

CITY OF BREESE MEETING AGENDA

DATE: SEPTEMBER 19, 2023

- CALL TO ORDER
- ROLL CALL
- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF LAST MEETING
- MOTION TO APPROVE PAYING BILLS, CITY COLLECTOR & TREASURER REPORT
- PUBLIC COMMENT
 1. Clearwave – Nathan Colombo

- COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - FINANCE/Bryan Eversgerd:

 - UTILITIES/Bob Berndsen:

 - PUBLIC WORKS/Carl Ratermann:
 1. Agreement for Improvements between Clinton County & City of Breese, of County Hwy 11 (North Walnut Street) at intersection of North 12th Street.

 - PUBLIC SAFETY/Tim Schleper:
 1. Code Red

 - RECREATION/Jason Davinroy:

 - PUBLIC BUILDINGS/Gary Usselmann:



- ZONING/Bill Fischer:

- HEALTH/Suann Fields:

- MAYOR'S REPORT:

- OLD BUSINESS

- NEW BUSINESS



- ADJOURNMENT

BREESE CITY COUNCIL MEETING * SEPTEMBER 19, 2023

Minutes of the 10th Regular Meeting of the Breese City Council held on the above date.

Aldermen in attendance: Jason Davinroy, Bryan Eversgerd, Suann Fields (at 7:32 PM), Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Gary Usselmann. Absent: Robert Berndsen, Tim Schleper.

City Officials: Public Works Mgr. Don Voss, Street Mgr. Tom Tebbe, EMS Operations Mgr. Allen Pollmann, Police Chief Mark Berndsen.

Press: Bryan Hunt, Breese Journal
Chris Streeman, Union Banner

Visitors: Ann & Ken James, Kevin Grapperhaus, Nathan Colombo, Ken Schonhoff, Jessica & Matthew Cassady, Josh Bernardini, Chris Trame.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Motion by Eversgerd, second by Davinroy to approve the minutes of the meeting held on September 5, 2023, and place on file. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Eversgerd, second by Davinroy to authorize payment of the bills, City Collector and City Treasurer Report. On roll call voting "aye": Ratermann, Usselmann, Davinroy, Eversgerd, Fischer. Absent: Berndsen, Fields, Schleper. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Nathan Colombo with Clearwave attended to let the council and public know he has been communicating with Alderman Eversgerd, regarding problems caused by Clearwave during the installation process. They have had some restructuring within the company, which has caused a delay, but he will be working to resolve any restoration issues we have. He will continue to work on this and hopefully get a resolution soon.

Ken Schonhoff spoke for a group from Vossclare subdivision regarding a ditch near Lakeview Drive that has standing water. He stated the ditch was designed to be a waterway, not a lake. They feel this is a concern for the neighborhood as mosquitoes and snakes are residing there. He stated it is also a danger to the children in the neighborhood. Mayor Timmermann stated the city will investigate this matter, but there are other open ditches in town, and we do not have the funds to fix all of them. It will be taken into consideration but cannot promise any immediate resolution. Mr. Schonhoff stated they would like to see a concrete swale installed at the bottom of the ditch, which would allow grass to be cut up to the concrete. Mayor Timmermann stated that it will be referred to the public works committee.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE:

No report.

UTILITIES:

No report.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Motion by Ratermann, second by Davinroy the approve an agreement for improvements between Clinton County & the City of Breese, of County Hwy 11 (North Walnut St.) at the intersection of North 12th street. The approval is contingent upon final approval from the State’s Attorney. On roll call voting “aye”: Usselmann, Davinroy, Eversgerd, Fields, Fischer, Ratermann. Absent: Berndsen, Schleper. Motion carried.

Mayor Timmermann explained the improvement is a roundabout on Walnut Street, to alleviate traffic backup at N. 12th and Walnut Streets.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Alderman Usselmann asked Chief Berndsen to explain the new Code Red notification. Berndsen stated it is an upgrade to the current system. Everyone can go to breese.org, under “emergency notifications” to sign up to receive notifications directly from the National Weather Service for tornado warnings, storm warnings, snowstorm warnings, etc. Berndsen stated we currently have 341 people signed up and encouraged all citizens to sign up so everyone can stay safe.

RECREATION:

Alderman Davinroy reported the next park board meeting is on September 27th at 6:00 PM, and the location will be at the northwest corner of the park. The dog park committee will have the areas marked at both the North Park and the Soccer Park for the proposed dog park location.

The Optimist Fallfest is on September 30th. This is an all- day event with bands, chili cookoff, brew contest, bounce houses and many more activities. It is a good time, and everyone is urged to attend.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS:

No report.

HEALTH:

Fall clean up day is scheduled for October 14th from 9:00 – 3:00 at the street department.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Timmermann reported that K&J had their grand opening this past Saturday and they had a great turnout. He also stated that Joe's Pizza will be coming to town soon next to Scooters Coffee.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:


None.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Eversgerd, second by Ratermann to adjourn after no further business was brought before the Council. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:03 PM.

Non-verbatim minutes taken by:


Sandy Hemann, City Clerk