

BREESE CITY COUNCIL MEETING * JANUARY 5, 2016

AGENDA

1. No items on the agenda.

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Minutes of the proceeding of the 17th 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: Utility Plant Operations Manager Dale Detmer, Public Works Manager Don Voss, City Business Administrator Tim Schleper, Police Chief Bob Fix, City Attorney Joanne Stevenson, EMS Director Michael Berndsen.

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

Visitors: Andy Garcia.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Motion by Steinman seconded by Berndsen to approve the minutes of the meetings held on December 14 & 15, 2015 and place on file. Motion Carried by unanimous voice vote.

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PUBLIC WORKS – STREETS/DRAINAGE:

Alderman Timmermann reported that the drainage work on North 1st Street should be completed by City forces by the end of the week. Supply Industrial Solutions, Inc., contractor for the North First Street Improvement Project, can then start their project. Their project consists of sidewalks, drainage and curbing on North 1st Street between Walnut and Haag Streets. The project is being done to satisfy the relief sewer grant project requirements.

Mayor Hilmes reported he and Don Voss attended a meeting regarding the Breese/Germantown Urban Cluster regarding roads. A designated road(s) will have to be approved by the Federal government in order to be eligible for funding. It will be about 2-3 years before the project comes aboard.

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PUBLIC SAFETY:

Alderman Fischer asked that owners of pets keep them on a leash or secured in their yard for their safety. Also, to keep pets in a warm environment during harsh weather.

Police Chief Bob Fix commented that the holidays went by without incident.

RECREATION:

Alderman Ratermann stated the first park board meeting of the 2016 season is scheduled for January 27th at 7 p.m. in city hall. Organizations who plan on holding events should attend the meeting for approval.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS & GROUNDS:

Alderman Usselman reported meetings have been held with the civic organizations regarding the purchase of an electronic message sign. The next meeting is scheduled for January 25th at 7 p.m. in the K.C. Hall.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor spoke on the severe flooding that occurred around the County and especially the Rod & Gun Club area. He thanked those who helped those in need. He cited Gov. Rauner for declaring Clinton County a disaster area; State Rep. Charlie Meier, U.S. Rep. Shimkus, Clinton County EMA Director Tim Schleper; and the American Red Cross.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

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