

FINANCE MEETING

DATE: March 18

TOPICS PREPARED FROM DEPARTMENT MEETING: Mar. 14

PUBLIC COMMENT:

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UTILITIES:

- Policy on City employees cutting down and trimming trees. Any questions
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PUBLIC WORKS:

- Set date for Public Works meeting. Mar 26 at 7pm, if that works. Topics Holy Cross East, ADA project, downtown project, Mater Dei Dr.
- 3 Diamond Street – any questions?
- Breese Northern water district
- Leasing a backhoe and buying a new dump truck

POLICE:

- FOP contract signed
- Bring part time pay to \$20/hr.
- Grant for 2 new cameras on cars
- ILEAS conference Mar. 24-26
- New police car

RECREATION:

- Park Board meeting Mar. 27, 7pm, City Hall
- Pool rate increase. Looking at increasing rates
- 25th Anniversary promotions: Mar. 24, Apr. 27 June 7

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR:

- Mar. 19, 6:30pm, City Hall - Public hearing for ADA project
- 3 Diamond update on 12 St. expansion – contract between Raebers and 3 Diamond
- First Net – AT&T update of our phones – Mar. 19, 9-noon
- Potential future TIF
- Retail Recruitment update – Mar. 28 & Mar. 30 meeting with Chamber
- Changes audit will bring to each department

CITY COLLECTOR:

- Cemetery changes – cremation and allowing more than one urn per grave site. St. Dominic allows up to 4ds plaque for each
- Budgets – equipment needs

AMBULANCE:

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MAYOR'S REPORT:

- Leaf Dump – open from Mar. 23 to Apr. 28, only Sat. and Sun.
- Illinois South Tourism – 1 min videos produced for towns, or groups and price list
- Military Affairs Committee – I have been asked to serve on the legislative and education committees. Will mean attending committee meetings in Shiloh and on base.
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FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING * March 18, 2019

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: Paul Steinman, Debbie Koetting, Bill Fischer, Kevin Timmermann, Jason Davinroy, Robert Berndsen, Carl Ratermann, Gary Usselmann

Absent: Mayor Charlie Hilmes - Attending County Board Meeting

City Officials: Utility Plant Operations Manager Dale Detmer, Public Works Manager/Building Inspector Don Voss, City Collector Sandy Hemann, City Business Administrator Shelly Schadegg, City Treasurer Bob Venhaus, Zoning Administrator John Becker

Press: none

Visitors: none

Public Comment: none

1. Policy on City employees cutting down and trimming trees has not changed. Information has been posted on City Facebook page.
2. Public Works meeting on March 26 at 7pm at the Utilities Department. Topics to discuss: Holy Cross East, ADA project, downtown project, Mater Dei Drive.
3. 3 Diamond Street will not be on the agenda tomorrow night.
4. Breese Northern water district - plans are moving forward and the City is taking ownership of the water line April 1, 2019. Official agreement will be on the agenda tomorrow night.
5. Request to lease a backhoe and buy a new dump truck. Both City backhoes are 19 years old and are hardly used. Would like to sell at least one of them and then lease a New Holland for a year, but may be cost prohibitive. Will continue to research options and discuss.
6. FOP contract signed.
7. Bring part time police pay to \$20 per hour to keep up with the rest of the county. Council agreed that it is time.
8. Police Department has applied for a grant for 2 new cameras on cars.
9. ILEAS conference Mar. 24-26. Bob and Mark will be attending.
10. New police car was denied last year - would like to put it in the budget for this year. Department is requesting a pickup truck. Carlyle and New Baden recommend using a truck. Council agrees to truck as long as it fits into the budget.
11. Park Board meeting is on March 27 at 7pm at City Hall.
12. Pool rate increase. Discussed increasing rates at department meeting - rates have not raised in a number of years and, with minimum wage increases, the City needs to consider it.
13. 25th Anniversary promotions at the Golf Course: Appreciation Day after Chipping Final on March 24, April 27 will be \$25 for 9 holes of golf, a cart and a 6 pack of beer and June 7 is a live music event.

14. Mar. 19, 6:30pm, City Hall - Public hearing for ADA project for curbing, gutters and ADA ramps and sidewalks in 33 different locations that need to be made to meet compliance. HMG is reviewing the contracts now - the state has changed their guidelines. Cost may change a bit. Hopefully we have final amounts before meeting tomorrow night.
15. 3 Diamond updates on 12 Street expansion – contract between Raebers and 3 Diamond is being written.
16. First Net – AT&T update of our phones – Mar. 19, 9-noon
17. Potential future TIF - will have to connect. Since TIF 1 is expiring in 3.5 years, would like to propose a TIF that would include Schuette's area, down Germantown Road to Poettker's, the North side of 4th Street to Main Street to Old 50, over to Walnut and up to the round-a-bout. Would connect to TIF 2, TIF 3 & TIF 4. Council agrees that Shelly contact PGAV for proposal.
18. Retail Recruitment update – Mar. 28 meeting with Chamber at Luncheon at YMCA to meet with bankers, realtors and representatives from some of the larger employers. They will be back on April 30 for a dinner and a full presentation.
19. Changes audit will bring to each department - will be sent a needs list in advance.
20. Cemetery changes – cremation and allowing more than one urn per grave site. St. Dominic allows up to 6 with a plaque for each. Recommendation is to allow either (3) Urns or (1) casket and (2) urns, and require all be from the same family.
21. Budgets – Ambulance building will be paid off in July. Council reviewed proposed capital expenditures for 2019.
22. Dale Strieker is requesting to utilize a property in town as an Air BNB. Does not want to advertise, but make it available to friends and family to rent for weddings, etc. Discussion regarding what sort of zoning or permitting will be needed to approve these within the City.
23. Leaf Dump – open from Mar. 23 to Apr. 28, only on Sat. and Sun.
24. Illinois South Tourism – 1 min videos are being produced for towns, or groups \$500 + travel time. Can increase opportunities for up to \$800 plus travel time. Will receive the video rights for the website. This is the same group that did the Ski - Made in Illinois video last year. It was produced with a drone and looked great. Council agreed to multiple shoots for \$800 + travel time.
25. Military Affairs Committee – Mayor Charlie Hilmes has been asked to serve on the legislative and education committees. Will mean attending committee meetings in Shiloh and Scott Air Force Base.
26. Mark Kohnen and the HVAC company who are donating heating for Hannah's bathrooms will be out tomorrow to do some measuring.
27. Alderman Timmermann asks that the council consider a program where City employees can gift their sick time to hardship cases on a volunteer basis.

The meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Non-verbatim minutes taken by:



Erin Wagoner, City Clerk