

DEPARTMENT MEETING

DATE: 7-16-15

PURPOSE: TO INFORM MAYOR, CITY COUNCIL, AND OTHER SUPERVISORS OF ONGOING & UPCOMING PROJECTS THAT AFFECTS THE RESIDENTS OF THE CITY OF BREESE.

UTILITIES:

- Sewer updates – planned improvements
- Testing – what are best practices
- IMUA/IMEA meeting at doubletree in Collinsville at 6:30 pm

PUBLIC WORKS:

- Rock and oiling
- Small projects being done
- Walnut at the overpass – County willing to work with on this project if we can provide some of the labor.

POLICE:

- Is there a need for part time officers? – If so, how do we go about hiring some?
- Update on properties in need of maintenance

RECREATION:

- Golf course budgets and revenue -
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BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR:

- Enterprise Zone update
- Retaining business

CITY CLERK:

- Appropriation Ordinance
- City Clerk/Collector changes??

AMBULANCE:

- Ambulance Community Outreach – July 26, 2015
- Ambulance Scramble Aug 1, 2015

ZONING:

- Foppe hearing notice – Amend the zoning of 366 N. 2nd St. from R-1 to C-1
- Toni Garcia – Special Use for dog grooming business at 1280 Ellwood Dr.

MAYOR:

- Margo Meissner house
- C.D.I. conference in Moline 8-10-15 to 8-13-15
- IML conference – 9-17-15 to 9-19-15; 4 Council members are allowed to go if they wish
- TIF conference – 9-16-15 to 9-17-15
- Railroad property
- Supervisors salary negotiations

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING * JULY 20, 2015

Minutes of the finance committee meeting of the Breese City Council held in City Hall on the above date. The meeting commenced at 7:00 p.m.

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

City Officials: Mayor Charles E. Hilmes, Utility Plant Operations Manager Dale Detmer, Public Works Manager Don Voss, City Business Administrator Tim Schleper, EMS Director Michael Berndsen.

The Council reviewed the bills to be paid. Copies of the city clerk and city treasurer reports for June were distributed at the July 7th Council meeting.

The Council went over the attached agenda prepared by Mayor Hilmes. The following is action taken relative to the agenda or other matters discussed.

1. IMEA/IMUA Meeting. August 13th at 6:30 p.m. in Collinsville.
2. Upgrade Sewer Plant and East Lift Station. HMG Engineers currently working on both projects.
3. Testing of three different ditches/lakes: JayCee Lake, Lake north of Lakeview Drive; and three locations at the Breese East Subdivision Lake. One in front of the lift station; another just past lift station, and in the middle of Breese East Lake. Testing will continue to determine the affect of pumping of sewer at the east lift station.
4. Additional police officer/part-time police officers. Council agreed no hiring of an additional officer until the work comp claim of Officer Fitzgerald has been settled. The matter of part-time wages to be discussed with the police chief.
5. Dilapidated/unkept properties. City attorney is working on them.
6. Golf budget/revenues. The projections show the golf fund to be in the red at the end of the year. The recreation committee to meet and discuss changing the course where only nine holes are maintained. Currently, with the alternate course setup, eleven holes are maintained.
7. Swim Pool. A permit is being sought to change the chlorination system.
8. Business retention. The matter of establishing another TIF area to accommodate a business to expand and build in Breese is being studied. Part of TIF #1 would be deleted and included in the new TIF.

- 9. **City Clerk/City Collector.** The matter of re-structuring the personnel in the city clerk office upon the retirement of current city clerk Robert Venhaus was discussed. Council in general agreement to make the next city clerk a part-time position and changing the responsibilities of the city collector. The matter to be discussed with the city attorney.

- 10. **Meissner Property.** The Mayor was given authority to make an offer on the property of the late Robert and Dorothy Meissner, located just east of city hall.

- 11. **Supervisor Salaries.** The contracts for the salary employees and hourly worker expire in November 2015. Council decided to do raises of the salary employees first. The proposed increase in salaries was discussed. Mayor Hilmes to notify them of the offer.

The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

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