CITY OF BRAIDWOOD
Minutes
City Council Regular Meeting
Tuesday, March 27, 2012
City Council Chambers

Call to Order

Mayor Bill Rulien called the meeting to order at 7:00p.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, City Administrator Rich Girot, and City Clerk Lisa Glisson.

Public Comment

None

Approval of Minutes

The minutes for the March 13, 2012 public hearing and regular meeting were approved as read.

Reports by City Officials

Mayor Rulien recognized Caitlyn Welch as the Journals Sportswoman of the Year.

Rulien asked for a motion to approve the Shed Ordinance 12-11, which Attorney Scott Pyles revised from the last meeting. Comm. Tessler made a motion to approve the shed ordinance. Seconded by Comm. Hutton. The motion was approved with 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler, Rulien) and 0 nays.

Mayor Rulien advised he had a meeting with Senator Durbin, we discussed the rail siding and other issues. We are working on a boundary agreement with Coal City and will also contact Wilmington for one with them. The Welcome Center is almost ready due to the hard work of the Public Works department. Casey's has an application in to ComEd for power; they expect to start construction in May and hope to have it done by fall. The first site plan for the restaurant and shops next to Casey's went back for some revisions. We had one boarded up house has been cleaned up and is back on the market, have an agreement with another to have the building fixed by June 1, 2012. Meeting tomorrow with Larry Walsh, some of the County Board Members and IDOT to discuss the rail siding.

City Administrator and Mayor recognized Sgt. Donn Kaminski for his hard work and dedication for the last 22 years of service to the City of Braidwood. Sgt. Kaminski was then promoted to the Deputy Chief position.

City Clerk advised the RC Jr Comets requested a tag day for Saturday, June 16, 2012. *Comm. Hutton made a motion to approve the tag day. Seconded by Comm. Tessler. The motion was approved with 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler, Rulien) and 0 nays.*

City Clerk reminded the Council that this was the last week to purchase vehicle stickers before late charges applied.

Attorney

City Attorney Scott Pyles presented the ordinance related to a lateral transfer within the police department. This would allow the City to have a secondary list of police officers that are already trained that could be hired it would also allow us to hire our own part-timers off that list; this would save the City on having to train officers.

Rulien asked for a motion to approve the Ordinance Providing Lateral Transfer for Police Officer Hiring 12-12. Comm. Tessler made a motion to approve the ordinance. Seconded by Comm. Graf. The motion was approved with 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler, Rulien) and 0 nays.

Reports by City Commissioners

Comm. Hibler moved to pay $850,251.00 in bills. Comm. Hutton seconded. The motion was approved with 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler, Rulien) with 0 nays.

Comm. Hibler moved to pay $64,597.88 in payroll. Comm. Hutton seconded. The motion was approved with 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler, Rulien) with 0 nays.

Commission of Streets and Public Improvements advised with the good weather the workers are getting ready for mowing. Comm. Graf advised the school contacted him and the 7th grade students along with the teachers are going to be cleaning up the park next week. The public works department will help out with loaning some hand tools.

Commissioner of Public Property Hutton reported the change order #9 & #10 for the WWTP will be ready for the next meeting.

Comm. Hutton then (a) read two biweekly reports; (b) all pipes will be underground on Will Road by Thursday and then the black dirt for the ditches, and grind and pave road (c) Kennedy's body shop the core drilling, coming next week to put in the sanitary sewer so it will not affect the Red Carpet Corridor (d) Mitchell Street Pond is open again. Aubrey opens it first thing in the morning and the PD closes it at night.

Commissioner of Public Health and Safety stated that the BBSA requested a time change for the parade it will now start at 8:00 AM. Comm. Tessler advised he will be attending a Wescom meeting on Saturday. Comm. Tessler read an alert from ComEd regarding scam artist. Comm. Tessler requested the police department enforce the no parking signs at Berkots where the cash station and Red Box are at. It is very dangerous to park there and someone is going to get hit.

Comm. Tessler reflected on the last year and the hard decisions that have to be made, going forward Rich will have the authority to look into other means of budgeting the police department, weather it is contracting it out or consolidation.

Planning and Zoning

April 2, 2012 meeting has been cancelled due to lack of agenda items.

Old Business

New Business

Comm. Graf commended the Police Department and Comm. Tessler for the handling of a complaint by a citizen last week.

Executive Session

Comm. Tessler moved to enter executive session to discuss personnel, pending and/or imminent litigation, collective bargaining/labor relations or land acquisition. Mayor Rulien advised you need to be specific, Comm. Tessler advised all of the above. Comm. Hutton seconded. The motion was approved with 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler, Rulien) and 0 nays.

Call to Order

Mayor Rulien reconvened the regular meeting at 7:49 p.m.

Roll Call

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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, Graf, Tessler, Rulein) and 0 nays.

Approved this 10 day of April 2012

_____ Mayor

_____ City Clerk