CITY OF BRAIDWOOD

Agenda

City Council Regular Meeting

Tuesday, December 27, 2011, 7:00 p.m.

City Council Chambers

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Public Comment

Approval of Minutes

December 13, 2011 TIF III Public Hearing

December 13, 2011 Property Tax Levy Public Hearing

December 13, 2011 Regular Meeting

Reports by City Officials

Mayor

Announcement of Residential Electronic Collection Program

Ordinance Approving the Redevelopment Plan and Projects for the City of Braidwood Tax Increment Financing District III

Ordinance Designating the Redevelopment Project Area for the City of Braidwood Tax Increment Financing District III; and

Ordinance Adopting Tax Increment Allocation Financing for Braidwood Tax Increment Financing District III.

Administrator

Clerk

Calendar of 2012 City Council Regular Meetings

Planner

Old Business

New Business

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

Adjournment

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Minutes

City Council Regular Meeting

Tuesday, December 27, 2011, 7:00 p.m.

City Council Chambers

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 Attorney Scott Pyles, Chief of Police-City Administrator Rich Girot, City Planner Jim Testin, and City Clerk Pat McGuire.

Public Comment

None

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the December 13, 2011 TIF III Public Hearing were approved as written.

The minutes of the December 13, 2011 Property Tax Levy Public Hearing were approved as written.

The minutes of the December 13, 2011 Regular Meeting were approved as written.

Reports by City Officials

Mayor Rulien (a) described Will County's free Residential Electronic Collection Program and said to call City Hall for the number to arrange pick-up; (b) said he spoke with Will County Executive Larry Walsh regarding the proposed High Speed Rail siding. Walsh told Mayor Rulien IDOT does not want to situate the siding where it would close the Coal City Road-Route 53 crossing. Walsh will continue to work on the matter and will meet again with Mayor Rulien. State senator Sue Rezin is helping, too; (c) said the new Quiznos inside the BP station now is open.

Cmmr. Hutton moved to adopt Ordinance No. 11-61 Approving the Redevelopment Plan and Projects for the City of Braidwood Tax Increment Financing District III. Cmmr. Tessler seconded. The motion was approved with 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler, Rulien) and 0 nays.

Cmmr. Graf moved to adopt Ordinance No. 11-62 Designating the Redevelopment Project Area for the City of Braidwood Tax Increment Financing District III. Cmmr. Hibler seconded. The motion was approved with 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler, Rulien) and 0 nays.

Cmmr. Tessler moved to adopt Ordinance No. 11-63 Adopting Tax Increment Allocation Financing for Braidwood Tax Increment Financing District III. Cmmr. Hutton seconded. The motion was approved with 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler, Rulien) and 0 nays.

Police Chief-City Administrator Girot (a) said a link is needed on the city's website to allow free notification to residents of crime alerts, boil orders, community events, and the like; (b) reported he spoke with Will County Animal Control and suggested the City Council look into a less expensive way of performing animal control within the city limits; (c) said he and City Planner Testin are working with a developer interested in erecting a 15,000 square foot building in downtown Braidwood. City Planner Testin noted the facility could be a restaurant and banquet hall. He added that the creation of TIF III should help whet hotel firms' appetite to build in Braidwood.

City Clerk McGuire proposed the 2012 calendar of City Council regular meetings, noting that Mayor Rulien approved moving the second December meeting from Dec. 25 to Dec. 27.

Cmmr. Hutton moved to approve the Calendar of 2012 City Council Regular Meetings. Cmmr. Tessler seconded. The motion was approved with 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler, Rulien) and 0 nays.

City Planner Testin had no further report.

City Attorney Pyles said he has given a draft shed ordinance to council members. He pointed out that sheds are covered by the zoning table and suggested the matter be referred to the Planning & Zoning Board for a recommendation to the council.

Reports by City Commissioners

Commissioner of Accounts and Finances Hibler said the addition of a negotiated payment of $52,681.56 in TIF I funds to K & A Development brings the total amount of bills due to $1,521,071.37.

Cmmr. Hibler moved to pay $1,521,071.37 in bills. Cmmr. Graf seconded. The motion was approved with 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler, Rulien) and 0 nays.

Cmmr. Hibler moved to pay $65,823.61 in payroll. Cmmr. Hutton seconded. The motion was approved with 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler, Rulien) and 0 nays.

Cmmr. Hibler announced the city has renewed its insurance policies with Arthur J. Gallagher & Co. with no increase in cost.

Commissioner of Streets and Public Improvements Graf said a new pickup truck is needed because the city's current pickup is ten years old and nearly shot. Mayor Rulien said the new truck is being bought through the Will County Governmental League joint bid program on a three-year payment plan.

Cmmr. Graf moved to give the Mayor Approval to Enter into a Contract with Ford Credit to Purchase a 2011 Ford F250 4x4 Pickup Truck with Plow. Cmmr. Tessler seconded. The motion was approved with 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler, Rulien) and 0 nays.

Commissioner of Public Property Hutton moved to grant Approval of Change Order #5 for 2010 TIF Water Main & Drainage Improvements / Contract 2. Cmmr. Graf seconded. The motion was approved with 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler, Rulien) and 0 nays.

Cmmr. Hutton moved to grant Approval of Change Order #6 for 2010 TIF Water Main & Drainage Improvements / Contract 2. Cmmr. Tessler seconded. The motion was approved with 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler, Rulien) and 0 nays.

Cmmr. Hutton (a) said the EPA approved the sanitary sewer in front of Kennedy's body shop; (b) read two biweekly reports; (c) said Superior Excavating finished the Will Road work; (d) reported Spring Road work is progressing; (e) announced the Waste Water Treatment Plant centrifuge is in place.

Commissioner of Public Health and Safety Tessler (a) reported that the two recently hired police officers graduated from training in Champaign Dec. 22 with one, Officer Angela Genetski, winning two awards; (b) said he and Chief Girot are interested in having stop signs erected at Cook and Main Streets and also at Office and Main Streets. The City Clerk was directed to place the first item on the council's January 10, 2012 agenda; (c) announced the Police Department's new drug-sniffing dog, Neutron, has arrived.

Planning & Zoning Board Report

Chairperson Michelle Serena conveyed five recommendations from the board's meeting of Dec. 5, 2011:

1. Recommendation to Approve WC Media's Request for a Variance for Billboard Size and Height

2. Recommendation to Approve Altiery/Williams' Request to Re-Zone 1179 W. Kennedy Rd. from R-1 to B-2

3. Recommendation to Approve Favero's Request to Re-Zone 850 N. Division from R-1 to AG

4. Recommendation to Approve Chapter 23-Amendment, Zoning Tables, Reclassifications and Updates, Commercial & Industrial

5. Recommendation to Approve the Re-zoning of the Downtown Re-Development District from R-1 to B-1

The City Attorney will prepare these recommendations as ordinances for council consideration.

Old Business

None

New Business

Mayor Rulien said a TIF III intergovernmental agreement with Coal City, Reed-Custer, and Wilmington school districts is anticipated.

Executive Session

None

Adjournment

Cmmr. Hutton moved to adjourn. Cmmr. Tessler seconded. The motion was approved with 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler, Rulien) and 0 nays.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Approved this 10th day of January ~~2011~~ 2012

Will Dee Mayor

Patrick McQuire City Clerk