

FINANCE MEETING

DATE: 6/14/21

PUBLIC COMMENT:**UTILITIES:**

- Fuel Oil Leak Power plant
- Energy Policy- State of IL
- Online Billing – Went Live 6/8/21

PUBLIC WORKS:

- Holy Cross Lane Update
- Traffic Signal Master Agreement

POLICE:

- Increase in Price of servers for report writing system

RECREATION:**BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR**

- Social media Policy

CITY COLLECTOR:

- Budget Updates
- Travel Expense Forms

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING * JUNE 14, 2021

Minutes of the finance committee meeting of the Breese City Council held on the above date. Mayor Timmermann called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Aldermen in attendance: Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Bryan Eversgerd, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Gary Usselmann. Absent: Terry Fields.

City Officials: Utility Plan Operations Mgr. Dale Detmer, Public Works Mgr. Don Voss, Business Administrator Shelly Schadegg, City Treasurer Bob Venhaus, City Attorney Joanne Stevenson, Police Chief Mark Berndsen.

Visitors: Librarian Kelly Zurliene, Gwen Fischer.

Press: Bryan Hunt-Breese Journal.

Kelly Zurliene passed out a map of the library building & parking lot. She is asking for 3 spaces to be designated as "Library Patrons Only" spaces. She sited the parking lot is being used for various businesses and the lot is full many times. After discussion the council agreed to have 3 spaces on the south side of the parking lot and the first 3 spaces off 3rd Street on the east side of the building designated for library patrons with signs to be posted.

The council reviewed bills to be paid.

The Council went over the attached agenda items:

UTILITIES:

Dale reported the fuel line leak. EPA was called and we were able to isolate the line and clean up. United Petroleum was called to repair the leak, and EPA will have to return to approve the repairs.

Online billing went live on June 10. People will be able to pay with a credit card or an ACH from their bank account. Flyers will be sent with the July bill announcing to residents. City Hall has been receiving some calls and are helping customers with the transition.

Energy Policy Bill-State of Illinois: Governors draft bill and the Senate draft bill were released last week. In those policies, all coal plants will be shut down by 2035. If this happens, energy prices will increase drastically and reliability will be questionable. IMEA is working to curtail these bills.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Holy Cross Lane traffic control signals were removed today, and the 1st section is open. Hoping to finish the 2nd section in 5 weeks.

IDOT sent the 2021 Traffic Signal Master Agreement renewal for signatures. Joanne reviewed and she is unclear as to which agency is doing the maintenance. Don Voss to check into this, and report his findings. IDOT would like the agreements back by July 1, 2021.

Don requested permission to seek a new water plant operator. A current water plant operator will be moved to water distribution to replace current personnel who will be retiring in the future. Council approved.

POLICE:

There will be a price increase for the report writing system. Three servers are needed instead of one. Will update when firm price is received.

Chief Berndsen ordered 5 new bullet proof vests to replace existing vests. Costs to be defrayed by a program that will pay 50% of costs.

Police Officer April Decker was injured while assisting on an incident. She is on work comp, and hopefully will be back in action July 1.

RECREATION:

Pool is very busy.

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR:

Sent out proposed social media policy. Will be on agenda for approval June 15.

CITY COLLECTOR:

Budgets have been finalized and will be up for approval at the June 15 council meeting.

Travel expense forms need to be filled out for anyone planning to attend any conferences.

AMBULANCE:

Council approved Zoll Medical Preventive Maintenance Contract for Ventilators at a cost of \$1,305.00.

ZONING:

No Report

MAYOR'S REPORT:

No Report

Meeting adjourned at 7:58 PM

Non-verbatim minutes taken by: 
Sandy Hemann, City Clerk