

BREESE CITY COUNCIL MEETING * May 16, 2017AGENDA

1. MFT BID OPENING. Approve award of bid for road oiling to JTC Petroleum @ \$315.05/ton, for a total bid of \$39,696.30.
2. BICYCLE SAFETY - May 20, 2017 @ 9:30 A.M.
3. PARK BOARD MEETING – May 24, 2017 @ 7:00 P.M.
4. HEALTH & WELFARE/INSURANCE COMMITTEE MEETING - JUNE 6, 2017 @ 6:30 P.M.
5. GOLF CAMP – MAY 28, 2017 @ 8:30 A.M.
6. NEIL DETMER SUBORDINATION AGREEMENT – Agreement from Germantown Bank for Neil Detmer dba Detmer Automotive, referencing our 2nd mortgage from Revolving Loan Fund.
7. APPROVE POLICE CAR PURCHASE – Approve the purchase of (2) police cars. One from general fund, one from Police Drug & Alcohol fund.
8. TRAVEL FORMS - Approve elected officials “travel approval” forms.

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Minutes of the proceeding of the 2nd 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 7:32 P.M.

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

Absent: None.

City Officials: Utility Plant Operations Manager Dale Detmer, Public Works Manager Don Voss, City Business Administrator Tim Schleper, Chief of Police Bob Fix, City Attorney Joanne Stevenson, Golf Course Superintendent Paul Smith.

Press: Vicki Albers, Breese Journal
Liz Dowell Carlyle Union Banner/Centralia Sentinel

Visitors: Former Mayor Don Maue, Allen Huelsmann, Bryce Harre, Griffin Menkhaus, Kaleb Hill, Valerie Tebbe, Jordan Ricklefs, Caleb Duke, Aaron Blumenstein, Ben Rakers, Tyler Malone, Michael Berndsen

GENERAL BUSINESS

Motion by Usselmann seconded by Timmermann to approve the minutes of the meeting held on May 2, 2017 and place on file. Motion Carried by unanimous voice vote.

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

A group of students for government class for Central High School were present to observe.

Allen Huelsmann was present to comment on Police Department concerns.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PUBLIC WORKS - STREET/DRAINAGE:

Motion by Timmermann seconded by Usselmann to approve award of bid for road oiling to JTC Petroleum @ \$315.05/ton, for a total bid of \$39,696.30. On Roll Call Voting "aye": Koetting, Ratermann, Steinman, Timmermann, Usselmann, Berndsen, Fischer, Hamilton. Motion Carried.

Alderman Timmermann also stated that the Street Department would be working on Holy Cross Lane, finishing the project.

Mayor Hilmes noted that some grass seeding will follow, more to take place in the fall.

PUBLIC WORKS - PUBLIC BUILDINGS:

Alderman Usselmann stated that the city will be replacing 60 chairs at the activity center. Old chairs will be going to the Ambulance Department.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Motion by Fischer seconded by Berndsen to approve the purchase of (2) police cars. One from the General Fund Police Budget, and one from Police Drug & Alcohol Fund. They will be trading in 3 vehicles to assist with the purchase of 2. On Roll Call Voting "aye": Ratermann, Steinman, Timmermann, Usselmann, Berndsen, Fischer, Hamilton, Koetting. Motion Carried.

Alderman Fischer stated that a Bicycle Safety Course would be held on May 20, 2017 @ 9:30 A.M. at City Hall. Registration is at 9 A.M. All grade school children are welcome.

Alderman Fisher set a reminder that golf cart permits are due for renewal. This can be done at the Police Department. Please call if no longer own carts.

Chief of Police Bob Fix noted that Hot Dog days will be coming - the police department will provide hot dogs and snacks to school children on last days of school. Funded by DARE fund.

RECREATION:

Alderman Ratermann stated that the next Park Board Meeting will be held on May 24, 2017 at 7:00 P.M. and that they are staying busy taking care of the parks right now.

Alderman Ratermann also stated that a golf camp will be held on May 28, 2017 @ 8:30 A.M. at Bent Oak. Ages 9-13 are eligible to participate. There will be a Slugger Slam tournament at the golf course this weekend.

Mayor Hilmes added that there is a possibility of doing an addition to the clubhouse at Bent Oak. Plans have been drawn and the city will be seeking bids. Will determine if moving forward once bids have been received.

Alderman Ratermann noted that the swimming pool is being painted right now and is due to open Memorial Day.

HEALTH & WELFARE:

Alderman Hamilton stated that the next Health & Welfare/Insurance Committee meeting will be held on June 6, 2017 at 6:30 P.M at City Hall.

FINANCE:

Motion by Koetting seconded by Usselmann to pass the Neil Detmer Subordination Agreement - this is an agreement from Germantown Bank for Neil Detmer, dba Detmer Automotive, referencing our 2nd mortgage from Revolving Loan Fund. On Roll Call Voting "aye": Hamilton, Koetting, Ratermann, Steinman, Timmermann, Usselmann, Berndsen, Fischer. Motion Carried.

Alderman Koetting stated that they are currently reviewing budgets - all have been received from heads of departments.

Motion by Koetting seconded by Usselmann to approve elected officials "travel approval" forms. Mayor Hilmes referenced a new law passed by the state of Illinois, stating that approval is needed for council members to attend meetings outside of those held in Breese City Hall. The council members have all filled out these forms, requesting permission to attend certain meetings as well as obtain reimbursement for certain expenses related to these meetings. Mayor Hilmes referenced the IL Municipal League Meetings, ITIA Conferences, etc. as examples of these meetings. On Roll Call Voting "aye": Steinman, Timmermann, Usselmann, Berndsen, Fischer, Hamilton, Koetting Ratermann. Motion Carried.

UTILITIES:

Alderman Berndsen announced that as of June 1st, water department will be going to Chlorine-Free for a period of 3-4 weeks, followed by flushing of hydrants. Note: water may be cloudy but will not be unsafe. Mayor Hilmes asked Dale Detmer to put an announcement together for the city Facebook page to inform residents.

ZONING:

No report.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS:

Mayor Hilmes wanted to make mention that CSX is still in the process of deciding how to use Breese Rail line. He has been in contact with ICC. We have received word that the rail line will be required to reinstall the lights and the arms at the crossings if they will be continuing with this project. There is a good possibility that there will be cars put on the side tracks. If they run out of room on the side tracks they may put cars on the rails.

Mayor Hilmes also mentioned today a review of Breese City Code in regards to the rules of city meetings. All meetings are open to the public and the press. We do not have closed meetings unless they pertain to personnel issues. The city of Breese follows the laws of the state of Illinois. Public commentary is allowed, limited to a certain amount of time. Any resident of the City of Breese who wishes to know what is going on within the town government may request information. All they need to do is come to city hall to fill out a FOIA request form. They can also call a council member with questions.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:59 P.M.

Non-verbatim minutes taken by:



Erin Wagoner, City Clerk

