CITY OF BRAIDWOOD

Minutes

City Council Regular Meeting

Tuesday, October 25, 2011

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 at the meeting.

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 Rich Girot, City Clerk Pat McGuire, and City Planner Jim Testin (Hamilton Engineering)

Public Comment

Jim Canup, 460 Sullivan, encouraged all to send comments about the proposed High Speed Rail siding to the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT).

Approval of Minutes

Approval of the minutes of the October 11, 2011 Public Hearing was deferred to the next meeting.

Mayor Rulien asked if there were any objections to the minutes of the October 11, 2011 Regular Meeting. Hearing none, the minutes were accepted as written.

Reports by City Officials

Mayor Rulien (a) today attended an IDOT meeting in Joliet on High Speed Rail, at which nothing substantial was discussed, but the City of Braidwood has written to elected officials asking for help in the effort to relocate the planned siding, and he thanks Marney

Simon for the supportive commentary in the recent Braidwood Journal; (b) improvements have been made at the Kennedy Body Shop; (c) a motel chain is interested in locating in the proposed TIF III; (d) park benches are being installed; (e) he will host "Coffee with the Mayor" on Wed., Nov. 2 at 7:00 p.m. in the meeting room at McDonald's.

Mayor Rulien asked for a motion to approve Ordinance 11-42 amending the Buildings and Building Regulations chapter of the Code of Ordinances regarding building permit fees. Motion made by Cmmr. Tessler and seconded by Cmmr. Hutton.

> Cmmr. Hutton asked if the total number of inspections stated in the proposed ordinance should be five, eight, or nine. Mayor Rulien noted which fees change and which stay the same.

Ordinance 11-42 amending the Buildings and Building Regulations chapter of the Code of Ordinances regarding building permit fees was adopted 5-0 (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler, Rulien).

Mayor Rulien asked for a motion to approve Ordinance 11-43 to establish a Tax Increment Financing "Interested Parties Registry" and adopt registration rules for such registries for the Braidwood Tax Increment Financing (TIF) District III. Motion made by Cmmr. Tessler, seconded by Cmmr. Hibler, and adopted 5-0 (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler, Rulien).

Mayor Rulien asked for a motion to approve Ordinance 11-44 approving the termination of the Braidwood Tax Increment Financing (TIF) District I redevelopment area, plan, and projects. Motion made by Cmmr. Tessler, seconded by Cmmr. Hutton, and adopted 5-0 (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler, Rulien).

Mayor Rulien asked for a motion to approve Ordinance 11-45 to establish a Public Hearing date for the Braidwood Tax Increment Financing (TIF) District III. Motion made by Cmmr. Graf, seconded by Cmmr. Hutton, and adopted 5-0 (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler, Rulien).

Chief Girot said (a) construction at BP is moving along; (b) Exelon supports the city's position regarding the High Speed Rail siding; (c) four more annexations are forthcoming.

City Clerk McGuire pointed to the new Reed Township and Wilmington Township precinct maps received Oct. 25 from Will County Clerk Nancy Schultz Voots. The number of precincts in both townships was reduced from five to three.

City Planner Testin had no report.

City Attorney Pyles had no report.

Reports by City Commissioners

Cmmr. Hibler said $1,053,098.47 is due in bills and $62,472.51 is due in payroll.

Mayor Rulien asked for a motion to approve the payment of bills. Motion made by Cmmr. Hibler, seconded by Cmmr. Hutton, and approved: 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler, Rulien), 0 nays.

Mayor Rulien asked for a motion to approve the payment of payroll. Motion made by Cmmr. Hibler, seconded by Cmmr. Graf, and approved: 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler, Rulien), 0 nays.

Cmmr. Graf (a) gave an update on the Novy Road resurfacing; (b) encouraged all to drive safely on the Interstate 55-Route 113 ramp.

Cmmr. Hutton explained the following two motions:

Mayor Rulien asked for a motion to approve the request for Change Order #3 & Final for Mitchell Street Detention & Drainage Improvements (TIF). Motion made by Cmmr. Hutton, seconded by Cmmr. Hibler, and approved: 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler, Rulien), 0 nays.

Mayor Rulien asked for a motion to approve the request for Change Order #7 for the Waste Water Treatment Plant (WWTP) Project (TIF). Motion made by Cmmr. Hutton, seconded by Cmmr. Tessler, and approved: 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler, Rulien), 0 nays.

Cmmr. Hutton (a) read the standard biweekly reports; (b) said hydrant flushing is finished; (c) announced that transformers were upgraded today at the WWTP and water works and invited anyone desiring a tour to call him; (d) said Issert continues its work on the Will Road sanitary sewer; (e) thanked Marney Simon for her Braidwood Journal commentary.

Cmmr. Tessler (a) said he, City Attorney Pyles, and Chief Girot held one contract negotiating session with Teamsters Local 700, which now represents members of the Braidwood Police Department, and scheduled another session for Nov. 8; (b) noted Trick or Treating is Mon., Oct. 31, Halloween Day, and encouraged all to be cautious; (c) reported he's received requests for a street light at South Center and Route 53 and will contact ComEd.

Planning & Zoning

Chairperson Michelle Serena said the Planning & Zoning Board's next meeting will be November 7, 2011, preceded by a Public Hearing that evening on Mark Waldick's proposal.

Old Business

Cmmr. Hutton said an agreement with Exelon on a sewer and water extension should be ready for the next council meeting on Nov. 7, 2011.

New Business

Cmmr. Tessler will proceed on Chief Girot's suggestion that speed limit signs are needed on North English and on Center Street. Chief Girot said he and Cmmr. Graf have observed increased traffic on the south end of North Center. He asked if TIF funds could be used to address the situation as part of the city's intergovernmental agreement with Reed Township.

Executive Session

None.

Mayor Rulien asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion made by Cmmr. Tessler, seconded by Cmmr. Hutton, and adopted: 5 ayes (Hibler, Hutton, Graf, Tessler, Rulien), 0 nays.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Approved this 8th day of November 2011

Mayor

Patrick McGuire City Clerk