

FINANCE MEETING

DATE: 5-18-15

TOPICS PREPARED FROM DEPARTMENT MEETING: 5-14-15

UTILITIES:

- Sewer project update
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PUBLIC WORKS:

- Hannah's Playground progress & cost of cameras for playground area
- Holy Cross bid specs
- Complete Mater Dei retention project
- Walnut St. from N. 1<sup>st</sup> St. to N. Broadway
- Getting back to local drainage, curbing, and street projects for 2016

POLICE:

- Letter to Duane Richter – unauthorized business in residential area.
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RECREATION:

- Pool rate increases
- Pool filter project and painting of building –permit from health dept.
- Cameras for Hannah's Playground

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR:

- Enterprise Zone update
- Haag's loan
- Submit OSLAD grant papers

CITY CLERK:

- Budgets for 2015-2016
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AMBULANCE:

- Replace pumps on ambulance
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ZONING:

- May 21, 2015 – Jim Hummert’s hearing on lot size in commercial area
- Angie Holtgrave letter – non-conforming lot
- McCain variance

MAYOR’S REPORT:

- Bruegge easement – vacating alley from 1990
- Website updating –putting city forms on the website
- Consultant update
- City Clerk office - future

**FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING \* MAY 18, 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, EMS Director Michael Berndsen.

The Council reviewed the bills to be paid. Copies of the city clerk and city treasurer reports for April were distributed at the May 5<sup>th</sup> Council meeting.

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

1. **Sewer Plant Upgrade.** HMG Engineering updating the plans. Information should be available in the Fall.
2. **Holy Cross Lane East Culvert Replacement Project.** Bid Opening held April 28<sup>th</sup>. Low Bidders were County Materials Corporation and Kohnen Concrete Products. Council in agreement to waive the proposal guaranty for Kohnen Concrete Products. Bids to be approved at May 19<sup>th</sup> Council meeting.
3. **Railroad Ditch at Walnut Street Crossing.** Council authorized the City Attorney to send letter to the Railroad about the erosion on the east side of Walnut Street causing an unsafe condition.
4. **Swim Pool Rates.** Council approved slight increases.
5. **Security Cameras at Hannah's Playground.** Council approved the bid from Jim's Sales & Service for \$5,700.
6. **Enterprise Zone Application.** A public hearing is required. State will make a decision this Fall.
7. **Swim Pool Filter Replacement Project.** Illinois Department of Public Health inspected the project last Friday and approved it.
8. **Haag Foods Excessive dust.** Mayor Hilmes to contact Haag about the matter.
9. **Little Prairie Estates Subdivision.** Council reviewed and on agenda for May 19<sup>th</sup> meeting for approval.

10. Relief Sewer Project. Two Change Orders to the contract of Haier Plumbing & Heating on the agenda for May 19<sup>th</sup> Council meeting.
11. HMG Task Order #10. On agenda for May 19<sup>th</sup> Council meeting.
12. General Fund Budget for Fiscal 2016. Council reviewed the preliminary budgets. No final action until the State makes a decision on how much they will cut the LGDF monies.
13. Ambulance Replacement Pumps. Council approved the purchase.
14. Angie Holtgrave zoning issue. Council agreed to give her 90 days to rectify the matter.
15. Bruegge Furniture alley vacation. Previously approved in 1988. Appears all the easements required were granted. Council agreed to sign the document to vacate the alley so the title is clean in order for Mike Bruegge to sell the property.
16. City Clerk Office. Mayor asked the Council to give some thought on how to structure the city clerk office when City Clerk Robert Venhaus retires in 2017.

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Non-verbatim minutes taken by:

  
Robert J. Venhaus, City Clerk