

CITY OF BRAIDWOOD
Minutes
City Council Regular Meeting
Tuesday, August 14, 2012
City Council Chambers

Call to Order

Commissioner Elena Hibler Mayor Pro Tem called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by everyone present.

Roll Call

Elected Officials present: 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: Attorney Megan Prescott filling in for City Attorney Scott Pyles, City Administrator/Police Chief Rich Girot, City Clerk Lisa Glisson and Engineer Joe Regis.

Public Comment

Comm. Hibler opened and closed public comment at 7:01 pm, with no comments from anyone.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes for the July 24, 2012 and regular meeting were approved as written.

Reports by City Officials

Comm. Hibler advised she was sitting in for the Mayor this evening.

Comm. Hibler read the Proclamation by Governor Quinn and by Mayor Rulien for the Knights of Columbus 43rd Annual Fund Raiser for helping people with Intellectual and Physical Disabilities on Sept. 21, 22, and 23, 2012.

Comm. Hibler requested a motion to approve the Knights of Columbus annual tootsie roll drive on Sept. 21, 22, and 23, 2012. Comm. Hutton made a motion to approve the fundraiser. Seconded by Comm. Tessler. The motion was approved with 4 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler) 0 nays and 1 absent (Rulien).

Comm. Hibler read a letter from The National Association of Letter Carriers requesting a tag day to raise funds for MDA (Muscular Dystrophy Association) on September 9, 2012 at the intersection of Main & Division Street.

Comm. Hibler requested a motion to approve the tag day. Comm. Hutton made a motion to approve the tag day. Seconded by Comm. Tessler. The motion was approved with 4 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler) 0 nays and 1 absent (Rulien).

Comm. Hibler reminded everyone of the Family Day – A day to eat dinner with your children scheduled on Monday, September 24, 2012, as statistics show that children who regularly eat dinner with their families are less likely to use drugs or alcohol.

Comm. Hibler read a letter from The Braidwood Lions Club requesting permission to hold their annual Candy Day to raise funds to support numerous humanitarian services. The Candy Day fundraiser will be on Friday October 12, 2012 from 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm and Saturday, October 13, 2012 from 8:30 am to 11:30 am at the downtown intersections.

Comm. Hibler requested a motion to approve the Candy Day fundraiser. Comm. Tessler made a motion to approve the Candy Day. Seconded by Comm. Graf. The motion was approved with 4 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler) 0 nays and 1 absent (Rulien).

Administrator

Administrator/Chief Girot reported he is working on a 9 acre annexation at Spring Road with Mr. Phillips, hopefully by next month an agreement will be done.

Chief Girot reported that Deputy Chief Kaminski and himself will be out of the office next Monday and Tuesday at a Chief's training class in Tinley Park.

Reports by City Commissioners

Comm. Hibler moved to pay \$164,320.53 in bills. Comm. Tessler seconded. The motion was approved with 4 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler) 0 nays and 1 absent (Rulien).

Comm. Hibler moved to pay \$67,751.07 in payroll. Comm. Tessler seconded. The motion was approved with 4 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler) 0 nays and 1 absent (Rulien).

Commissioner of Streets and Public Improvements (Comm. Graf) introduced the engineer Joe Regis to the Council. Joe is working with the City on the Safe Routes to School Grant.

Comm. Graf made a motion to authorize the Mayor to enter into a Local Agency Agreement for Federal Participation for the Safe Routes to Schools Grant. Comm. Hibler seconded. Discussion: Mr. Regis explained the grant and the need for the agreement. He explained that none of the engineering will come out of the City's pocket it will be from the grant. Comm. Hutton also explained that two of the sidewalks that were in the grant have been removed since the City already did them. Mr. Regis explained that they took out the sidewalks that were done on the block on Second Street and a block on Third Street and they added in a block on Eureka and one from Francis. The motion was approved with 4 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler) 0 nays and 1 absent (Rulien).

Comm. Graf made a motion to authorize the Mayor to enter into a Preliminary Engineering Services Agreement for Federal Participation for the Safe Routes to Schools Grant. Comm. Tessler seconded. The motion was approved with 4 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler) 0 nays and 1 absent (Rulien).

Comm. Graf made a motion to Award the 2012 MFT bid of \$371,054.07 to P.T. Ferro Construction Company. Comm. Tessler seconded. The motion was approved with 4 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler) 0 nays and 1 absent (Rulien).

Commissioner of Public Properties (Comm. Hutton) (a) read two biweekly reports (b) the WWTP is running well they are still working the bugs out, but it is a lot easier (c) they are still working on Division Street sewer, the pipe did not come in and it will be another week that it is closed (d) the tritium test results are in and it is well below the set limits, the results are posted in the hallway if anyone would like to see it (e) Comm. Graf also commented on how well Comm. Hutton, the Mayor, Rob and himself worked together to fix a bracket problem.

Commissioner of Public Health and Safety (Comm. Tessler) (a) reported the police department received a grant in the amount of \$2800.00 for Eddie Eagle program which is a gun safety program. The basis of the program is to teach kids to stop, don't touch, leave the area and tell an adult. Tari Atherton, the clerk at the police department, will be going to local schools and daycares with the program (b) reminded everyone of the NRC (Nuclear Regulatory Committee) yearly meeting will be held at City Hall tomorrow, August 15, 2012, at 6:00 pm and it is open to the public.

Building Inspector's Report

The City Clerk read the Building Inspector's Report for the month of July, 2012.

Old Business

New Business

Comm. Tessler asked when we would be adopting the Safety Manual, as after review there were changes that he would like to see. As this was the first draft of the manual, we were looking to have the changes made and maybe at the next meeting it could be approved.

Adjournment

Comm. Hibler asked for a motion to adjourn. Comm. Hutton made that motion, seconded by Comm. Tessler. The motion was approved with 4 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler) 0 nays and 1 absent (Rulien).

Approved this 28 day of August 2012

Will Be Mayor

Lisa Allison City Clerk