

CITY OF BRAIDWOOD
Agenda
City Council Regular Meeting
Tuesday, December 9, 2014, 7:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers

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

November 25, 2014 – Public Hearing and Regular Meeting

Reports by City Officials

Mayor

A Motion to Approve an Ordinance Amending Traffic & Vehicles Chapter of the Code of Ordinances
A Motion to Approve a Resolution to name Bergera Street Park

Administrator

Clerk

Request by the Pregnancy Resource Center for a Walk for Life on Saturday, April 25, 2015 at 8:30 – 11:00 AM

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

Motion to Approve a Resolution Authorizing the Intergovernmental Agreement by and Between Will County 9-1-1
Emergency Telephone System Board and the City of Braidwood for the Funding of a 9-1-1 Surcharge Reallocation

Planning & Zoning Board Report

Old Business

New Business

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

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, Commissioner of Public Health and Safety Eric Tessler, and Commissioner of Accounts and Finances Elena Hibler.

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

Public Comment

Comm. Hutton commented for Angie Hutton from the Chamber on the parade Saturday night. There were 80 bags of candy handed out and approximately 25-26 units/floats in the parade. Comm. Hutton advised Angie would be at the next meeting with all of the information from the Chamber.

Approval of Minutes

Mayor requested a motion to approve the public hearing minutes of the November 25, 2014 minutes. Comm. Tessler made the motion, seconded by Comm. Hutton. The motion was approved with 4 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Tessler, Graf) 1 abstain (Rulien) 0 nays.

Minutes from the regular November 25, 2014 meeting corrected under the approval of minutes Comm. Hutton made the motion, seconded by Comm. Tessler.

Reports by City Officials

Mayor Rulien advised that Raceway Pizza closed. He thanked Michelle and Wade for all they have done in the community and advised everyone that Rosati's Pizza will be opening after they do a few updates and they are expanding the seating.

Mayor advised since seeing everything that is going on in Ferguson MO, he felt we should check into body cameras for our officers and went to Comm. Tessler and the Chief with his concern. The Mayor advised that the Chief and Eric were already on top of it and our officers have had body cams for the last year.

Mayor updated the council on the high speed rail meeting and the work under construction. The concerns the city has regarding the grades, the steepness and the drainage have all been brought to the attention of both IDOT and the Railroad, even IDOT explained to the railroad that the main crossing has to be handicapped accessible

so they are correcting the slope and putting in tracking paving. The permanent crossing should be completed in 2016 and the height problems will be fixed.

*Mayor requested a motion to approve an Ordinance 14-17 Amending Traffic & Vehicles Chapter of the Code of Ordinances. Comm. Hibler made the motion, seconded by Comm. Hutton. **Discussion:** Mayor advised with a \$30.00 late fee, it is not promoting people to buy their stickers if they forgot. They will wait until they get a ticket and Chief Girot advised if they go to the administrative hearing and agree to comply the hearing officer will drop the fine to \$20.00. The motion was approved with 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Tessler, Graf, Rulien) 0 nays.*

Mayor advised council on the piece of property the city was given on end Bergera Street. The property has a small pond on it and is attached to the old Railroad tracks that the city already owns. The city has already been maintaining the property and there is a need on that side of town for a park area. The Mayor requested the park be named after our late Mayor Jerry Pressley. The Mayor read a tribute to what Jerry stood for and wanted to see for our town and he felt this would be a perfect name for the park as Jerry never met anyone that didn't try to welcome as a friend.

Mayor requested a motion to approve Resolution 14-23 naming the Bergera Street Park as Jerry Pressley Park. Comm. Tessler made the motion, seconded by Comm. Graf. The motion was approved with 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Tessler, Graf, Rulien) 0 nays.

City Administrator

City Administrator advised family dollar is still moving forward, they are having some problems with IDOT permits, he and Doug are speaking with the property owners and developer on the west side of the interstate to see if they can come to some type of an agreement for a gas station and restaurant. They are also working with a developer and the Good Table.

Chief Girot also spoke about questions/comments that were raised as to what the officers were handing out at the parade and if it was political material. Girot advised they walked and handed out candy to give back to the community they serve. Girot advised the officers themselves volunteered their time to do this and it is disheartening to have comments like that made.

The Mayor also added his thanks to Doug Savarino and the police department for their work on Sunday with the welcome home parade for our veterans.

City Clerk

City Clerk present a request from the Grundy/So. Will Pregnancy Resource Center to have a walk for life on Saturday, April 25, 2015 from 8:30 – 11:00 am. The path of the walk will go west on Main Street to Walker Street south to Kennedy Road east to Lincoln southeast to Center Street north to Main Street west Back to IMC.

Mayor requested a motion to approve the Walk for Life. Comm. Hibler made the motion, seconded by Comm. Hutton. The motion was approved with 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Tessler, Graf, Rulien) 0 nays.

City Engineer

Absent

City Attorney

Attorney advised the 150 and SEIU contract will be done by the next council meeting.

Reports by City Commissioners

Comm. Hibler moved to pay \$141,604.03 in bills. Comm. Graf seconded. The motion was approved with 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Tessler, Graf, Rulien) 0 nays.

Comm. Hibler moved to pay \$1,408.00 in federal forfeiture funds. Comm. Hutton seconded. The motion was approved 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Tessler, Graf, Rulien) 0 nays.

Comm. Hibler moved to pay \$75,401.71 in payroll. Comm. Graf seconded. The motion was approved 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Tessler, Graf, Rulien) 0 nays.

Commissioner of Streets and Public Improvements (Comm. Graf) advised we haven't had any more snow so he was not going to jinx it.

Commissioner of Public Properties (Comm. Hutton) (a) read the weekly reports from the outside crew and the plant crew.

Commissioner of Public Health & Safety (Comm. Tessler) advised there has been a phone scam going on where they are calling and saying they are the IRS and requesting payment. Comm. Tessler reminded everyone to not give out any personal information the IRS does not call for payment.

Comm. Tessler also advised that 12/23/14 is Scott's law day, which is a law requiring you to move over for emergency vehicles.

Comm. Tessler moved to approve a Resolution 14-24 Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement with the 9-1-1 Emergency Telephone System Board. Comm. Hutton seconded. The motion was approved 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Tessler, Graf, Rulien) 0 nays.

Comm. Tessler updated the council on an arrest made in regards to the burglaries a few months ago and advised that Chris Altieri will be graduating on Thursday from PTI.

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, Tessler, Graf, Rulien) 0 nays.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:27 pm.

Approved this 23 day of December 2014

Will Del Mayor

Lisa Allisson City Clerk

