CITY OF BRAIDWOOD AGENDA
Regular Meeting, Tuesday November 10, 2015 @ 7:00pm

Call to Order
Pledge of Allegiance
Roll Call
Public Comment

APPROVAL OF MINUTES October 27, 2015 Regular Meeting

REPORTS BY CITY OFFICIALS

Mayor- Accept Resignation of Noreen Brandle, Fire & Police Board
-Resolution15-26, Authorizing Surplus of (4) 45' Poles and Allow For Sale of the Same
- Res. 15-27, Authorizing Surplus of 2001 GMC Pickup and Allow For Sale of the Same
- Res. 15-28 Authorizing Execution of a Contract for Sludge Removal
-Appointment to fill Vacancy on Fire & Police Board

Administrator- Burbach Aquatics Presentation

Clerk-

Engineer-

City Attorney-

REPORTS BY CITY COMMISSIONERS

Accounts and Finances -Payment of Bills
-Payroll

Streets and Public Improvements -

Public Buildings & 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:
-Acceptance of Proposal from LSK Architects

Old Business

New Business

Adjournment

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Call to Order
Attorney Kopman called the meeting to order. Mayor Jim Vehrs was absent at this meeting due to a family emergency. Attorney Kopman made a request to call Roll Call.

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

Appointed officials present: City Attorney Bryan Kopman, City Administrator Andy Galatte, Chief Nick Ficarello, and City Clerk Sue Grygiel were present. City Engineer Brian Hertz was absent.

The Attorney entertained a motion to appoint a Mayor Pro Tem to conduct the rest of this meeting. A motion was made by Comm. Tessler to appoint Comm. Hutton as the Mayor Pro Tem for this meeting, seconded by Comm. Smith. Motion approved with 3 ayes, 0 nays (Smith, Tessler & Mayor Pro Tem Hutton) 2 Absent (Hibler & Mayor Vehrs).

Pledge of Allegiance
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all who were present.

Public Comment
Angie Hutton, Chamber. Tree Decorating will be starting on Nov. 21st and the lights will be put on the trees ahead of time. Tree Lighting is at 5pm on December 5th, followed by the Lighted Parade which will end at the Intermediate School. The Chamber will be notifying all the businesses to see if they would like to participate. The theme is "An Old Fashion Christmas" using anything from any decade. Angie also advised the Administrator that the fee we are currently paying to Route 66 is going to the Route 66 Magazine. Bill Kelly is from this organization and he will be here and she will let Andy know when that will be.

Paul Anderson, Paul went a couple of months ago to the IDOT meeting in Wilmington concerning the railroad and the two bridges they are building. He asked the IDOT representative there how many trains they can figure per day that will come through Braidwood. His answer was 23-27 unit trains of 100-110 cars. He was in Coal City last night and a train had stopped and blocked two crossings, had to travel North then come back South by Chicago Aerosol. The residents of Lighthouse Cove hear about 5 trains now but when you take 23-27 there's going to be a lot of noise. He met with Andy and Mayor Vehrs in a discussion on trying to get an Ordinance passed which would get decibel readings needed to force the railroad to come up with some Noise Abatement. Andy said he made contact with the railroad the next day and gave him a contact downtown. What they're telling Andy is that once everything is done, will be able to apply with the Fair Railroad Association a Quiet Zone because everything will be documented, meaning less horns blowing. This gentleman is going to send Andy the paperwork as soon as he notifies the railroad that we are requesting a Quiet Zone. Andy advised that he will keep them up to date.

Public Comment closed 7:05pm.

Approval of Minutes
The minutes for the October 27, 2015 Regular Meeting were approved as read. Motion made by Comm. Smith, seconded by Comm. Tessler. Mayor Pro Tem asked for discussion. Motion approved with 3 ayes, 0 nays, (Smith, Tessler & Mayor Pro Tem Hutton).

REPORTS BY CITY COMMISSIONERS

Mayor

Mayor Pro Tem Hutton addressed Mayor Vehrs' agenda items in his absence.
First item was the acceptance of Noreen Brandle's resignation from the Fire & Police Board.
A motion was made by Comm. Smith, seconded by Comm. Smith to accept Noreen Brandle's resignation. Mayor Pro Tem asked for discussion. Motion approved 3 ayes, 0 nays (Tessler, Smith and Mayor Pro Tem Hutton). 2 Absent (Hibler & Mayor Vehrs).

Second item was Resolution 15-26, Authorizing Surplus of (4) 45' Poles and Allow For Sale of the Same. Comm. Hutton said these have been sitting around, they are from the old intersections and with the BBSA wanting to expand their field for the Schools for more games at night, he would like to see these surplused and donated to the Park District.
A motion was made by Comm. Smith, seconded by Comm. Tessler to adopt Resolution 15-26 to surplus the (4) light poles to the Park District. Mayor Pro Tem asked for discussion. Motion approved 3 ayes, 0 nays (Smith, Tessler and Mayor Pro Tem Hutton.). 2 Absent (Hibler & Mayor Vehrs).

Third item was Resolution 15-27, Authorizing Surplus of 2001 GMC Pickup and Allow For Sale of the Same. Chief Ficarello said the bid letting for this Pickup will be on Tuesday, November 17th at 10:00am and bids will be taken until 9:00am and starting bid is $3,300 and all this was advertised in the paper.
A motion was made by Comm. Tessler, seconded by Comm. Smith to adopt Resolution 15-27, the surplus of a 2001 GMC Pickup with snowplow on front and salt spreader on back, and For the Sale of the Same. Mayor Pro Tem asked for discussion. Motion approved 3 ayes, 0 nays (Tessler, Smith and Mayor Pro Tem Hutton). 2 Absent (Hibler & Mayor Vehrs).

Fourth item was Resolution 15-28, Authorizing Execution of a Contract for Sludge Removal. Mayor Pro Tem asked for discussion. A motion was made by Comm. Tessler, seconded by Comm. Smith to adopt Resolution 15-28 as presented. Motion approved 3 ayes, 0 nays (Tessler, Smith and Mayor Pro Tem Hutton). 2 Absent (Hibler & Mayor Vehrs).

Atty. Kopman recommended the tabling of Mayor Vehrs' last agenda item as he is the only one that can make this appointment. Mayor Vehrs had a family emergency so we will hold this off for another meeting, possibly a Special Meeting next week.

Administrator

Andy advised the council that they went to the Middle School this morning and talked about a Turn About Date which is going to be January 26, 2016. This day involves the 7th and 8th graders who would sit up here at the council table and be a Mayor, Commissioner, Police Chief for the day. The students that want to participate will be doing a verbal or a written essay, a short paragraph explaining why they would like to be that person for the day.
The next thing Andy addressed is the council having a workshop, either before a council meeting for an hour or separate day that we can discuss procedures, things that we need to discuss as a whole and not at a council meeting. Andy suggested that these workshops be set up once a month.
The third thing is a Representative of Congressman Adam Kinzinger will be in council chambers on November 7th from 9-10am to talk about whatever you need to talk with him about.
Andy's last item is a gentleman that he met at the Illinois Municipal League, Roger, who is going to give a presentation. Roger works with Municipalities and Governmental Agencies, not the private sector. At this time Andy turned the meeting to the Presentation given by Roger Schamberger of Burbach Aquatics.

City Clerk

Nothing to Report.

Engineer
Absent at this meeting.

City Attorney
Nothing to Report.

REPORTS BY CITY COMMISSIONERS

Accounts & Finances
Comm. Hibler was absent at this meeting. Mayor Pro Tem addressed the payment of bills and explained that there was a revision to the bills list. A good portion of the bills is in part to the payment for the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Comm. Tessler made a motion to pay the total bills due on our Check Register in the amount of $539,669.90, seconded by Comm. Smith. Mayor Pro Tem asked for discussion. Motion approved with 3 ayes, 0 nays (Smith, Tessler, Mayor Pro Tem Hutton). 2 Absent (Hibler & Mayor Vehrs).
Mayor Pro Tem then addressed the Payroll Expenses due in the amount of $73,589.36 and asked for a motion.
A motion was made by Comm. Smith, seconded by Comm. Tessler that we pay the Payroll Expenses as presented. Mayor Pro Tem asked for discussion. Motion Approved 3 ayes, 0 nays (Smith, Tessler and Mayor Pro Tem Hutton). 2 Absent (Hibler & Mayor Vehrs).

Streets & Public Improvements
Comm. Smith advised that they are doing good, we're getting moving and getting things done.

Public Buildings & Property
Comm. Hutton gave his report for the last 2 weeks. They had their second visit from the Biology class at the high school. The kids had good conversation, good questions and about 80% of them were interested in what was going on. Walked around the plants with our IPRF Investigator from our insurance company, he was very happy what he had seen. They got things done on their check off list at the zoo for the Osland Grant. They are putting stone on EZ Street today and should be here in the next couple of days to put the binder down. Mayor Vehrs wanted to recognize the son of Gerald Curl, an 11 yr. old who organized and put the walk together for Brayden Grayling at the Braidwood Recreation Club. He was supposed to be here tonight but not sure what happened. They also had a meeting here last week about the Railroad Crossings at Center and Division Street. Main Street was also part of the conversation. This all had to do with the relocating of utilities ready for the June 16, 2016 Bid Letting.

Public Health & Safety
Comm. Tessler gave the Chief's stats for the last two weeks. Eric then advised that they unfortunately received a Resignation Letter from Police Officer Theresa Damron today. Eric then asked the clerk to put the Acceptance of her Resignation on the next meetings Agenda.

Planning & Zoning Board Report
Nothing to Report.

Executive Session
A motion was made by Comm. Tessler and he also requested the Administrator into executive session, seconded by Comm. Smith to go into Executive Session at 7:50pm for the purpose of discussing personnel pending and/or imminent litigation, collective bargaining/labor relations or land acquisition. Motion approved with 3 ayes, 0 nays (Tessler, Smith and Mayor Pro Tem Hutton). 2 Absent (Hibler & Mayor Vehrs).

A motion was made by Comm. Smith, seconded by Comm. Tessler to Reconvene the Regular Scheduled meeting at 8:35pm. Motion approved with 3 ayes, 0 nays (Tessler, Smith and Mayor Pro Tem Hutton).
2 Absent (Hibler & Mayor Vehrs).

Action Following Executive Session
Mayor Pro Tem brought up Resolution 15-29, Authorizing Execution of an Agreement for Development Consulting Work with LSK Architects and at this time asked for motion from the council.
A motion was made by Comm. Tessler, seconded by Comm. Smith to adopt Resolution 15-29, the Agreement with LSK. Mayor Pro Tem asked for discussion. Motion approved 3 ayes, 0 nays (Tessler, Smith and Mayor Pro Tem Hutton). 2 Absent (Hibler & Mayor Vehrs).

Old Business
Nothing to Report.

New Business
The city clerk advised everyone that she had received a call from Com Ed that they will be switching over power lines on Monday, November 19 at 9:00am. They offered to bring in generators and told them we have a generator for our municipal building, but they will bring one in as back up just as a precaution. This will be done on South Center St. and Main at Center.

Adjournment
Comm. Tessler made motion to adjourn the regular meeting, seconded by Comm. Smith. Motion approved with 3 ayes, 0 nays (Tessler, Smith and Mayor Pro Tem Hutton). 2 Absent (Hibler & Mayor Vehrs). Meeting adjourned.

Approved this 24 day of November 2015

James Vehrs Mayor

Sue Grygiel City Clerk