# BREESE CITY COUNCIL MEETING \* JUNE 16, 2015

# **AGENDA**

- 1. <u>PREVAILING WAGE ORDINANCE</u> Ascertaining the prevailing rate of wages for construction work as determined by the Department of Labor as of June 2015.
- 2. McCAIN ZONING VARIANCE REQUEST Findings of Fact and Conclusions of the City Council relative to the Petition for Zoning Variance filed by Connie L. McCain.
- 3. McCAIN ZONING ORDINANCE Granting the request of a Zoning Variance filed by Connie L. McCain. It relaxes the 25' minimum setback line for front and side lot lines on corner lots for residences in MH-1 Districts to 6' for the side lot line and 11' for the front lot line. Property located at 690 N. 1st Street.

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Minutes of the proceeding of the 4<sup>th</sup> 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, Chris Hamilton, Debbie Koetting, Carl Ratermann, Paul Steinman, 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, Zoning Administrator John Becker.

Press: Vicky Albers, Breese Journal.
Philip Sledge, Centralia Sentinel.
Josh Jones, Centralia Sentinel.

Visitors: Connie McCain, Beth Ricciardi, Alicia Davis.

#### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

Motion by Steinman seconded by Berndsen to approve the minutes of the meeting held on June 2<sup>nd</sup> and place on file. Motion Carried by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Koetting seconded by Hamilton to authorize payment of the bills submitted at the finance meeting. Further, to approve the city clerk and city treasurer reports for May. On Roll Call Voting "aye": Berndsen, Fischer, Hamilton, Koetting, Ratermann, Steinman, Timmermann, Usselmann. Motion Carried.

Beth Ricciardi and Alicia Davis of the Hannah's Playground Committee addressed the Council. Beth commented that after 5 years the playground is now a reality and the Grand Opening is set for June 21<sup>st</sup>, rain or shine. She said the support of the community was absolutely outstanding and also thanked city forces for their exceptional work and cooperation.

Beth stated the next phase is setting up a maintenance account to assure it's kept up to high standards. Mayor Hilmes said the account will be established upon consultation with the city attorney.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

#### **ZONING/BUILDING INSPECTION:**

Motion by Steinman seconded by Timmermann to approve the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of the City Council relative to the Petition for Zoning Variance filed by Connie L. McCain. On Roll Call Voting "aye": Fischer, Hamilton, Koetting, Ratermann, Steinman, Timmermann, Usselmann, Berndsen. Motion Carried.

Motion by Steinman seconded by Usselmann to pass Ordinance #1323 as presented. It grants the request of a Zoning Variance filed by Connie L. McCain. It relaxes the 25' minimum setback line for front and side lot lines on corner lots for residences in MH-1 District to 6' for the side lot line; and 11' for the front lot line. The property is located at 690 N. 1<sup>st</sup> Street. On Roll Call Voting "aye": Hamilton, Koetting, Ratermann, Steinman, Timmermann, Usselmann, Berndsen, Fischer. Motion Carried.

#### FINANCE:

Motion by Koetting seconded by Steinman to pass Ordinance #1324 as presented. It ascertains the prevailing rate of wages for construction work in the Clinton County area as determined by the Department of Labor as of June 2015. On Roll Call Voting "aye": Koetting, Ratermann, Steinman, Timmermann, Usselmann, Berndsen, Fischer, Hamilton. Motion Carried.

### **PUBLIC WORKS – UTILITIES:**

Alderman Berndsen noted that the water department is still flushing hydrants and should finish up this week.

#### PUBLIC SAFETY:

Mayor Hilmes complimented Police Chief Bob Fix and the police department for making sure properties are cleaned up and notifying property owners of dilapidated buildings that need attention.

#### RECREATION:

Alderman Ratermann stated the Council has agreed to initially install three (3) handicapped parking spaces by Hannah's Playground. Also, the Council has adopted a 30 minute rule relative to thunder and lightning. All activities at the park, including ball games and Clinton County Showcase events, must stop for 30 minutes once lightning has been detected. Notices have been sent to the different ball leagues and Showcase.

## **OLD/NEW BUSINESS:**

Mayor Hilmes stated the State has cut funds for the LIHEAP Program, which is administered by BCMW. This is a program that helps low income families with their heating bills. BCMW has distributed Petitions around town for people to sign asking the State to restore funding.

#### **ADJOURNMENT:**

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

The meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

Non-verbatim minutes taken by:

Robert J. Venhaus, City Clerk