

CITY OF BRAIDWOOD AGENDA
Special Meeting, Monday, December 28nd, 2020 @ 7:00pm

I. Call to Order

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Roll Call by City Clerk **James Mikel, Jr.** **Doug Money**
 Wayne Saltzman **Fay Smith**
 Robert Jones

IV. Public Comment: State your full name and spell your last name. Section 2-34 of the Braidwood Code of Ordinances imposes a three (3) minute limit for each person during public comment.

VI. APPOINTMENT OF CITY CLERK

1. Appoint of City Clerk

VII. APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE FOR THE LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF TAXES

1. Approve an Ordinance for the Levy and Assessment of Taxes for the City of Braidwood, Will County, Illinois for the Fiscal Year Beginning May 1, 2020 and Ending April 30, 2021

VII. Regular City Council Meeting is Tuesday, January 12th, 2021 at 7:00pm

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Amended 12-28-20 Agenda

**Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Braidwood City Council Monday, December 28th, 2020
Braidwood City Hall 141 W. Main St., Braidwood, IL 60408**

Call to Order: The Special Meeting of the Braidwood City Council on December 28th, 2020 was called to order at 7:00 p.m., by Mayor Jones in the Council Chambers of the Braidwood City Hall.

Pledge of Allegiance: Mayor Jones requested all rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Upon Roll Call by the Clerk, the following members of the corporate authorities answered "Here" or "Present";

Elected Officials;

Present: Commissioner Saltzman, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Money
and Mayor Jones

Absent: Commissioner James Mikel, Jr.

Appointed Officials:

Present: Chief Lyons, City Administrator Altiery, City Attorney Wellner, and City Accountant Kyle Kasperek via telephone.

Absent: City Engineer Dave Weber

Quorum: There being sufficient members of the corporate authorities in attendance to constitute a quorum, the meeting was declared in order.

Public Comment: None

Approval of Minutes: None to approve until the Regular Meeting of the City Council on January 12th, 2021

Mayor's Report: Mayor Jones expressed his desire to make an appointment of to the Office of the City Clerk. Mayor Jones asked for a motion to appoint Adam Beaty as City Clerk. Commissioner Money made the motion to approve Adam Beaty for City Clerk. Commissioner Saltzman seconded the motion. City Attorney Wellner asked for any discussion.

City Administrator Altiery asked Beaty to approach the microphone. Altiery discussed Beaty's qualifications as a college graduate literate in Microsoft computer applications, his has previous experience as a police officer for the past 5 years. Altiery further explained the Clerk position is a key role to fill especially given the Tax Levy and other important issues that arise come calendar year-end. Altiery opened the floor to any questions officials may have.

Commissioner Saltzman expressed the desire to sit with Beaty privately and have a discussion. Saltzman stated he would reach out and set a time at a later date.

Commissioner Smith asked for clarification on the selection. Altiery explained the need for a Clerk due to the need to post the tax levy by 4:00 pm December 29th, among other things the Clerk is needed for. Smith wanted to ensure no steps were skipped but assured his vote in support.

City Attorney Wellner clarified the appointment was posted to the agenda. Commissioner Saltzman stated he did not see it on the agenda but he noted it was possible he overlooked it.

The council voted to approve Adam Beaty as the Braidwood City Clerk 4 ayes (Saltzman, Smith, Money, Jones); 0 nays.

Administrator Report: City Administrator Altieri asked City Accountant Kyle Kasperek to explain the Tax Levy and the justification for the 4% sought.

Kasperek explained the City sought to levy 4% as was done in the year prior. The City could levy for up to 5%, however exceeding 5% would require a public hearing so it was decided to remain at the 4%.

Commissioner Money asked Kasperek about salaries and if increases were projected given the ongoing contract negotiations for contracted employees.

Commissioner Saltzman and Commissioner Money discussed the need to put the money back into the water department that was moved to the general fund during the previous administration. Saltzman expressed the possibilities of raising fees in the city to make up the for the budgetary shortfall.

Commissioner Saltzman made the motion to the approve the Tax Levy Ordinance for the City of Braidwood, County of Will, for the Fiscal Year May 2020 to April 2021. Commissioner Money seconded the motion. Motioned carried 4 ayes (Saltzman, Money, Smith, Jones); 0 nays.

Note – this is not a new tax levy. The tax levy was due to be voted on back in May of 2020 however, due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the issue was delayed.

City Clerk Report: N/A

Engineer Report: N/A

Chief of Police: N/A

City Attorney Report: N/A

Accounts & Finance Report: N/A

Streets & Public Improvement Report: N/A

Public Property Report:

Public Health & Safety Report: N/A

Planning & Zoning Report: N/A

Old Business: None

New Business: Mayor Jones administered the Oath of Office for the newly appointed City Clerk, Adam Beaty

Adjournment: Commissioner Saltzman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Money, to adjourn the December 28th, 2020 special meeting of the Braidwood City Council. Motion carried with 4 ayes: 0

nays (Saltzman, Smith, Money and Jones). The next regular meeting of the City Council will be held January 12th, 2021 at 7:00pm

Approved this 12th day of January, 2021.



Mayor



City Clerk

