone for working so hard to find a lower price on the salt and requested the engineer to update the council on this year's street projects.

Joe Regis updated the council on all of the patching and paving going on and the status of each project.

Commissioner of Public Properties (Comm. Hutton) (a) read reports and advised the council on how well the tour by the high school biology class went. The teachers wrote a thank you letter and requested we continue to do this on a yearly basis., advised the plows will be put on the new trucks within the next 2 weeks and we sold one of the old trucks for \$3,700.00.

Comm. Tessler moved to authorize a Resolution for Participation on the State of Illinois Federal Surplus Program. Comm. Graf seconded. The motion was approved with 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler and Rulien) 0 nays).

Commissioner of Public Health and Safety (Comm. Tessler) reported there has been one arrest for the recently burglaries in town.

Executive Session

Mayor Rulien asked if anyone had anything for executive session. Comm. Graf advised he did for personnel.

Mayor Rulien asked for a motion to enter into executive session for personnel and labor relations. Comm. Graf made that motion, seconded by Comm. Tessler. The motion was approved with 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler and Rulien) 0 nays.

Adjournment

Mayor Rulien asked for a motion to adjourn. Comm. Tessler made that motion, seconded by Comm. Hutton. The motion was approved with 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler and Rulien) 0 nays.

Approved this 13th day of November 2014

Elena M. Hibler Mayor, *Pro Tem*

Don Adlissir City Clerk

