

FINANCE MEETING

DATE: 5-20-19

TOPICS PREPARED FROM DEPARTMENT MEETING: 5-16-19

PUBLIC COMMENT:

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UTILITIES:

- IMUA/IMEA conference report
- Energy Efficiency report

PUBLIC WORKS:

- Holy Cross East update
- Rental registrations and inspections – set meeting date for rental meeting

POLICE:

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RECREATION:

- Pool painting
- Park Board meeting May 22 @ 7pm

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR:

- Update on Audit Prep – discuss Proposed AJE write offs, fixed asset inventory
- Real Estate Tax Abatement- discuss incentive of tax rebates for those who buy lots and build new homes.
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CITY COLLECTOR:

- 2019-2020 budget numbers
- Cemetery ordinance

AMBULANCE:

- Breese EMS rate increase
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MAYOR'S REPORT:

- Civic Leader Tour - May 21- 22
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FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING * May 20, 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: Tim Schleper, Debbie Koetting, Kevin Timmermann, Jason Davinroy, Robert Berndsen, Carl Ratermann, Gary UsseImann, Bill Fischer

Absent:

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, Golf Course Superintendent Paul Smith

Press: none

Visitors: none

Public Comment: none

1. Mayor Hilmes handed out articles from IMUA/IMEA Conference

IMUA/IMEA conference report. Alderwoman Koetting covered topic of succession planning that was discussed at conference. Mayor Hilmes discussed cyber security. Dale Detmer has been elected IMEA President.

2. New Energy Efficiency program started May 1 for next fiscal year - the City gets about 13,000 for efficiency. Arrow just applied for \$3,000 and another project is set up for \$2,000. For residential,

the Light Bulb program is available again this year. Another possible program is a credit for programmable thermostats. Council agreed to both programs.

3. Dale Detmer mentioned a few new bills that would be of interest to the City: House Bill 3035 - Lead Service Line; replacement of line from meter to house and 18" into house. Also, House Bill 137 - Painting Bill. Would have to hire Union Painters for any painting jobs within the city.
4. Holy Cross East update - temporary sidewalk is in. Permanent sidewalk timing is dependent on acquiring a right-of-way from the hospital (North Side). Senator Plummer asked for Wish List of projects. Mayor Hilmes suggested adding re-paving of Main Street. Shelly Schadegg suggested re-painting the water tower.
5. MFT Bid opening was held May 15 with only one bid being received from Don Anderson. Only available dates for rocking & oiling of streets are August 12, 14 and 16. Rental registrations and inspections – June 25 At KC Hall at 7 pm - information session.
6. Pool painting - 3 coats have been completed and striping is set to begin. Ok'd fiberglass grading for \$2,350. Lots of cracks in pool - opened in 1964.
7. Park Board meeting May 22 at 7pm at City Hall
8. Golf Course still very wet, working on getting Par 5s open. Kids' camp this weekend has been cancelled.
9. Update on Audit Prep – discussed Proposed AJE write offs, fixed asset inventory. Working on dates for audit - will take 2 days. 30% finished with adjusting entries that the auditors used to do. Whole process is moving along smoothly.
10. TIF Budget - need to approve a 4 year plan so funds are allocated to certain projects.
11. Real Estate Tax Abatement- discussed incentive of tax rebates for those who buy lots and build new homes. PGAV coming on Wednesday to discuss Schutte's, will also have them begin the feasibility studies on this project as well.
12. Proposal that TIF money used to enclose pavilion at golf course - loan of \$61,754.54 be written off and booked as an asset.
13. 2019-2020 Budget numbers – looking at a 10 year history the City has consistently lost money in the general fund. Proposed FY-2020 budgets show \$167,000 shortage in the general fund and ambulance fund \$53,000 short. Ambulance rate increase will help this, plus Ambulance building will be paid off in July. Council continues to discuss increasing sales tax. Committee meetings being scheduled to discuss adjustments.
14. Cemetery ordinance to allow multiple interments in a single plot will be on agenda for tomorrow night's meeting.
15. Breese EMS rate increase - we are much lower than other entities. Will increase revenue and still keep Breese at a lower rate than other local municipalities.
16. Mayor Hilmes attending Civic Leader Tour - May 21- 22 at McGuire AFB.

The meeting adjourned at 8:41 p.m.

Non-verbatim minutes taken by:



Erin Wagoner, City Clerk