

CITY OF BRAIDWOOD AGENDA
Regular Meeting, Tuesday November 24, 2015 @ 7:00pm

Call to Order
Pledge of Allegiance
Roll Call
Public Comment

APPROVAL OF MINUTES -November 10, 2015 Regular Meeting
-November 17, 2015 Special Meeting

REPORTS BY CITY OFFICIALS

Mayor- Report Status on Disposal of Property; 45' Light Poles, 2001 GMC Surplus

Administrator- Resolution 15-30, Authorizing Execution of Agreement for Professional Services

Clerk-

Engineer-

City Attorney-

REPORTS BY CITY COMMISSIONERS

Accounts and Finances -Payment of Bills
-Payroll

Streets and Public Improvements -

Public Buildings & Property- Resolution 15-31,Determining Certain Item of Personal Property is Surplus
And Allowing for the Sale of the Same

Public Health & Safety- Accept Resignation of Officer Teresa Damron
-Police Pension Fund Board requesting City to Levy Tax of \$238,985 for Pension Fund

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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City Council Regular Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, November 24, 2015

Call to Order

Mayor Jim Vehrs called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Vehrs asked Noah Curl to please come up to the table and led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Mayor said before we do the roll call, he would like everyone to please stand in a moment of silence for the people in Paris.

Roll Call

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

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

Public Comment

At this time the Mayor invited Noah Curl, an eighth grader to come up and take over the Mayors seat and explain how he did the 5K Run for Brayden Grayling out at the Braidwood Rec Club. The Mayor told him to sit down in his chair and be the Mayor. Brayden passed away from a terminal brain cancer at the age of 6. It hit the Curl family hard even though they didn't know the family directly. Noah's step sister had passed several years ago from the same type of disease. He himself came up with the idea and told his dad we need to do something for Brayden and the idea just kept going on and became a reality. They took half the proceeds and gave to a child with a similar disease and the other half went to the school for a new piece of playground equipment in Brayden's name. Noah is in the planning stages for next year looking for up to 1,000 people to participate. He thanked the city and Mayor Vehrs for coming out and supporting this cause. The Administrator and Mayor told Noah to apply for Turn About with the students who take over the council's positions for a day.

Public Comment opened and closed at 7:09pm.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes for the November 10, 2015 Regular Meeting were approved as read. Motion made by Comm. Hutton, seconded by Comm. Tessler. Mayor Vehrs asked for discussion. Motion approved with 4 ayes, 0 nays, (Tessler, Hibler, Hutton & Mayor Vehrs). Comm. Smith was absent.

A motion was made by Comm. Tessler, seconded by Comm. Hutton to approve the minutes from the Special Meeting of November 17, 2015. Mayor Vehrs asked for discussion. Motion approved 4 ayes, 0 nays (Tessler, Hutton, Hibler & Mayor Vehrs). Comm. Smith was absent.

REPORTS BY CITY COMMISSIONERS

Mayor

Mayor Vehrs gave a status report on the disposal of surplus property in regards to the 45 ft. light poles. He advised the city is going to donate the poles to the Park District and believes they are going to use them on the baseball diamonds. The Mayor also acknowledged Gerry Curl and told him he was doing a fine job with the BBSA.

The Mayor also advised the council that we sold the 2001 GMC Pickup with the plow and salt spreader for \$3,500.

Administrator

Andy brought up his agenda item regarding Burbach Aquatics, Professional Services Agreement for a survey. The Agreement was sent to the city attorney for review and after some back and forth they have come up with an Agreement. The cost of their services is \$4,500 so needs council approval. Comm. Hutton questioned that this survey will determine if it's feasible and doable for the town? Andy advised yes and this is Phase 1.

A motion was made by Comm. Hutton, seconded by Comm. Tessler to Approve Resolution 15-30, the Agreement with Burbach Aquatics for their survey. Mayor Vehrs asked for discussion. Motion approved 4 ayes, 0 nays (Hutton, Tessler, Hibler & Mayor Vehrs). Comm. Smith was absent.

City Clerk

Nothing to Report.

Engineer

Absent at this meeting.

City Attorney

Nothing to Report.

REPORTS BY CITY COMMISSIONERS

Accounts & Finances

Comm. Hibler made a motion to pay the total bills due on our Check Register in the amount of \$111,082.90, seconded by Comm. Hutton. Mayor Vehrs asked for discussion. Motion approved with 4 ayes, 0 nays (Hibler, Hutton, Tessler & Mayor Vehrs). Comm. Smith absent.

Comm. Hibler made a motion to pay the Payroll Expenses due in the amount of \$83,289.19, seconded by Comm. Tessler. Mayor Vehrs asked for discussion. Motion approved 4 ayes, 0 nays (Hibler, Tessler, Hutton & Mayor Vehrs). Comm. Smith was absent.

Streets & Public Improvements

Comm. Smith out of town for meeting.

Public Buildings & Property

Comm. Hutton gave his report for the last 2 weeks. Comm. Hutton advised that Austin Tyler was in town today looking at paving job from last year. Jim talked with Brian, Engineer, and he is going to get with them and it's more than likely too late to do anything this year. Austin Tyler is also looking for their retainage and Brian is going to talk with him and see what they can work out.

Comm. Hutton then addressed his agenda item, Resolution 15-31 Determining Certain Item of Personal Property is Surplus. This is a flatbed that is no longer useful to the city. It's a 3 axle trailer; needs new brakes, new decking, tires, new wiring which would cost us about \$3000-\$4000. The trailer is not worth a whole lot. Comm. Tessler asked if we had title for it and Comm. Hutton replied yes we do. If we can sell it and if not we will scrap it.

A motion was made by Comm. Hutton, seconded by Comm. Tessler to adopt Resolution 15-31, declaring this trailer as surplus. Mayor Vehrs asked for discussion. Motion approved 4 ayes, 0 nays (Hutton, Tessler, Hibler & Mayor Vehrs). Comm. Smith was absent.

Public Health & Safety

Comm. Tessler gave the Chief's stats for the last two weeks. Comm. Tessler addressed his agenda regarding the resignation of Teresa Damron. He reminded everyone that he read her letter at the last council meeting and it's unfortunate she's resigning her position with the Braidwood Police Department.

A motion was made by Comm. Tessler to accept the resignation of Teresa Damron, seconded by Comm. Hutton. Mayor Vehrs asked for discussion. Motion approved 4 ayes, 0 nays (Tessler, Hutton, Hibler & Mayor Vehrs). Comm. Smith was absent. Comm. Tessler said there was miscommunication with his second agenda item.

Planning & Zoning Board Report

Nothing to Report.

Executive Session

A motion was made by Comm. Hutton and he also requested the Administrator into executive session, seconded by Comm. Tessler to go into Executive Session at 7:22 pm for the purpose of discussing pending and/or imminent litigation and collective bargaining. Motion approved with 4 ayes, 0 nays (Hutton, Tessler, Hibler and Mayor Vehrs). Comm. Smith was absent.

A motion was made by Comm. Hutton, seconded by Comm. Tessler to Reconvene the Regular Scheduled meeting. Motion approved with 4 ayes, 0 nays (Hutton, Tessler, Hibler & Mayor Vehrs). Comm. Smith was absent.

Action Following Executive Session

The City Attorney advised the council that we need a motion Nunc Pro Tunc to go into Executive Session in addition to discussing pending or imminent litigation and collective bargaining. A motion was made by Comm. Hutton, seconded by Comm. Tessler for Nunc Pro to go into Executive Session to also discuss Real Estate matters/Acquisitions. Motion approved 4 ayes, 0 nays (Hutton, Tessler, Hibler & Mayor Vehrs). Comm. Smith was absent.

Old Business

Andy advised that he's still working with CGI Communications, the company doing the video for the TIF area to put on our website. This is work by advertising but we have some copyright infringements our attorney is looking at. If this firm doesn't work out he has another firm in mind but they do charge a fee. The whole concept is to put on a website a video tour of the city, developed areas, TIF. We would be using our helicopter to do this.

New Business

The mayor asked Noah Curl if he has picked out a day for next year's 5K Run? Noah said maybe closer to Brayden's birthday, March 16 or closer to Halloween, they don't want it close to his day of passing.

Adjournment

Comm. Tessler made motion to adjourn the regular meeting, seconded by Comm. Hutton. Motion approved with 4 ayes, 0 nays (Tessler, Hutton, Hibler & Mayor Vehrs). Comm. Smith was absent.
Meeting adjourned.

Approved this 8th day of December 2015

James A. Vehrs. Mayor

Sue Gruppil City Clerk

