

CITY OF BRAIDWOOD AGENDA
Regular Meeting, Tuesday, November 12, 2024 at 7:00pm

I. Call to Order

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Roll Call by City Clerk

Kim Earling

Warren Wietting

Dale Walsh

Ron Wilczak Sr.

Karen Hart

IV. Public Comment: State your full name and spell your last name. Section 2-34 of the Braidwood Code of Ordinances imposes a three (3) minute limit for each person during public comment.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Approve Minutes of the Tuesday, October 22, 2024 Regular Meeting

VI. REPORTS BY CITY OFFICIALS

A. Mayor

1. Request motion to approve Ordinance 24-44 Granting a Map Amendment to vacant property at the Northeast Corner of N. Walker Street and W. Third Street, Braidwood, Illinois 60408 for R-1 Single Family Residence District and Approval of a Minor Subdivision for three lots. (PIN. No. 02-24-08-105-023-000)

B. Administrator

C. Clerk

D. Engineer

E. City Attorney

VII. REPORTS BY CITY COMMISSIONERS

A. Accounts and Finances

1. Approve Payment of Bills \$215,036.85
2. Approve Payroll
 - a. Check date 10/25/2024: \$103,929.24
 - b. Check date 11/08/2024: \$129,481.23
 - c. Check date 11/13/2024: \$4,950.00-Police Officers Stipend
3. The estimated 2025 Property Tax Levy is \$2,000,195.00 which is less than 105% of the amount of property taxes actually extended the preceding year. The 2025 Property Tax Levy is proposed for final action at the City's December 10, 2024 regular meeting.

B. Streets and Public Improvements

C. Public Buildings & Property

D. Public Health & Safety

E. Planning & Zoning

1. Motion to approve Ordinance 24-45 Denying variances for vacant property at the Northwest Corner of W. Kennedy Road and S. Walnut Street in Braidwood to operate a Self-Storage Facility in a Business District Comet Self Storage (PIN Nos. 02-24-07-311-012-0000; 02-24-07-311-014-0000)
2. Next Planning & Zoning Meeting is Monday, December 2, 2024 at 700pm.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

IX. NEW BUSINESS

X. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Motion to go into executive session to discuss (i) the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees (5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1)) and (ii) pending, probable, or imminent litigation against, affecting, or on behalf of the City (5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (11))

B. Motion to close executive session

XI. Next City Council Meeting is Tuesday, November 26, 2024 at 7:00pm

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Braidwood City Council Tuesday, November 12, 2024
Braidwood City Hall 141 W. Main St., Braidwood, IL 60408

Call to Order: The Regular Meeting of the Braidwood City Council on November 12, 2024 was called to order at 7:00 p.m., by Mayor Hart in the Council Chambers of the Braidwood City Hall.

Pledge of Allegiance: Mayor Hart requested all rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Upon Roll Call by the Clerk, the following members of the corporate authorities answered "Here" or "Present";

Elected Officials:

Present: Commissioner Earling, Commissioner Wietting, Commissioner Walsh, Commissioner Wilczak and Mayor Hart

Absent: None

Appointed Officials:

Present: City Clerk Weaver, City Administrator Altiery, Chief Goodwin, City Engineer Sean Kelly, and City Attorney Wellner

Absent: None

Quorum: There being sufficient members of the corporate authorities in attendance to constitute a quorum, the meeting was declared in order.

Public Comment: None

Approval of Minutes: Commissioner Wilczak made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Wietting, to approve meeting minutes from the October 22, 2024 Regular Council Meeting. Motion carried with 4 ayes; 0 nays; 1 Abstain (Earling, Wietting, Wilczak and Hart)

Mayor's Report: Hart: Requested a motion to approve Ordinance 24-44 Granting a Map Amendment to vacant property at the Northeast Corner of N. Walker and W. Third Street, Braidwood, Illinois 60408 for R-1 Single Family Residence District and Approval of a Minor Subdivision for three lots (PIN. No. 02-24-08-105-023-0000). Commissioner Wilczak made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Walsh to approve Ordinance 24-44. Motion carried with 5 ayes; 0 nays; (Earling Wietting, Walsh, Wilczak, and Hart).

Administrator Report: Altiery: Dial-A-Ride has had over 400 people sign up. We have been talking with the Park District on improvements. There is a packet for an estimate for a Splash Pad. In the area of Center St and Third St. we are also looking at having a dog park and parking lot. With a total of about \$225k to \$235k. We would lease the land off the park, hopefully this can be started sometime in the Spring. We are looking into possible match grants so maybe we can get it for half that.

For our Scarecrow Contest 1st Place Verna Clark for \$100 which will be donated to the Braidwood Food Pantry, 2nd Place Kim Earling for \$75 which will be donated to the Shop with a Cop, and 3rd Place was Diane Bergman with \$50. The prize money was donated by Olive Branch Realty.

City Clerk Report: Weaver: The yard waste cans will stop at the end of November and then become a secondary garbage can until April 1, 2025.

There will be another Women's Self-Defense/Personal Safety class held here at City Hall on December 3 from 3pm-5pm. There is a link on our website to register and it is a free class to attend.

There will be Veterans Day Fundraiser Saturday November 16 at 3pm at 553 Kennedy Rd which is the Old Jones-eez.

FOIA report for the last three weeks from October 22 – November 11 our office has received 9 FOIA's requesting 38 different pieces of information. Between all the departments from our staff it has taken 6 manhours to complete these requests.

Engineer Report: Kelly: The water main project for the school is almost completed. We are waiting on restoration. Should be wrapped up within the next week.

Last week they started the roadway work. They have completed the widening on English and moved all the asphalt. The next step is the binder, then level binder, hopefully to be sealed up before the rain. Then they will be able to surface hopefully by next week.

City Attorney Report: No report.

Accounts & Finance Report: Commissioner Earling made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Wietting, to approve the Payment of Bills, in the amount of \$215,036.85 as identified in the Accounts Payable General Ledger dated November 12, 2024. Motion carried with 5 ayes: 0 nays. (Earling, Wietting, Walsh, Wilczak and Hart)

Commissioner Earling then made a Motion, seconded by Commissioner Wilczak, to Approve Payroll Expenses, in the amount of \$103,929.24 as identified in the Payroll General Ledger dated October 25, 2024, Payroll Expenses, in the amount of \$129,481.23 as identified in the Payroll General Ledger dated November 8, 2024, and Payroll Expenses, in the amount of \$4,950.00 as identified in the Payroll General Ledger dated November 13, 2024. Motion carried with 5 ayes; 0 nays. (Earling, Wietting, Walsh, Wilczak and Hart).

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Streets & Public Improvement Report: No Report.

Public Property Report: Wietting: Some updates; Well #4 pump had a short where they will be pulling that out to see why that happened. We are also repairing the clarifier tank which froze last year and had some damage. Things should be fixed within the next couple weeks.

Public Health & Safety Report: Wilczak: The Braidwood Police Department Press Release for October 21, 2024 – November 11, 2024 total number of calls for service 461, case reports 20, total subjects arrested 9, total arrest charges 13, total number of traffic stops 194, citations 42, written warnings 106, semi-truck violations 4, total number of P-tickets 12.

ESDA report for month of October: Monthly manhours 85, Police Non-Emergency hours 58.5, administrative duties hours 24, total YTD hours for Police Non-Emergency 263.5, total yearly manhours 534.

Thank you to all veterans for your service for Veteran's Day.

It's flu season, think about getting a flu shot or Covid shot.

Planning & Zoning Report: George Koczek: Requested a motion to approve Ordinance 24-45 Denying variances for vacant property at the Northwest Corner of W. Kennedy Road and S. Walnut Street in Braidwood to operate a Self-Storage Facility in a Business District Comet Self Storage (PIN No. 02-24-07-311-012-0000; 02-24-07-311-014-0000). Commissioner Wietting requested a motion, seconded by Commissioner Wilczak to approve Ordinance 24-45. Motion carried with 5 ayes; 0 nays. (Earling, Wietting, Walsh, Wilczak and Hart).

Next Planning and Zoning meeting will be Monday, December 2, 2024 at 7:00pm.

Old Business: Altiery: Regarding the parades our streets and water department also help with these activities.

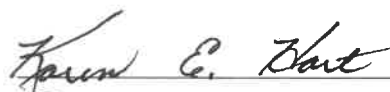
New Business: Walsh: One of our Street employees will be leaving for another position in Indiana. We have hired a new employee to take that position, where he will start on Monday.

Hart: I had mentioned at trying to have Blood Drive here and Josh Bolatto went and check on this for me.

Bolatto: I spoke with Versiti where they do a lot of mobile and outreach events. We are looking at having an event in the building and not the mobile buses. We are looking at doing an event every 6 months. We just need to coordinate some dates with them and any other programs so there is no overlapping. We are hoping to have the first one scheduled in the New Year.

Adjournment: Commissioner Wilczak made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Earling, to adjourn the November 12, 2024 regular meeting of the Braidwood City Council. Motion carried with 5 ayes: 0 nays. (Earling, Wietting, Walsh, Wilczak and Hart) The next regular meeting of the Council will be held Tuesday, November 26, 2024 at 7:00pm

Approved this 26 Day of November 2024.

 _____ Mayor

 _____ City Clerk

