

BREESE CITY COUNCIL MEETING * SEPTEMBER 2, 2014

AGENDA

1. PROCLAMATION – Proclaim September 19-21, 2014 as “Helping Citizens With Intellectual Disabilities Days”. Knights of Columbus Annual Fund Drive.
2. PROCLAMATION – Proclaim September 7-13, 2014 as “Direct Support Professionals Recognition Week” in recognition of the dedication of direct support professionals in enhancing the lives of individuals with disabilities of all ages.
3. ZONING REQUEST OF JEFF JUNG – Findings of Fact and Conclusions of the City Council for the Special Use Permit filed by Jeff Jung. It grants him a home occupation to operate his business of repairing golf carts and small engines. The permit to be reviewed on an annual basis to ensure compliance. Property located at 657 South 2nd St.
4. ZONING ORDINANCE – Grants the application for a Special Use Permit filed by Jeff Jung.
5. HIRE STREET DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEE – Jason Albers.

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Minutes of the proceeding of the 33rd Regular Meeting of the Breese City Council held in City Hall on the above date.

Mayor Charles E. Hilmes called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Aldermen in attendance: Robert Berndsen, Bill Fischer, Debbie Koetting, Carl Ratermann, Paul Steinman, Norb Tebbe, Kevin Timmermann, Gary Usselmann.

City Officials: Utility Plant Operations Manager Dale Detmer, Public Works Manager Don Voss, Police Chief Bob Fix, City Attorney Joanne Stevenson, EMS Director Michael Berndsen, Zoning Administrator John Becker.

Press: Vicky Albers, Breese Journal.

Visitors: Tom Knebel, Sharon Knebel, Ron Clark, Steve Timmermann, Raymond Brosch, Kendra Ripperda, Beverly Badgett, Austin Hunt, Kalyn Adams, Joey Kendall, Morgan Adams.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Motion by Usselmann seconded by Berndsen to approve the minutes of the meetings held on August 18 & 19, 2014 and place on file. Motion Carried by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Steinman seconded by Tebbe to authorize payment of the bills submitted. On Roll Call Voting "aye": Tebbe, Timmermann, Usselmann, Berndsen, Fischer, Koetting, Ratermann, Steinman. Motion Carried.

Motion by Koetting seconded by Ratermann to approve the Mayor's Proclamation proclaiming September 19th thru 21st as "Helping Citizens With Intellectual Disabilities Days" as presented by Knights of Columbus members Raymond Brosch, Ron Clark and Steve Timmermann. On Roll Call Voting "aye": Timmermann, Usselmann, Berndsen, Fischer, Koetting, Ratermann, Steinman, Tebbe. Motion Carried.

Motion by Timmermann seconded by Berndsen to approve the Mayor's Proclamation proclaiming September 7-13, 2014 as "Direct Support Professionals Recognition Week" in recognition of the dedication of direct support professionals in enhancing the lives of individuals with disabilities of all ages. On Roll Call Voting "aye": Usselmann, Berndsen, Fischer, Koetting, Ratermann, Steinman, Tebbe, Timmermann. Motion Carried.

GENERAL BUSINESS (continued):

Motion by Fischer seconded by Tebbe to approve the letter carriers "Satchel Drive" which benefits MDA on September 25th from 4-7 p.m. On Roll Call Voting "aye": Berndsen, Fischer, Koetting, Ratermann, Steinman, Tebbe, Timmermann, Usselmann. Motion Carried.

ZONING/BUILDING INSPECTION:

The Council considered the request of Jeff Jung for a Special Use Permit. He wants to operate a repair shop for golf carts and small engines at his home located at 657 S. 2nd St. The zoning board approved the request at a hearing on August 21st with conditions: that he remove all golf carts from his front yard to an alternate storage location within 90 days of the date of the Ordinance granting his request; that he comply with the requirements of Section 40-6-5 of the Zoning Code; and that the Permit be reviewed on an annual basis to ensure compliance.

Tom Knebel, a neighbor who lives across the street from Jung, objected to the request. He felt the business would be detrimental to the neighborhood and would be an eyesore. The matter of alternate storage was brought up. Compliance would be monitored by the zoning administrator and police.

Mayor Hilmes felt since Jung was not present at the meeting to answer additional questions, that it should be referred back to the zoning board for another hearing.

Motion by Steinman seconded by Timmermann to table the Findings of Fact and the Zoning Ordinance and send the zoning request back to the zoning board for further discussion. On Roll Call Voting "aye": Koetting, Ratermann, Steinman, Tebbe, Timmermann, Usselmann, Berndsen. Voting "nay": Fischer. Motion Carried. Alderman Fischer stated he voted no because he wanted action to deny the request.

Zoning Administrator John Becker commented that there was no misunderstanding concerning the Jung zoning matter when the hearing ended on August 21.

PUBLIC WORKS-STREET/DRAINAGE:

Motion by Timmermann seconded by Steinman to hire Jason Albers as a full-time employee in the street department. The effective starting date is September 15. There were 29 applicants for the job and three were interviewed. On Roll Call Voting "aye": Ratermann, Steinman, Tebbe, Timmermann, Usselmann, Berndsen, Fischer, Koetting. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Alderman Fischer mentioned the Dare Motorcycle Ride on September 14th and said riders and sponsorships are still being accepted. The proceeds benefits the City's Dare Program.

Those who have unwanted or unused medication can drop them off at the police department on September 27th from 10 am – 2 pm.

Some of the proceeds from the EMS Golf Scramble were used to purchase a new lift chair for the ambulance department.

RECREATION:

Alderman Ratermann reported that specs are being prepared to replace the filters at the swim pool.

The next park board meeting is scheduled for September 24th at 7 p.m. in City Hall. This will be the last park board meeting of the year.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Steinman seconded by Usselmann to adjourn after no further business was brought before the Council. Motion Carried by unanimous voice vote.

The meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Non-verbatim minutes taken by: _____
Robert J. Venhaus, City Clerk