

CITY OF BREESE MEETING AGENDA

DATE: JANUARY 3, 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

- COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - FINANCE/Jason Davinroy:

 - UTILITIES/Bob Berndsen:

 - PUBLIC WORKS/Carl Ratermann:
 - 1. Approve Pay Estimate #11 to Hank's Excavating for Cherry Street Project in the Amount of \$55,006.40

 - PUBLIC SAFETY/Tim Schleper:

 - RECREATION/Bill Fischer:

 - PUBLIC BUILDINGS/Gary Usselmann:

- ZONING/Terry Fields:

- HEALTH/Bryan Eversgerd:

- MAYOR'S REPORT:
- OLD BUSINESS
- NEW BUSINESS
- ADJOURNMENT

BREESE CITY COUNCIL MEETING * JANUARY 3, 2023

Minutes of the proceeding of the 41st Regular Meeting of the Breese City Council held on the above date.

Mayor Kevin Timmermann called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M.

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

City Officials: Public Works Mgr. Don Voss, Utility Plants Mgr. Dale Detmer, Business Administrator Corey Richter, Police Chief Mark Berndsen, City Attorney Joanne Stevenson.

Press: Brian Hunt – Breese Journal
Rebecca Spohsler – Union Banner

Visitors: Nathan Columbo, Alek Sopiars

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Motion by Berndsen, seconded by Fields to approve the minutes of the meeting held on December 20, 2022 and place on file. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Davinroy, seconded by Usselmann to authorize payment of the bills, City Collector and City Treasurer Report. On roll call voting "aye": Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Gary Usselmann, Bob Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Bryan Eversgerd, Terry Fields, Bill Fischer. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Nathan Columbo from Clearwave reported bills have been submitted and will hopefully be paid soon after the holidays. He stated their Corporate Government Interface representative will be in town next week to meet with Don and the Fire District. Since there has been no more movement on payments made, Mayor Timmermann said Clearwave is still on hold.

Alek Sopiars from Clearwave stated that Hank's Excavating is doing repair work for Clearwave at the intersection of Walnut & North 4th St.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE:

No report.

UTILITIES:

Berndsen stated there is an opening for a water plant operator. Applications will be accepted until 5 P.M. on January 23rd.

Mayor Timmermann asked Plant Manager Dale Detmer for an update regarding the power plant. Detmer reported that the IMEA asked all members to generate power Friday, December 23rd during the cold snap when the market price per KWH rose to \$2,200.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Motion by Ratermann, seconded by Schleper to approve pay estimate No. 11 to Hank's Excavating for the Cherry Street project in the amount of \$55,006.40. On roll call voting "aye": Tim Schleper, Gary Usselman, Bob Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Bryan Eversgerd, Terry Fields, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann. Motion carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

No Report.

RECREATION:

No Report.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS:

No Report.

ZONING:

No Report.

HEALTH:

No Report.

Mayor's Report

No Report.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Schleper seconded by Ratermann to adjourn after no further business was brought before the Council. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 P.M.

Non-verbatim minutes taken by: _____



Jackie Hummert

CITY OF BREESE MEETING AGENDA

DATE: JANUARY 17, 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

- COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - FINANCE/Jason Davinroy:

 - UTILITIES/Bob Berndsen:
 1. Ordinance Increasing the Minimum Charge for Sewer Rates
 2. Ordinance Increasing Electric & Water Re-connection Charges

 - PUBLIC WORKS/Carl Ratermann:
 1. Approve Pay Estimate #12 to Hank's Excavating for Cherry Street Project in the Amount of \$9,059.72

 - PUBLIC SAFETY/Tim Schleper:

 - RECREATION/Bill Fischer:

- PUBLIC BUILDINGS/Gary Usselmann:

- ZONING/Terry Fields:

- HEALTH/Bryan Eversgerd:

- MAYOR'S REPORT
- OLD BUSINESS
- NEW BUSINESS
- ADJOURNMENT

BREESE CITY COUNCIL MEETING * JANUARY 17, 2023

Minutes of the 42nd Regular Meeting of the Breese City Council held on the above date.

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

City Officials: Police Chief Mark Berndsen, Public Works Manager Don Voss, City Attorney Joanne Stevenson, EMS Operations Mgr. Allen Pollmann, Business Administrator Corey Richter, Police Sgt. Kurt Detmer.

Press: Kelly Ross – Breese Journal

Visitors: Cora Eversgerd, Hailey Rolfingsmeyer, Haleigh Rest, Madyson Diekemper, McKenzie Diekemper, Jillian Luebbers.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Motion by Berndsen, second by Usselmann to approve the minutes of the meeting held on January 3, 2023 and place on file. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Davinroy, second by Ratermann to authorize payment of the bills, City Collector and City Treasurer Report. On roll call voting "aye": Gary Usselmann, Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Bryan Eversgerd, Terry Fields, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mayor Timmermann welcomed the students from Mr. Peters' class.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE:

No report.

UTILITIES:

Alderman Berndsen stated the utility department is still taking applications for the water operator position until 1/23/23.

Motion by Berndsen, second by Eversgerd to approve ordinance amending Article II, Division I, Section 38-2-1 of the City of Breese Municipal Code to change re-connection charges. The new charges will be \$75.00 during working hours, and \$200.00 for non-working hours. On roll call voting "aye": Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Bryan Eversgerd, Terry Fields, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Gary Usselmann. Motion carried.

Motion by Berndsen, second by Usselmann to approve ordinance amending Article III, Division II, Section 38-3-21 of the City of Breese Municipal Code to provide for an increase in the minimum charge for sewer rates. The new minimum charge will be \$13.74 per month, and the basic user rate will be \$3.74 per 1,000 gallons for consumption in excess of 1,000 gallons. The increase is necessary to support the construction of a new sewer plant, which is necessitated by reason of the increase volume required and the age and condition of the current plant. Berndsen stated we are currently in the engineering phase of the new plant and hope to start construction in 2024, with completion hopefully by 2025. On roll call voting "aye": Jason Davinroy, Bryan Eversgerd, Terry Fields, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Gary Usselmann, Robert Berndsen. Motion carried.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Motion by Ratermann, second by Davinroy to approve Hank's Excavating pay estimate #12 for the Cherry Street Project in the amount of \$9,059.72. On roll call voting "aye": Bryan Eversgerd, Terry Fields, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Gary Usselmann, Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy. Motion carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

No Report.

RECREATION:

The first park board meeting of the year is scheduled for January 25th at 6:00 PM in City Hall.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS:

Alderman Usselmann reported the library is gearing up for spring programs.

ZONING:

Alderman Fields reported there is a zoning hearing scheduled for January 26th at 7:30 PM in City Hall. The hearing is for a variance for a height restriction of an accessory building for Kevin Poettker.

HEALTH:

No Report.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor stated that Clearwave has paid all outstanding bills and may resume hooking up residents. He thanked several people from Clearwave for their cooperation in resolving this matter.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Schleper second by Berndsen to adjourn after no further business was brought before the Council. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Meeting adjourned at 7:38 P.M.

Non-verbatim minutes taken by:


Sandy Hermann, City Clerk

CITY OF BREESE MEETING AGENDA

DATE: FEBRUARY 7, 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

- COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - FINANCE/Jason Davinroy:
 1. Scooter's TIF/Business District Agreement

 - UTILITIES/Bob Berndsen:
 1. Ordinance Providing a Modification in Electric Rates

 - PUBLIC WORKS/Carl Ratermann:
 1. Approve Pay Estimated #13 to Hank's Excavating for Cherry Street project in the amount of \$97,207.76

 - PUBLIC SAFETY/Tim Schleper:
 1. Approve increasing pay for part-time EMT's to \$16/hour and part-time Paramedics to \$19/hour, effective next pay period.

- RECREATION/Bill Fischer:
- PUBLIC BUILDINGS/Gary Usselmann:
- ZONING/Terry Fields:
 - 1. Findings of Fact – Variance – Kevin Poettker
 - 2. Ordinance – Variance – Kevin Poettker
- HEALTH/Bryan Eversgerd:

- MAYOR'S REPORT:
- OLD BUSINESS
- NEW BUSINESS
- ADJOURNMENT

BREESE CITY COUNCIL MEETING * FEBRUARY 7, 2023

Minutes of the 43rd Regular Meeting of the Breese City Council held on the above date.

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

City Officials: Utility Plant Manager Dale Detmer, Public Works Manager Don Voss, Police Chief Mark Berndsen, EMS Operations Manager Allen Pollmann, Business Administrator Corey Richter, City Attorney Joanne Stevenson, Zoning Administrator John Becker, Clubhouse Manager Doug Schulte.

Press: Bryan Hunt, Breese Journal.

Visitors: Bob Grams, Kevin Poettker, Owen Stahl.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Motion by Fischer, second by Fields to approve the minutes of the meeting held on January 17, 2023 and place on file. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Bob Grams had a couple of concerns, the first being the bus stop by his residence at 870 N. Walnut. He stated vehicles are not stopping for the school bus stop sign and flashing lights. He asked if it is possible to periodically have the police observe that bus stop. Chief Berndsen stated that he will have one of his officers there when available. Chief Berndsen also stated the bus drivers have cameras on their busses, and should be reporting any vehicle that does not stop. Mr. Gram said he would try to speak to the driver.

His second concern is the crosswalk on Walnut Street and 7th Street. He said traffic does not stop at that crosswalk and asked if we could get crossing lights, like the one on Rt. 50 or Vossclare Lane. Mayor stated those lights are controlled by IDOT and are very costly, but the city will look into it. Alderman Davinroy stated he should also talk to the school about possibly getting a crossing guard after school to help students cross the street.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ZONING:

Motion by Fields, second by Ratermann to approve the Findings of Fact and Conclusions for a petition for a zoning variance filed by Kevin Poettker. On roll call voting "aye": Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Terry Fields. Absent: Bryan Eversgerd, Gary Usselman. Motion carried.

Motion by Fields, second by Davinroy to approve the variance filed by Kevin Poettker. The variance is to increase the height restriction to 20' on an accessory building. On roll call voting "aye": Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Terry Fields, Bill Fischer. Absent: Bryan Eversgerd, Gary Usselman. Motion carried.

FINANCE:

Motion by Davinroy, seconded by Schleper to approve the Scooter's Coffee TIF/Business District Agreement. On roll call voting "aye": Tim Schleper, Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Terry Fields, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann. Absent: Bryan Eversgerd, Gary Usselman. Motion carried.

Alderman Davinroy took this time to thank the Breese EMS paramedics for helping him and his wife on a call the other day. He stated in a time like that, it makes all the difference in the world to have them there.

UTILITIES:

Motion by Berndsen, second by Davinroy to approve the ordinance providing for a modification in electric rates. Alderman Berndsen stated instead of the scheduled 6% CPI increase, this ordinance will lower it to 4%. On roll call voting "aye": Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Terry Fields, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper. Absent: Bryan Eversgerd, Gary Usselman. Motion carried.

Utility Plant Manager Dale Detmer stated that the fair solar credit the city provides to residents has had a significant increase this year. The previous year it was .0544 cents, and it will increase to .101 cents. Customers with solar will be notified of this increase, which will credit them for energy produced by their solar panels.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Motion by Ratermann, second by Davinroy to approve Hank's Excavating PE #13 for the Cherry Street Project in the amount of \$97,207.76. On roll call voting "aye": Jason Davinroy, Terry Fields, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Robert Berndsen. Absent: Bryan Eversgerd, Gary Usselman. Motion carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Motion by Schleper, second by Davinroy to approve increasing pay for part-time EMT's to \$16/hour and part-time paramedics to \$19/hour, effective next pay period. Schleper explained, with minimum wage up to \$13/hour and a shortage of personnel, the increase is needed to keep employees. On roll call voting "aye": Terry Fields, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy. Absent: Bryan Eversgerd, Gary Usselmann. Motion carried.

Police Chief Berndsen stated there have been a couple recent scam attempts, and warned residents to be careful when taking these calls and to verify the legitimacy of them.

RECREATION:

The next board meeting of the year is scheduled for February 22 at 6:00 P.M. in City Hall. Alderman Fischer stated we have had some really good days at the golf course with the recent good weather.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS:

No Report.

HEALTH:

Alderman Schleper stated the leaf dump and spring clean-up will be coming up in March or April. Alderman Berndsen stated yard waste pick up will start in March with Waste Management.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Timmermann reported he and several aldermen attended a meeting with the county last week regarding the ambulance services. He stated every ambulance service is losing money. He also stated 64% of runs are Medicare, and on those runs, the ambulance services only receive .30 cents on the dollar. He said Medicaid runs are even worse. He stated it is the bureaucracy of the government that is hurting us. Representatives from several services were in attendance and are all running into the same problem. Something has to be done, and hopefully this meeting will be the beginning to a solution.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

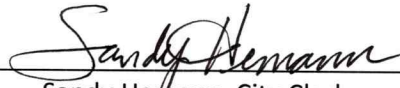
None.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Schleper seconded by Berndsen to adjourn after no further business was brought before the Council. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 P.M.

Non-verbatim minutes taken by: _____


Sandy Hermann, City Clerk

CITY OF BREESE MEETING AGENDA

DATE: FEBRUARY 21, 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. Junior Women's Club – Bunny Hop 5K
- COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - FINANCE/Jason Davinroy:
 1. Resolution – Appointing Jackie Hummert Deputy City Clerk
 - UTILITIES/Bob Berndsen:
 1. Approve hiring Aaron Culpepper as Water Operator with a starting date of 2/27/23.
 - PUBLIC WORKS/Carl Ratermann:
 1. Approve Pay Estimate #14 to Hank's Excavating for Cherry Street project in the amount of \$24,826.95
 - PUBLIC SAFETY/Tim Schleper:
 1. Police FOP Contract
 - RECREATION/Bill Fischer:
 - PUBLIC BUILDINGS/Gary Usselman:

- ZONING/Terry Fields:

- HEALTH/Bryan Eversgerd:

- MAYOR'S REPORT:
- OLD BUSINESS
- NEW BUSINESS
- ADJOURNMENT

BREESE CITY COUNCIL MEETING * FEBRUARY 21, 2023

Minutes of the 44th Regular Meeting of the Breese City Council held on the above date.

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

City Officials: Utility Plant Mgr. Dale Detmer, Public Works Mgr. Don Voss, Police Chief Mark Berndsen, EMS Operations Mgr. Allen Pollmann, Utility Billing Clerk Jackie Hummert, City Attorney Joanne Stevenson.

Press: Bryan Hunt, Breese Journal.

Visitors: Spencer Stel, Danielle Richter.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Motion by Berndsen, second by Fields to approve the minutes of the meeting held on February 7, 2023 and place on file. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Danielle Richter with the Breese Junior Women's Club asked permission to hold the Bunny Hop 5K on April 1st, 2023. She stated the 5-mile would start at 8:00 AM and the 1-mile would begin at 9:30 AM. She stated she has contacted Chief Berndsen, and would be attending the Park Board meeting on February 22nd. Motion by Fischer, second by Davinroy to approve the Bunny Hop. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Spencer Stel attended to state he had received a shut-off notice for his utility bill. He stated he checked with his bank and there was an unauthorized payment that didn't go through. He felt the shut off notice was unwarranted after only one missed payment. Mayor Timmermann stated the City Clerk's office would look into the matter and get back with him.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE:

Motion by Davinroy, second by Schleper to approve a resolution appointing Jackie Hummert as Deputy City Clerk. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

UTILITIES:

Motion by Berndsen, second by Fields to approve hiring Aaron Culpepper as Water Operator with a starting date of February 27, 2023. On roll call voting "aye": Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Bryan Eversgerd, Terry Fields, Bill Fischer. Absent: Gary Usselman. Motion carried.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Motion by Ratermann, second by Davinroy to approve Hank's Excavating PE #14 for the Cherry Street Project in the amount of \$24,826.95. On roll call voting "aye": Tim Schleper, Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Bryan Eversgerd, Terry Fields, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann. Absent: Gary Usselman. Motion carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Motion by Schleper, second by Davinroy to approve the Police FOP contract. On roll call voting "aye": Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Bryan Eversgerd, Terry Fields, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper. Absent: Gary Usselman. Motion carried.

RECREATION:

Alderman Fischer stated that Pool Manager Angie Gibson has turned in her resignation. Angie has worked as pool manager since 2016 and has done a great job. Fischer thanked her for her hard work and dedication. Fischer stated an ad will be placed in the paper for a replacement.

The next board meeting of the year is scheduled for February 22 at 6:00 PM in City Hall. Alderman Fischer stated we have had some really good days at the golf course with the recent good weather.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS:

No Report.

ZONING:

Alderman Fields stated there is a zoning hearing scheduled for March 9th at 7:30 PM in city hall for an amendment to change zoning from R-1 to C-2 to allow outdoor storage at 210 N. Haag Street.

HEALTH:

No Report.

Mayor's Report:

No Report.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Schleper seconded by Berndsen to adjourn after no further business was brought before the Council. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Non-verbatim minutes taken by:


Sandy Hemann, City Clerk

CITY OF BREESE MEETING AGENDA

DATE: MARCH 7, 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

- COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - FINANCE/Jason Davinroy:

 - UTILITIES/Bob Berndsen:

 - PUBLIC WORKS/Carl Ratermann:
 - 1. Approve Pay Estimate #15 to Hank's Excavating for Cherry Street Project in the amount of \$47,057.45

 - PUBLIC SAFETY/Tim Schleper:
 - 1. Hire Dawson Huelskamp as Police Officer, with a start date of March 14, 2023

 - RECREATION/Bill Fischer:
 - 1. Accepting applications for pool manager job until March 24 at City Hall or online at breese.org

 - PUBLIC BUILDINGS/Gary Usselman:

- ZONING/Terry Fields:

1. Zoning Hearing – March 9, 2023 @ 7:30 PM in City Hall – Amendment from R-1 to C-2 to allow outdoor storage on lot North of 210 N. Haag Street.
2. Zoning Hearing – March 16, 2023 @ 7:30 PM in City Hall for a variance @ 10208 Holy Cross Lane to relax setback to 10' on east side of building.

- HEALTH/Bryan Eversgerd:

- MAYOR'S REPORT:

1. Medicare Reimbursements

- OLD BUSINESS
- NEW BUSINESS
- ADJOURNMENT

BREESE CITY COUNCIL MEETING * MARCH 7, 2023

Minutes of the 45th Regular Meeting of the Breese City Council held on the above date.

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

City Officials: Utility Plant Mgr. Dale Detmer, Public Works Mgr. Don Voss, Police Chief Mark Berndsen, EMS Operations Mgr. Allen Pollmann, Golf Clubhouse Mgr. Doug Schulte, City Attorney Joanne Stevenson.

Press: Bryan Hunt, Breese Journal.

Visitors: Dawson Huelskamp, Emma Toebe, Abby Sturgeon, Adelyn Kuhl, Lizzie Detmer, Madison Pruitt, Hunter Beckmann, Blake Beckmann, Bryce Behrman, Dylan Ziegler, Michael Teasley, Rebecca Sponsler, Conner Freeze, Thomas Schrage, Cole Winkeler, TJ Catenzoro, Cody Haire, Jonathan McMinn.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Motion by Ratermann, second by Berndsen to approve the minutes of the meeting held on February 21, 2023 and place on file. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Davinroy, second by Fields to authorize payment of the bills, City Collector and City Treasurer Report. On roll call voting "aye": Jason Davinroy, Bryan Eversgerd, Terry Fields, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Gary Usselmann, Robert Berndsen. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mayor Timmermann recognized and welcomed the students from Mr. Peter's class.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE:

No Report.

UTILITIES:

No Report.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Motion by Ratermann, second by Berndsen to approve Hank's Excavating PE #15 for the Cherry Street Project in the amount of \$47,057.45. On roll call voting "aye": Bryan Eversgerd, Terry Fields, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Gary Usselmann, Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy. Motion carried.

Alderman Ratermann reported that Cherry Street is completely open, with only striping remaining to complete the project.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Motion by Schleper, second by Davinroy to approve the hiring of Dawson Huelskamp as the new police officer, to replace April Decker who resigned last month. His start date will be March 14, 2023. On roll call voting "aye": Terry Fields, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Gary Usselmann, Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Bryan Eversgerd. Motion carried. Mayor Timmermann welcomed Dawson to the City of Breese.

Police Chief Berndsen stated that in the past, the police department has had drug collections for any unused drugs that citizens needed disposed. He stated he would like to put a secure drug collection box in the lobby of City Hall, to allow citizens to drop off those unused drugs at their convenience. He stated the box would be locked and secured to the floor. The council agreed to place the box in the lobby.

RECREATION:

Alderman Fischer stated that with Angie Gibson's resignation, the city will be accepting applications for the pool manager job. Applications will be accepted at City Hall or online at breese.org until March 24th.

Clubhouse Manager Doug Schulte stated the golf course is operating on the alternate route due to flooding. He stated they have been very busy with the recent good weather.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS:

Alderman Usselmann reported that librarian Kelly Zurliene has received many compliments on the parking lot resurface. Also, to keep her posted when we will be striping it.

ZONING:

Alderman Fields stated there is a zoning hearing scheduled for March 9th at 7:30 PM in City Hall for an amendment to change zoning from R-1 to C-2 to allow outdoor storage at 210 N. Haag Street.

There is also a zoning hearing on March 16, 2023 @ 7:30 PM in City Hall for a variance @ 10208 Holy Cross Lane, which is Litteken Construction, to relax the setback to 10' on the east side lot line.

HEALTH:

Waste Management yard waste pickup will start March 21st.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Timmermann stated that he, Dale Detmer and Bob Berndsen went to Washington DC for the APPA Rally last week. They met with Congressman Mike Bost, Senator Tammy Duckworth, and Senator Richard Durbin. He stated of the many issues discussed, was the supply chain problem with getting electric transformers. They are being backordered for over a year, and is causing many problems for municipalities and electric companies nationwide.

Timmermann also reported that house bill 5424 was introduced to increase Medicare reimbursements. He stated currently, ambulance services only receive .31 cents on the dollar for ambulance runs. This is putting a huge burden on them to be able to survive. This bill would increase that amount, taking some of the burden off ambulance services. Timmermann stated, even with increasing SSA's to the max amount allowed, we are still losing money every year. We will continue to monitor this bill, and hope for passage.

Mayor Timmermann congratulated Mater Dei ladies basketball on winning state. He congratulated Mater Dei and Central High School on a great season for boys and girls sports. We are proud of our high schools!!

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:46 PM

Non-verbatim minutes taken by:


Sandy Hemann, City Clerk

CITY OF BREESE MEETING AGENDA

DATE: MARCH 21, 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. Ryan Ketchum – District 12
 2. Frank Richter – Business Owners
 3. John Winter – Main Street Car Cruise – May 5, 2023

- COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - FINANCE/Jason Davinroy:

 - UTILITIES/Bob Berndsen:

 - PUBLIC WORKS/Carl Ratermann:
 1. MFT Resolution
 2. Approve Pay Estimated #16 to Hank's Excavating for Cherry Street project in the amount of \$63,717.97

 - PUBLIC SAFETY/Tim Schleper:

 - RECREATION/Bill Fischer:

- PUBLIC BUILDINGS/Gary Usselmann:

- ZONING/Terry Fields:

1. Petition filed by Michael Lohman to Amend Zoning Classification on a lot North of 210 N. Haag St.
2. Ordinance - Findings of Fact – Variance – Litteken.
3. Ordinance - Variance – Litteken.
4. Approve plat for Karl Abert's First Subdivision, a 1- lot subdivision located within 1.5 miles of the City of Breese, on the Old State Road.

- HEALTH/Bryan Eversgerd:

- MAYOR'S REPORT:

- OLD BUSINESS
- NEW BUSINESS
- ADJOURNMENT

BREESE CITY COUNCIL MEETING * MARCH 21, 2023

Minutes of the 46th Regular Meeting of the Breese City Council held on the above date.

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

City Officials: Utility Plant Mgr. Dale Detmer, Public Works Mgr. Don Voss, Police Chief Mark Berndsen, Business Administrator Corey Richter, Golf Clubhouse Mgr. Doug Schulte, Utility Billing Clerk Jackie Hummert, City Attorney Joanne Stevenson, Police Officers Keith Wempe and Dawson Huelskamp, Zoning Administrator John Becker.

Press: Bryan Hunt, Breese Journal.

Visitors: Tony Jansen, Ashley Winter, Ron Foppe, Gina Benhoff, Kassi Petterson, Kurt Peters, Ryan Ketchum, Chris Niemeyer, AG Becker, Steve Kalmer, John Winter, Mary Jo Varel, Doug Ratermann, Connor Detmer, Jason ?, Lauren Jeffries, John Jeffries, Frank Richter, Blake J., Nathan Vandeloo, Ryan Litteken, Jason Litteken.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Motion by Eversgerd, second by Usselmann to approve the minutes of the meeting held on March 7, 2023 and place on file. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mayor Timmermann explained that this is not a public forum to discuss the 1% sales tax referendum. Each party will be given 5 minutes to present their facts.

Mayor called on John Winter with the Main Street Car Cruise. Mr. Winter requested permission to hold the Main Street Car Cruise on May 5th. He stated it will be basically the same as last year, but will be starting on 3rd Street, down to almost Broadway. Motion by Schleper, second by Davinroy to approve car cruise. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Ryan Ketchum with District 12 spoke on the 1% sales tax for the schools that will be on the April ballot. He explained the need for the tax, citing new classrooms and safety.

Frank Richter, representing a Concerned Citizens Group, spoke against the need for the 1% sales tax referendum. The group believes 8.25% sales tax is too high, along with the already too high property taxes.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE:

No Report.

UTILITIES:

No Report.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Motion by Ratermann, second by Schleper to pass the MFT Resolution for maintenance for FY-2024. The resolution appropriates \$225,000 of Motor Fuel Tax for the maintenance of roads in the city. On roll call voting "aye": Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Gary Usselman, Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Bryan Eversgerd, Bill Fischer. Absent: Terry Fields. Motion carried.

Motion by Ratermann, second by Davinroy to approve Hank's Excavating PE #16 for the Cherry Street project in the amount of \$63,717.97. On roll call voting "aye": Tim Schleper, Gary Usselman, Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Bryan Eversgerd, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann. Absent: Terry Fields. Motion carried.

Alderman Ratermann reported that the Cherry Street project is completely open, with only striping remaining to complete the project. Downtown revitalization will begin soon.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Police Chief asked citizens to not blow grass clippings into the streets, as it clogs up the storm sewers.

RECREATION:

Alderman Fischer stated that with Angie Gibson's resignation, the city will be accepting applications for the pool manager job. Applications will be accepted at city hall or online at breese.org until March 24th.

Clubhouse Manager Doug Schulte stated the golf course is operating on the alternate route. Regular rates go into effect April 1st.

Fischer stated the next park board meeting is March 22nd in City Hall starting at 6:00 PM.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS:

No Report.

ZONING:

Motion by Davinroy, second by Eversgerd to deny petition filed by Michael Lohman to amend zoning classification on a lot North of 210 N. Haag St. The zoning board voted to deny petition. On roll call voting "aye": Gary Usselmann, Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Bryan Eversgerd, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper. Absent: Terry Fields. Motion carried.

Motion by Davinroy, second by Eversgerd to approve the findings of fact and conclusion for a variance filed by Litteken Construction for their office addition. On roll call voting "aye": Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Bryan Eversgerd, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Gary Usselmann. Absent: Terry Fields. Motion carried.

Motion by Davinroy, second by Schleper to approve variance for Litteken Construction. On roll call voting "aye": Jason Davinroy, Bryan Eversgerd, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Gary Usselmann, Robert Berndsen. Absent: Terry Fields. Motion carried.

Motion by Davinroy, second by Schleper to approve the plat for Karl Abert's First Subdivision. A 1-lot subdivision located within 1.5 miles of the City of Breese. On roll call voting "aye": Bryan Eversgerd, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Gary Usselmann, Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy. Absent: Terry Fields. Motion carried.

HEALTH:

Alderman Eversgerd reported spring cleanup is schedule for April 22nd at the street department from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM. No tires, construction material, electronics, or yard waste will be accepted. Notice will be posted on the city Facebook page.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Timmermann brought up elections. He stated he has seen only a 10-15% voter turnout for previous municipal spring elections. He stated with the previous talk about the referendum, people need to get out and vote. Please get out and vote, every election is important!

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Schleper second by Eversgerd to adjourn after no further business was brought before the council. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Meeting adjourned at 7:52 PM

Non-verbatim minutes taken by: _____


Sandy Hemann, City Clerk

CITY OF BREESE MEETING AGENDA

DATE: APRIL 4, 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

- COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - FINANCE/Jason Davinroy:
 1. Auditor Engagement Agreement
 2. Resolution Approving Collateral Assignment of a TIF Agreement for DSS Properties

 - UTILITIES/Bob Berndsen:

 - PUBLIC WORKS/Carl Ratermann:
 1. Sale of Surplus Equipment

 - PUBLIC SAFETY/Tim Schleper:

 - RECREATION/Bill Fischer:
 1. Approve hiring Mason Kuper as pool manager

 - PUBLIC BUILDINGS/Gary Usselman:

 - ZONING/Terry Fields:

- HEALTH/Bryan Eversgerd:

- MAYOR'S REPORT:
- OLD BUSINESS
- NEW BUSINESS
- ADJOURNMENT

BREESE CITY COUNCIL MEETING * APRIL 4, 2023

Minutes of the 47th Regular Meeting of the Breese City Council held on the above date.

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

City Officials: Utility Plant Mgr. Dale Detmer, Public Works Mgr. Don Voss, Police Chief Mark Berndsen, Business Administrator Corey Richter, Golf Clubhouse Mgr. Doug Schulte, City Attorney Joanne Stevenson, EMS Operations Mgr. Allen Pollmann, Golf Course Mgr. Paul Smith.

Press: Bryan Hunt, Breese Journal.

Visitors: Griffen Wempe, Katherine Nee, Mason Kuper, Carter Niemeyer, Makinley Korte, Jacob Greathouse, Chelcey Romero, Janet Luevano, Maybelline Morales, Dylan Albert, Tanner Tolan, Dominic Barker.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Motion by Berndsen, second by Eversgerd to approve the minutes of the meeting held on March 21, 2023 and place on file. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT:

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE:

Motion by Davinroy, second by Berndsen to approve the Auditor Engagement Letter with Fick, Eggemeier and Williamson, in the amount of \$27,000 for fiscal year 2023. On roll call voting "aye": Carl Ratermann, Gary Usselmann, Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Bryan Eversgerd, Bill Fischer. Absent: Terry Fields, Tim Schleper. Motion carried.

Motion by Davinroy, second by Eversgerd to approve a resolution approving collateral assignment of a TIF agreement for DSS Properties. On roll call voting "aye": Gary Usselmann, Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Bryan Eversgerd, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann. Absent: Terry Fields, Tim Schleper. Motion carried.

UTILITIES:

Alderman Berndsen stated with the retirement of Dale Detmer in August, the city is seeking an Electric Operations Manager. Applications are being accepted until April 19th at 5:00 PM.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Motion by Ratermann, second by Usselmann to approve the sale of surplus equipment as follows: 2004 Ford F-150 \$315, Batwing Bushhog \$125, Golf Cart \$501, EZGO Truckster \$525, Trailer \$305, Harrow \$75. On roll call voting "aye": Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Bryan Eversgerd, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Gary Usselmann. Absent: Terry Fields, Tim Schleper. Motion carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

No Report.

RECREATION:

Motion by Fischer, second by Davinroy to hire Mason Kuper as the new pool manager. On roll call voting "aye": Jason Davinroy, Bryan Eversgerd, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Gary Usselmann, Robert Berndsen. Absent: Terry Fields, Tim Schleper. Motion carried.

Clubhouse Manager Doug Schulte reported the golf course is still on the alternate route, because of flooding, it is still too wet. As soon as it dries up, they will return to the regular route and the driving range will open.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS:

Alderman Usselmann stated that in light of all the recent storms and the damage to the ambulance roof, we may need to check all roofs for damage.

ZONING:

No Report.

HEALTH:

Alderman Eversgerd reported spring cleanup is schedule for April 22nd at the Street Department from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM. No tires, construction material, electronics, or yard waste will be accepted. Notice will be posted on the city Facebook page.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Timmermann stated some legislation was passed 2 weeks ago, up in Springfield. It passed the house unanimously, and is currently in the Senate. It is house bill 1470, presented by Representative Charlie Meier. If passed, it will allow a county or municipality to form an ambulance district. This is a first step on either the state or federal side recognizing the difficulties that ambulance services are having with funding.

Mayor Timmermann also addressed Mr. Peter's Civics class students, that when they turn 18 and they can register to vote, they should do so, as it is their privilege to vote.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Eversgerd seconded by Fischer to adjourn after no further business was brought before the council. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Meeting adjourned at 7:42 PM.

Non-verbatim minutes taken by:


Sandy Hemann, City Clerk

CITY OF BREESE MEETING AGENDA

DATE: APRIL 18, 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

- COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - FINANCE/Jason Davinroy:

 - UTILITIES/Bob Berndsen:
 - 1. Approve purchase of bucket truck for the electric department in the amount of \$241,105 from Altec/Global Rental.

 - PUBLIC WORKS/Carl Ratermann:

 - PUBLIC SAFETY/Tim Schleper:

 - RECREATION/Bill Fischer:

 - PUBLIC BUILDINGS/Gary Usselman:

 - ZONING/Terry Fields:

- HEALTH/Bryan Eversgerd:
 - 1. Leaf Dump is open until April 30th

- MAYOR'S REPORT:
 - 1. Re-appoint Gwen Fischer and James Sprengel to the Library Board for another 3-year term.
 - 2. Appoint Ron Koopmann to the Zoning Board.

- OLD BUSINESS
- NEW BUSINESS
- ADJOURNMENT

BREESE CITY COUNCIL MEETING * APRIL 18, 2023

Minutes of the 48th Regular Meeting of the Breese City Council held on the above date.

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

City Officials: Utility Plant Mgr. Dale Detmer, Public Works Mgr. Don Voss, Police Chief Mark Berndsen, City Attorney Joanne Stevenson.

Press: Bryan Hunt, Breese Journal.

Visitors: Autumn Sigler, Lexie Spihlmann, Zila Johnson, Emma Davis, Zane Schrage, Pricila Tobon, Lauren Wuebbels, Chase Lewis, Drevyn Allen.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Motion by Eversgerd, second by Ratermann to approve the minutes of the meeting held on April 4, 2023 and place on file. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mayor Timmermann welcomed students from Mr. Peters class.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE:

No report.

UTILITIES:

Motion by Berndsen, second by Davinroy to approve the purchase of a bucket truck for the electric department in the amount of \$241,105 from Altec/Global Rental. On roll call voting "aye": Carl Ratermann, Gary Usselmann, Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Bryan Eversgerd. Absent: Terry Fields, Bill Fischer, Tim Schleper. Motion carried.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Alderman Ratermann stated street crews are working on N. 2nd street. They will be finishing up the north side of the street and will begin the south side of street next week.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

No report.

RECREATION:

Alderman Eversgerd reported there is a park board meeting on 4/26/23 at 6:00 PM. Golf course is looking great and is open for play. He also stated the baby pool/splash pad will get painted soon, so it will be ready for the swimming season.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS:

No report.

ZONING:

Alderman Davinroy reported there is a zoning hearing on 4/20/23 in City Hall at 7:30 PM. It is for Justin Jones at 643 N. 9th Street, to allow a home occupation.

HEALTH:

Alderman Eversgerd reported the leaf dump is open until April 30th, and then will close for the season.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Timmermann re-appointed Gwen Fischer and James Sprengel to the library board for another 3-year term. Motion by Eversgerd, second by Davinroy to approve re-appointment. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Mayor Timmermann appointed Ron Koopmann to the zoning board, replacing Jeanne Weber. Motion by Davinroy, second by Eversgerd to approve appointment. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:


None.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Usselmann second by Berndsen to adjourn after no further business was brought before the Council. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Meeting adjourned at 7:37 PM.

Non-verbatim minutes taken by:


Sandy Hermann, City Clerk

BREESE CITY COUNCIL MEETING * MAY 2, 2023

REORGANIZATION MEETING

Minutes of the proceeding of the 1st and Reorganization Meeting of the Breese City Council held in City Hall on the above date.

The first order of business was the swearing-in of the newly elected Officials:

Ward 1	Jason Davinroy
Ward 2	Carl Ratermann
Ward 3	Tim Schleper
Ward 4	Gary Usselmann

Mayor Kevin Timmermann called the meeting to order at 7:43 PM.

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

City Officials: Utility Plant Operations Mgr. Dale Detmer, Public Works Mgr. Don Voss, City Business Administrator Corey Richter, Police Chief Mark Berndsen, City Treasurer Bob Venhaus, City Attorney Joanne Stevenson, Zoning Administrator John Becker, EMS Manager Allen Pollmann, Street Supt. Tom Tebbe.

Press: Bryan Hunt, Breese Journal
Rebecca Sponsler, Carlyle Union Banner

Visitors: Sophie Timmermann, Victoria Timmermann, Chloe Deien, Jillian Mueller.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Mayor Timmermann presented the committee assignments for the period May 2023 - April 2025. The first name is chairman of the committee:

Finance:

Eversgerd, Schleper, Davinroy, Berndsen, Usselmann, Ratermann, Fischer

Public Works-Utilities:

Berndsen, Schleper, Ratermann, Davinroy

Public Works-Streets:

Ratermann, Eversgerd, Berndsen

Public Safety:

Schleper, Usselmann, Davinroy, Fischer

Recreation:

Davinroy, Eversgerd, Usselmann

Public Buildings & Grounds:

Usselmann, Fischer, Schleper, Eversgerd

Zoning/Building Inspection:

Fischer, Davinroy, Berndsen, Ratermann

Health & Welfare:

Ratermann, Usselmann, Eversgerd

Mayor Timmermann stated that some committees only have three aldermen. Due to the passing of Terry Fields, the city will appoint a new alderman for Ward 3. At that time, the new alderman will be added to those committees.

Motion by Usselmann second by Davinroy to approve the appointments. On roll call voting "aye": Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Gary Usselmann, Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Bryan Eversgerd. Motion carried.

Mayor Timmermann appointed Tom Tebbe as Street and Drainage Supervisor for the period of May 1, 2023 – May 1, 2025.

Motion by Eversgerd, second by Davinroy to approve the appointment. On roll call voting "aye": Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Gary Usselmann, Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Bryan Eversgerd, Bill Fischer. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Schleper second by Berndsen to adjourn after no further business was brought before the council. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

The meeting adjourned at 7:48 PM.

Non-verbatim minutes taken by:


Sandy Hermann, City Clerk

CITY OF BREESE MEETING AGENDA

DATE: MAY 2, 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

- COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - FINANCE/Jason Davinroy:
 1. Approve City Hall Office Personnel Contracts – Retroactive to 11/1/22
 2. Approve Sick Leave & Vacation Schedules effective 5/1/23

 - UTILITIES/Bob Berndsen:

 - PUBLIC WORKS/Carl Ratermann:
 1. Ordinance – Amending Public Works Management Positions

 - PUBLIC SAFETY/Tim Schleper:

 - RECREATION/Bill Fischer:

 - PUBLIC BUILDINGS/Gary Usselman:

 - ZONING/Terry Fields:
 1. Special Use – Justin Jones Home Occupation

- HEALTH/Bryan Eversgerd:

- MAYOR'S REPORT:

1. Appoint Allison Netemeyer to the Library Board. She will replace Yvonne Ratermann.

- OLD BUSINESS
- NEW BUSINESS
- ADJOURNMENT

BREESE CITY COUNCIL MEETING * MAY 2, 2023

Minutes of the 49th Regular Meeting of the Breese City Council held on the above date.

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

City Officials: Utility Plant Mgr. Dale Detmer, Public Works Mgr. Don Voss, Police Chief Mark Berndsen, Business Administrator Corey Richter, EMS Operations Mgr. Allen Pollmann, City Treasurer Bob Venhaus, City Attorney Joanne Stevenson, Street Dept. Tom Tebbe, Zoning Administrator John Becker.

Press: Bryan Hunt, Breese Journal.
Rebecca Sponsler, Union Banner.

Visitors: Denver Hoelscher, Justin Jones, Josh Bunch, Sophie Timmermann, Victoria Timmermann, Chloe Deien, Jillian Mueller, Don Reeves.

Mayor Timmermann stated that we lost an alderman and a friend. Terry Fields, Alderman Ward 3, passed away yesterday. He stated that he was a friend with Terry growing up, and he was a friend to many people in town. Terry accomplished a lot in the short time he was on the council and he will be greatly missed. Mayor Timmermann asked for a moment of silence in remembrance of Terry.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Motion by Eversgerd, second by Usselmann to approve the minutes of the meeting held on April 18, 2023 and place on file. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Davinroy, second by Schleper to authorize payment of the bills, City Collector and City Treasurer Report. On roll call voting "aye": Gary Usselmann, Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Bryan Eversgerd, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mayor Timmermann welcomed students from Mr. Peters' class.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ZONING:

Motion by Davinroy to approve the findings of fact and conclusions for a special use permit for Justin Jones at 643 N. 9th Street. Mayor Timmermann asked for comments. Mr. Jones asked if anyone had questions for him. Zoning Administrator John Becker stated he believes Mr. Jones owes the zoning

board an apology for the way he came into the meeting. Mr. Jones stated he was sorry if he came off as hostile, he was just stating the facts. John Becker said the zoning board does not get paid and it is a thankless job, and they deserve to be shown respect. Mayor Timmermann said that everyone should be respectful when entering any city meetings.

Mayor Timmermann asked for a second to the motion, second by Berndsen. On roll call voting "aye": Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Bryan Eversgerd, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Gary Usselmann. Motion carried.

Motion by Davinroy, second by Schleper to approve the special use permit for Justin Jones. On roll call voting "aye": Jason Davinroy, Bryan Eversgerd, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Gary Usselmann, Robert Berndsen. Motion carried.

FINANCE:

No report. The contracts that were on the agenda for approval were not received from the attorney yet.

UTILITIES:

Alderman Berndsen stated the new bucket truck for the electric department was delivered on Friday, and was put to use today.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Motion by Ratermann, second by Eversgerd to approve the ordinance amending the public works management positions. On roll call voting "aye": Bryan Eversgerd, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Gary Usselmann, Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy. Motion carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Alderman Schleper brought up crosswalk safety. With the weather getting better more people are out walking.

Police Chief Berndsen stated the schools are having activities and field days, and he wanted to thank Sam Ramadan of Farm Fresh Market for donating the food for the field days.

RECREATION:

Alderman Fischer stated the parks and golf course are packed these days as people are enjoying being outdoors.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS:

Alderman Usselman reported that library worker Jan Humphrey will be retiring. He wished her well in her retirement. Also, librarian Kelly Zurliene will be gearing up for the summer reading program to be held in June and July.

HEALTH:

No report.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Timmermann appointed Allison Netemeyer to the library board. She will replace Yvonne Ratermann. Motion by Schleper, second by Eversgerd to approve the appointment. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Schleper, second by Berndsen to adjourn after no further business was brought before the council. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Meeting adjourned at 7:42 P.M.

Non-verbatim minutes taken by:


Sandy Hemann, City Clerk

CITY OF BREESE MEETING AGENDA

DATE: MAY 16, 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

- COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - FINANCE/Bryan Eversgerd:
 - 1. Community Bank TIF Agreement

 - UTILITIES/Bob Berndsen:
 - 1. Utilities Collective Bargaining Contract

 - PUBLIC WORKS/Carl Ratermann:
 - 1. MFT Maintenance Bid Awards as follows:
 - Bituminous Materials – Illiana Construction \$86,100
 - Seal Coat Aggregate CA-13 – Beelman Logistics \$37,275
 - Seal Coat Aggregate CA-16 – Beelman Logistics \$26,820

 - PUBLIC SAFETY/Tim Schleper:

 - RECREATION/Jason Davinroy:

- PUBLIC BUILDINGS/Gary Usselman:

- ZONING/Bill Fischer:

- HEALTH/Carl Ratermann:

- MAYOR'S REPORT
- OLD BUSINESS
- NEW BUSINESS
- ADJOURNMENT

BREESE CITY COUNCIL MEETING * MAY 16, 2023

Minutes of the 2nd Regular Meeting of the Breese City Council held on the above date.

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

City Officials: Utility Plant Mgr. Dale Detmer, Public Works Mgr. Don Voss, Police Chief Mark Berndsen, Business Administrator Corey Richter, Golf Course Mgr. Paul Smith, City Attorney Joanne Stevenson.

Press: Bryan Hunt, Breese Journal.

Visitors: Stephen Warnecke, Rayellen Maden, Brayden McDaniel, Tammy Travis, Lilly Anne Huguen, Stacy Schroeder, Devin Rehkemper, Jada Pratt, Trina Pratt.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Motion by Davinroy, second by Berndsen to approve the minutes of the meeting held on May 2, 2023 and place on file. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mayor Timmermann welcomed students from Mr. Peters' class.

Stephen Warnecke and Tammy Travis attended the meeting expressing concerns at Ellwood Cemetery. It was discovered that his relative was buried in the wrong plot some years ago, and then recently, cremains were mistakenly buried in one of his plots. When the mistakes were discovered, actions were taken to correct this. Mr. Warnecke was still concerned for future burials. Public Works Mgr. Don Voss stated the mistakes made, were made before his association with the cemetery. The city has made every effort to amend the errors and will make every effort to avoid future mishaps.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE:

Motion by Eversgerd, second by Schleper to approve the Community Bank TIF agreement. On roll call voting "aye": Jason Davinroy, Bryan Eversgerd, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Robert Berndsen. Absent: Gary Usselmann. Motion carried.

UTILITIES:

Motion by Berndsen, second by Schleper to approve the Utilities Collective Bargaining Contract. On roll call voting "aye": Bryan Eversgerd, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy. Absent: Gary Usselmann. Motion carried.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Motion by Ratermann, second by Davinroy to approve the MFT Maintenance Bid awards as follows: Bituminous Materials to Illiana Construction for \$86,100, Seal Coat Aggregate CA-13 to Beelman Logistics for \$37,275, Seal Coat Aggregate CA-16 to Beelman Logistics for \$26,820. On roll call voting "aye": Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Bryan Eversgerd. Absent: Gary Usselmann. Motion carried.

Alderman Ratermann reported street crews have about 2 more weeks on 2nd Street, and then will be finished with downtown.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

No report.

RECREATION:

Alderman Davinroy reported hand dryers will be installed in the restrooms at the parks. He stated there is a park board meeting on May 24 @ 6:00 PM in City Hall. The swimming pool is scheduled to open on Memorial Day, weather permitting. He also reported the golf course is looking great and is open for business.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS:

No report.

HEALTH:

No report.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

No report.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Alderman Berndsen stated he and several city officials attended the annual IMUA/IMEA meeting last week. The public works and utility departments were presented with a safety award. He said what this represents is, in the last 12 -month period, they did not have a work-related accident. We take safety very seriously and wanted to congratulate the public works and utility departments for their hard work and dedication.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Davinroy, second by Berndsen to adjourn after no further business was brought before the council. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Meeting adjourned at 7:52 PM.

Non-verbatim minutes taken by:


Sandy Hemann, City Clerk

CITY OF BREESE MEETING AGENDA

DATE: JUNE 6, 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

- MAYOR: Wendy Heimann's Retirement – 39 years of service

- COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - FINANCE/Bryan Eversgerd:
 1. Approve Budget for FY-2024

 - UTILITIES/Bob Berndsen:
 1. Free Chlorine

 - PUBLIC WORKS/Carl Ratermann:
 1. Approve Public Works Manager and Street & Drainage Supervisor Contracts effective 5/1/23.
 2. Approve Hank's Excavating final pay estimate for Cherry Street, in the amount of \$24,411.40
 3. Approve truck purchase for Street Department from Jansen Ford

 - PUBLIC SAFETY/Tim Schleper:

 - RECREATION/Jason Davinroy:
 1. Splash Pad Update
 2. Miners Park: Food Truck Fridays
 3. Golf Course Status

○ PUBLIC BUILDINGS/Gary Usselman:

○ ZONING/Bill Fischer:

○ HEALTH/Carl Ratermann:

- OLD BUSINESS
- NEW BUSINESS
- ADJOURNMENT

BREESE CITY COUNCIL MEETING * JUNE 6, 2023

Minutes of the 3rd Regular Meeting of the Breese City Council held on the above date.

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

City Officials: Utility Plant Mgr. Dale Detmer, Public Works Mgr. Don Voss, Police Chief Mark Berndsen, Golf Course Mgr. Paul Smith, Clubhouse Mgr. Doug Schulte, City Treasurer Bob Venhaus, Zoning Administrator John Becker, Street Supervisor Tom Tebbe, Utility Billing Clerk Jackie Hummert, Retired Billing Clerk Wendy Heimann, Payroll Clerk Kim Wiegmann, City Attorney Joanne Stevenson.

Press: Bryan Hunt, Breese Journal.

Visitors: Jeff Heimann, Jason Deering

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Motion by Eversgerd, second by Davinroy to approve the minutes of the meeting held on May 16, 2023 and place on file. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mayor Timmermann recognized Wendy Heimann, who retired May 26, 2023. Wendy served the city for 39 years. Mayor Timmermann praised Heimann for everything she has done for the city and the great service and dedication she brought to the city. Mayor Timmermann presented Heimann with a plaque for her retirement. Everyone congratulated Heimann and wished her the best in her retirement.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE:

Motion by Eversgerd, second by Schleper to approve the FY-2024 budget. On roll call voting "aye": Tim Schleper, Gary Usselmann, Jason Davinroy, Bryan Eversgerd, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann. Absent: Bob Berndsen. Motion carried.

UTILITIES:

Alderman Schleper reported that the utilities have started free chlorine at the water plant, and will be flushing lines at different times in the next 2 weeks. This is an annual maintenance routine. Residents may notice the water tasting a little different, but it is safe for drinking.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Motion by Ratermann, second by Schleper to approve the Public Works Manager and Street & Drainage Supervisor contracts, effective 5/1/23. On roll call voting "aye": Gary Usselmann, Jason Davinroy, Bryan Eversgerd, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper. Absent: Bob Berndsen. Motion carried.

Motion by Ratermann, second by Davinroy to approve Hank's Excavating final pay estimate for Cherry Street Project in the amount of \$24,411.40. On roll call voting "aye": Jason Davinroy, Bryan Eversgerd, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Gary Usselmann. Absent: Bob Berndsen. Motion carried.

Motion by Ratermann, second by Eversgerd to approve the purchase of a pickup truck for the Street Department from Jansen Ford in the amount of \$42,776.00. On roll call voting "aye": Bryan Eversgerd, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Gary Usselmann, Jason Davinroy. Absent: Bob Berndsen. Motion carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Alderman Schleper stated with it being summertime, there are more pedestrians on the streets, so please slow down. Also, the police will be watching for speeding. You will see the speed trailer around town.

RECREATION:

Alderman Davinroy reported the splash pad at the pool is currently down for maintenance. It was recently painted and the surface was too slick. Work is to be done to correct the issue, and will hopefully be up and running soon.

Miner's Park is hosting "Food Truck Friday," through the summer. It includes a variety of foods trucks, music, and ballgames. Come out and enjoy.

Golf Course hosted a youth tournament and had 50 junior golfers, which was a good turnout. Golf course is looking awesome.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS:

No Report.

ZONING:

No Report.

HEALTH:

Waste Management has asked residents to have their yard waste containers out at the street by 6:00 AM on pickup days. Also, please limit containers to 50 pounds. Alderman Schleper thought Waste Management should do another campaign to see if people need additional yard waste or trash containers, since they will only pick up their containers.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

No report.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:


None.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:39 PM

Non-verbatim minutes taken by:


Sandy Hemann, City Clerk

CITY OF BREESE MEETING AGENDA

DATE: JUNE 20, 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

- COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - FINANCE/Bryan Eversgerd:

 - UTILITIES/Bob Berndsen:
 1. Approve hiring Jason Deering as Electric Manager with a beginning date of 6/26/23.

 - PUBLIC WORKS/Carl Ratermann:

 - PUBLIC SAFETY/Tim Schleper:

 - RECREATION/Jason Davinroy:

 - PUBLIC BUILDINGS/Gary Usselman:

- ZONING/Bill Fischer:

1. Ordinance – Adding territory to the Clinton County Enterprise Zone.

- HEALTH/Carl Ratermann:

- MAYOR'S REPORT:

1. Appoint Suann Fields – Alderman Ward 3

- OLD BUSINESS
- NEW BUSINESS
- ADJOURNMENT

BREESE CITY COUNCIL MEETING * JUNE 20, 2023

Minutes of the 4th Regular Meeting of the Breese City Council held on the above date.

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

City Officials: Public Works Mgr. Don Voss, Police Chief Mark Berndsen, Street Supervisor Tom Tebbe, Electric Operations Mgr. Jason Deering, EMS Operations Mgr. Allen Pollmann, Business Administrator Corey Richter, City Attorney Joanne Stevenson.

Press: None.

Visitors: Ron Foppe, Lauren Fields, Sophie & Trevor Schubert.

First order of business, the mayor appointed Suann Fields as Alderwoman in Ward 3, replacing her husband, Terry Fields who passed away May 1, 2023. Motion by Schleper, second by Eversgerd to approve the appointment. On roll call voting "aye": Jason Davinroy, Bryan Eversgerd, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Gary Usselmann. Absent: Bob Berndsen. Motion carried. Police Chief, Mark Berndsen swore-in Fields.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Motion by Davinroy, second by Eversgerd to approve the minutes of the meeting held on June 6, 2023 and place on file. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Ron Foppe asked permission to hold a 1- day event for the Clinton County BBQ Society for an Amateur BBQ competition. It will be held on September 9th, and they would like Cherry Street closed from N. 2nd to the alley. Motion by Eversgerd, second by Davinroy to approve the event. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE:

No report.

UTILITIES:

Mayor Timmermann appointed Jason Deering as Electric Operations Manager, with a start date of 6/26/23. Deering is replacing Dale Detmer, who will retire in August. Motion by Schleper, second by Fischer to approve appointment. On roll call voting "aye": Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Gary Usselmann, Jason Davinroy, Bryan Eversgerd, Suann Fields, Bill Fischer. Absent: Bob Berndsen. Motion carried.

Alderman Schleper reported Dale Detmer and Bob Berndsen are in Seattle from June 18-21. Utility Plant Operations Manager Dale Detmer received the "Seven Hats Award" recognizing his performance. The APPA Larry Hobart Seven Hats award recognizes managers who perform a variety of duties in communities of 2,500 or fewer electric meters. Congratulations to Dale!!

PUBLIC WORKS:

Rocking and oiling of streets will be done in Ward 3 on July 24th & 25th.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Chief Berndsen stated they will be entering a contract with Lexipol, which is a policy writer and daily training for the police department.

Alderman Schleper stated that Andrew Foster will have a demo ambulance here on the 29th for everyone to view.

RECREATION:

Alderman Davinroy stated the splash pad should be operational by the end of the week.

Park Board meeting June 28 @ 6:00 PM at Northside- park pavilion.

EMS golf tournament will be held August 5th, and they will be looking for hole sponsors. Anyone interested, contact the EMS department.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS:

No report.

ZONING:

Motion by Fischer, second by Eversgerd to approve ordinance adding territory to the Clinton County Enterprise Zone and Amending the Intergovernmental Agreement. Alderman Fischer stated they are adding a parcel in Albers to the Enterprise Zone. On roll call voting "aye": Tim Schleper, Gary Usselmann, Jason Davinroy, Bryan Eversgerd, Suann Fields, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann. Absent: Bob Berndsen. Motion carried.

HEALTH:

No report.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Timmermann reported that while Berndsen and Detmer are in Seattle, Dale Detmer was presented with a "7 Hats Award". He stated this is a prestigious award and is proud of Detmer for his achievement.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:


None.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Non-verbatim minutes taken by:


Sandy Hemann, City Clerk

CITY OF BREESE MEETING AGENDA

DATE: JULY 5, 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. Ed Cobau/IMUA - Scholarship presentation to Sydney Klemish
- COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - FINANCE/Bryan Eversgerd:
 - UTILITIES/Bob Berndsen:
 1. Ordinance – Appoint Jason Deering to IMEA Board of Directors.
 2. Award Schulte Supply water main extension for new water tower in the amount of \$52,285.06.
 - PUBLIC WORKS/Carl Ratermann:
 - PUBLIC SAFETY/Tim Schleper:
 1. Approve EMS full-time personnel raises.
 - RECREATION/Jason Davinroy:

- PUBLIC BUILDINGS/Gary Usselman:

1. Award roof bid for ambulance building to Crown Roofing & Exteriors in the amount of \$22,226.17.
2. Approve proposal for landscape rock at City Hall to Nova Outdoor Solutions in the amount of \$7,238.01.

- ZONING/Bill Fischer:

- HEALTH/Suann Fields:

- MAYOR'S REPORT
- OLD BUSINESS
- NEW BUSINESS
- ADJOURNMENT

BREESE CITY COUNCIL MEETING * JULY 5, 2023

Minutes of the 5th Regular Meeting of the Breese City Council held on the above date.

Aldermen in attendance: Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Bryan Eversgerd, Suann Fields, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Gary Usselmann. (Alderman Schleper arrived at 7:41 PM).

City Officials: Public Works Mgr. Don Voss, Police Chief Mark Berndsen, Electric Operations Mgrs. Jason Deering and Dale Detmer, EMS Operations Mgr. Allen Pollmann.

Press: Bryan Hunt, Breese Journal.

Visitors: Ed Cobau, DeeDee Bunch, Sydney, Matt & Christine Klemish, Connie Robben.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Motion by Berndsen, second by Davinroy to approve the minutes of the meeting held on June 20, 2023 and place on file. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Ed Cobau, Illinois Municipal Utility Association Scholarship Program Coordinator, presented a framed award certificate and a \$1,000 scholarship to Sydney Klemish, a Breese resident, and a Breese Central Community High School graduate. Klemish is one of four finalists whose energy-related essays were chosen by an IMUA judging panel. Her essay was based on the topic of The Benefits of Public Power. Congratulations to Sydney!

Connie Robben attended regarding the swim pool. Connie stated that Breese has one of the best swimming pools in the county. She stated, as a pool pass holder, she was recently disappointed that the pool was closed on a couple of dates that were regularly scheduled hours to be open. She said the pool is a great asset to the community and should be treated as such. Mayor Timmermann stated we were having some issues, but those have been addressed and the pool should run smoothly and be open for the rest of the summer.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE:

Alderman Eversgerd stated the city will be holding a public hearing on July 17th to discuss the appropriation ordinance for Fiscal 2024. The hearing will be held in City Hall at 7:00 PM. A copy of the draft ordinance is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk on July 7, 2023 during normal business hours.

UTILITIES:

Motion by Berndsen, second by Usselmann to approve an ordinance appointing Jason Deering to the IMEA Board of Directors. On roll call voting "aye": Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Brian Eversgerd, Suann Fields, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Gary Usselmann. Motion carried.

Motion by Berndsen, second by Ratermann to award the water main extension for the new water tower to Schulte Supply in the amount of \$42,285.06. On roll call voting "aye": Jason Davinroy, Brian Eversgerd, Suann Fields, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Gary Usselmann, Robert Berndsen. Motion carried.

Alderman Berndsen also reported on the storms over the weekend. The crews were out most of Friday night and Saturday were sent to Carlyle to assist them with damage. Alderman Berndsen lauded all the city employees for their hard work and dedication.

Alderman Berndsen reported Utility Plant Operations Manager Dale Detmer recently received the Larry Hobart "Seven Hats Award." The APPA Larry Hobart Seven Hats award recognizes managers who perform a variety of duties in communities of 2,500 or fewer electric meters. Dale ran the power plant, water plant and sewer plant in his years at the city. Detmer will be retiring in August this year. Congratulations to Dale!

PUBLIC WORKS:

Alderman Ratermann reported that rocking and oiling of streets will be done in Ward 3 on July 24th & 25th.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Motion by Schleper, second by Jason Davinroy to approve the EMS full-time personnel raises. On roll call voting "aye": Brian Eversgerd, Suann Fields, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Gary Usselmann, Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy. Motion carried.

Chief Berndsen stated the police forces were out assisting with the storms over the weekend and wanted to recognize them for the hard work and dedication.

Alderman Schleper reported the EMS golf scramble will be held on August 5th at Bent Oak Golf Course. Hole sponsorships and teams are needed.

RECREATION:

Alderman Davinroy stated Food Truck Friday is being held at Miner's Park this Friday.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS:

Motion by Usselmann, second by Schleper to award the roof bid for the ambulance building to Crown Roofing & Exteriors in the amount of \$22,226.17. On roll call voting "aye": Suann Fields, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Gary Usselmann, Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Brian Eversgerd. Motion carried.

Motion by Usselmann, second by Berndsen to approve the proposal for landscape rock at City Hall to Nova Outdoor Solutions in the amount of \$7,238.01. The rock is being replaced by bigger rock to alleviate the problem of breaking windows at City Hall due to mowing and weed eating. On roll call voting "aye": Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Gary Usselmann, Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Brian Eversgerd, Suann Fields. Motion carried.

ZONING:

Alderman Fischer reported there are two zoning hearings coming up. One on July 6th at 7:30 PM for a variance filed by Lucas Koopman to relax the front setback from 25' to 20'. The second is on July 20th at 7:30 PM filed by Scooter's Coffee for a variance to allow a fence to be placed on the property line between a C-2 and R-1 district.

HEALTH:

No report.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Timmermann wanted to thank all city crews on their great performance with the recent storms.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

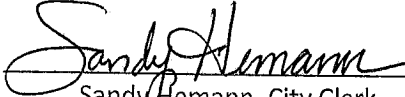
None.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Schleper, second by Berndsen to adjourn after no further business was brought before the council. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Meeting adjourned at 8:03 PM

Non-verbatim minutes taken by:


Sandy Hermann, City Clerk

CITY OF BREESE MEETING AGENDA

DATE: JULY 18, 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

- COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - FINANCE/Bryan Eversgerd:
 - 1. Approve Appropriation Ordinance for FY-2024.

 - UTILITIES/Bob Berndsen:

 - PUBLIC WORKS/Carl Ratermann:

 - PUBLIC SAFETY/Tim Schleper:

 - RECREATION/Jason Davinroy:

 - PUBLIC BUILDINGS/Gary Usselmann:

- ZONING/Bill Fischer:

1. Ordinance – Findings of Facts and Conclusion – Variance filed by Lucas Koopmann.
2. Ordinance – Variance filed by Lucas Koopmann.

- HEALTH/Suann Fields:

- MAYOR'S REPORT
- OLD BUSINESS
- NEW BUSINESS
- ADJOURNMENT

BREESE CITY COUNCIL MEETING * JULY 18, 2023

Minutes of the 6th Regular Meeting of the Breese City Council held on the above date.

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

City Officials: Public Works Mgr. Don Voss, Electric Operations Mgr. Jason Deering, Utility Plant Operations Mgr. Dale Detmer, Street Mgr. Tom Tebbe, Zoning Administrator John Becker, Clubhouse Mgr. Doug Schulte, Police Sgt. Kurt Detmer, City Attorney Joanne Stevenson.

Press: Bryan Hunt, Breese Journal.

Visitors: Lucas Koopmann.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Motion by Eversgerd, second by Davinroy to approve the minutes of the meeting held on July 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": Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Brian Eversgerd, Suann Fields, Bill Fischer. Absent: Gary Usselmann. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ZONING:

Motion by Fischer, second by Schleper to approve the Findings of Facts and Conclusion for a variance filed by Lucas Koopmann. On roll call voting "aye": Tim Schleper, Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Brian Eversgerd, Suann Fields, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann. Absent: Gary Usselmann. Motion carried.

Motion by Fischer, second by Davinroy to approve a variance filed by Lucas Koopmann, to relax the setback from 25' to 20' for a new home. On roll call voting "aye": Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Brian Eversgerd, Suann Fields, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper. Absent: Gary Usselmann. Motion carried.

Alderman Fischer reported there is a zoning hearing for a variance for Scooter's Coffee on 7/20/23 at 7:30 PM in City Hall.

FINANCE:

Motion by Eversgerd, second by Schleper to approve the appropriation ordinance for FY-2024. The total appropriation for FY-2024, is \$23,670,687.40. On roll call voting "aye": Jason Davinroy, Brian Eversgerd, Suann Fields, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Robert Berndsen. Absent: Gary Usselmann. Motion carried.

UTILITIES:

Public Works Manager Don Voss stated the construction permit for the new water tower was approved. He also stated the water line will be started this fall.

Alderman Berndsen reported that rocking and oiling of streets will be done in Ward 3 on July 24th & 25th. No parking signs will be posted.

PUBLIC WORKS:

No report.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Alderman Schleper noted that there is a leash law in the city and people need to keep their animals on a leash, especially in the parks.

Alderman Schleper reported the EMS golf scramble will be held on August 5th at Bent Oak Golf Course. Hole sponsorships and teams are needed.

RECREATION:

Alderman Davinroy noted the golf course is very busy, and it looks great. Clubhouse Mgr. Doug Schulte stated tournaments are booked from now through the second week of October. Davinroy thanked all the organizations who have booked tournaments.

Alderman Davinroy stated Food Truck Friday is being held at Miner's Park on Friday evenings.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS:

No report.

HEALTH:

Alderwoman Fields reported there is a meeting scheduled with Waste Management on August 1st at 4:00 PM.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

No report.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:


None.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:39 PM.

Non-verbatim minutes taken by:


Sandy Hemann, City Clerk

CITY OF BREESE MEETING AGENDA

DATE: AUGUST 1, 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. Tracey Session – ALS Collections
 2. Amy Strake – Alzheimer’s Collections on 8/25/23

- COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - FINANCE/Bryan Eversgerd:

 - UTILITIES/Bob Berndsen:

 - PUBLIC WORKS/Carl Ratermann:

 - PUBLIC SAFETY/Tim Schleper:

 - RECREATION/Jason Davinroy:

 - PUBLIC BUILDINGS/Gary Usselmann:

- ZONING/Bill Fischer:
 1. Findings of Fact – Scooter's Coffee Variance
 2. Variance – Scooter's Coffee

- HEALTH/Suann Fields:

- MAYOR'S REPORT
- OLD BUSINESS
- NEW BUSINESS
- ADJOURNMENT

BREESE CITY COUNCIL MEETING * AUGUST 1, 2023

Minutes of the 7th Regular Meeting of the Breese City Council held on the above date.

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

City Officials: Public Works Mgr. Don Voss, Utility Plant Operations Mgr. Dale Detmer, Street Mgr. Tom Tebbe, Zoning Administrator John Becker, Police Chief Mark Berndsen, City Attorney Joanne Stevenson.

Press: None.

Visitors: Tracey Session, Cheryl Kampwerth, Chris Hamilton, Bailey Wilson, Abby Niemeyer, Allye & Grant Boehne, Walker Mondt, Mike Fix, Lynn Fix, Chad Von Bokel.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Motion by Fischer, second by Berndsen to approve the minutes of the meeting held on July 18, 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": Brian Eversgerd, Suann Fields, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Gary Usselman, Bob Berndsen, Jason Davinroy. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mayor Timmermann called on Walker Mondt, the spokesperson for Breese Dog Park Committee. Walker handed out a proposal and outlined their plans for financing and building a dog park. Mayor Timmermann recommended they get on the agenda for the next finance meeting, on August 14, and he will be able to explain future plans at that time.

Tracey Session requested permission to collect for ALS on September 29 at the intersection of Old Rt. 50 and St. Rose Road. It was questioned if liability insurance is required. City Clerk to contact our IML insurance agent to inquire about this. Motion by Eversgerd, second by Davinroy to approve solicitation, with the stipulation of liability insurance. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Amy Strake was not in attendance.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ZONING:

Motion by Fischer, second by Eversgerd to approve the Findings of Facts and Conclusion for a Variance filed by BV Legacy Partners LLC. On roll call voting "aye": Suann Fields, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Gary Usselmann, Bob Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Bryan Eversgerd. Motion carried.

Motion by Fischer, second by Schleper to approve a variance filed by BV Legacy Partners LLC, to install a fence within 2' of the property line. On roll call voting "aye": Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Gary Usselmann, Bob Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Bryan Eversgerd, Suann Fields. Motion carried.

Alderman Fischer reported there is a zoning hearing on August 3rd for a variance to relax the front setback from 25' to 20' for Robert & Cheri Florczyk at 221 N. 13th street. The hearing time is 7:30 PM in City Hall.

FINANCE:

No Report.

UTILITIES:

Alderman Berndsen reported on the storm Saturday. We had no major issues, just some limbs on the power lines that caused the outage.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Alderman Ratermann reported that rock & oiling of driveways and alleys is set for September 28th and October 2nd. Contact City Hall for applications.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Alderman Schleper reported the EMS golf scramble will be held on August 5th at Bent Oak Golf Course. They have 15 morning and 15 afternoon teams at this time. Donations are still being accepted.

Chief Berndsen stated there was a small problem with Code Red on the monthly testing. He will contact Code Red to get it fixed.

RECREATION:

Alderman Davinroy stated the swimming pool is open and running smoothly.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS:

Alderman Usselmann stated the new rock was installed in the City Hall landscaping last week.

HEALTH:

Alderwoman Fields stated the committee met with Waste Management today regarding the upcoming trash contract. Waste Management will be making some changes regarding recycling starting in January. We will also be meeting with Republic.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

No report.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM.

Non-verbatim minutes taken by:


Sandy Hemann, City Clerk

CITY OF BREESE MEETING AGENDA

DATE: AUGUST 15, 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. Amy Strake – Alzheimer's Collection on 8/25/23

- COMMITTEE REPORTS:
 - FINANCE/Bryan Eversgerd:

 - UTILITIES/Bob Berndsen:
 - 1. Approve New Holland lawnmower purchase from MTS in the amount of \$17,450.00 for sewer department.

 - PUBLIC WORKS/Carl Ratermann:

 - PUBLIC SAFETY/Tim Schleper:

 - RECREATION/Jason Davinroy:

 - PUBLIC BUILDINGS/Gary Usselmann:

- ZONING/Bill Fischer:
 1. Findings of Fact – Robert Florczyk
 2. Variance – Robert Florczyk

- HEALTH/Suann Fields:

- MAYOR'S REPORT
- OLD BUSINESS
- NEW BUSINESS
- ADJOURNMENT

BREESE CITY COUNCIL MEETING * AUGUST 15, 2023

Minutes of the 8th Regular Meeting of the Breese City Council held on the above date.

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

City Officials: Public Works Mgr. Don Voss, Street Mgr. Tom Tebbe, Electric Operations Mgr. Jason Deering, Business Administrator Corey Richter, Zoning Administrator John Becker, Police Chief Mark Berndsen, Clubhouse Mgr. Doug Schulte, City Attorney Joanne Stevenson.

Press: Bryan Hunt, Breese Journal

Visitors: Robert Florczyk, Amy Strake, Pat Jansen, Kim Rakers, Tony Antonacci.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Motion by Eversgerd, second by Usselmann to approve the minutes of the meeting held on August 1, 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, Schleper, Usselmann, Berndsen, Davinroy, Eversgerd, Fischer. Absent: Fields. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Amy Strake with the Villa's at St. James asked permission to solicit donations at the 4-ways for Alzheimer's Awareness on August 25, 2023, from 11:00 – 1:00. Motion by Fischer, second by Davinroy to allow solicitation. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Pat Jansen with the Knights of Columbus asked permission to solicit donations at the 4-ways for their IDF Drive (Tootsie Roll Drive) on September 15 & 16, 2023. Motion by Davinroy, second by Eversgerd to approve solicitation. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Kim Rakers with Central Community High School explained they are having their homecoming parade on September 24, 2023, at 1:00 PM. The parade was approved at a previous meeting, but the parade route did not work. Kim explained she worked with Chief Berndsen, and a new route has been set. The council approved the route and date.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ZONING:

Motion by Fischer, second by Eversgerd to approve the Findings of Facts and Conclusion for a Variance filed by Robert and Cheri Florczyk. On roll call voting "aye": Schleper, Usselmann, Berndsen, Davinroy, Eversgerd, Fischer, Carl Ratermann. Absent: Fields. Motion carried.

Motion by Fischer, second by Schleper to approve a variance filed Robert and Cheri Florczyk, to relax the 25' setback allowance from the front lot lines to 20' for the purpose of constructing an unattached garage. On roll call voting "aye": Usselmann, Berndsen, Davinroy, Eversgerd, Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Schleper. Absent: Fields. Motion carried.

Alderman Fischer reported there is a zoning hearing on August 31st at 7:30 PM in City Hall. The variance is to allow a 22' high free-standing garage in an R-1 district. Variance filed by Brian Papa.

FINANCE:

No report.

UTILITIES:

Motion by Berndsen, second by Schleper to purchase a new Holand lawnmower from MTS in the amount of \$17,450 for the sewer department. On roll call voting "aye": Berndsen, Davinroy, Eversgerd, Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Schleper, Usselmann. Absent: Fields. Motion carried.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Alderman Ratermann reported street crews are working on the sidewalk by the Legion and work should be complete by Friday.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Alderman Schleper thanked everyone for their participation and donations for the EMS golf scramble. He stated that approximately \$12,000 was raised and will be used for new radios.

Schleper also noted that school begins tomorrow, and for everyone to be careful and aware of the school age children on the streets and sidewalks.

RECREATION:

Alderman Davinroy stated there is a town hall meeting schedule on September 12th at 7:00 PM at the Breeze K of C Hall. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss a dog park in the city.

Davinroy also reported there is a Park Board meeting on August 23rd at 6:00 PM in City Hall.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS:

No report.

HEALTH:

No report.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Timmermann stated the town hall meeting is for anyone who has questions or comments regarding the dog park. He encouraged everyone who has any interest in the dog park to attend this informational meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:44 PM.

Non-verbatim minutes taken by:


Sandy Hemann, City Clerk

CITY OF BREESE MEETING AGENDA

DATE: September 5, 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

- MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT:
 - 1. Appoint Trevor Schubert as Business Administrator effective 9/5/23

- COMMITTEE REPORTS:
 - FINANCE/Bryan Eversgerd:

 - UTILITIES/Bob Berndsen:
 - 1. Ordinance Authorizing Disposal of Surplus Personal Property owned by the City of Breese

 - PUBLIC WORKS/Carl Ratermann:

 - PUBLIC SAFETY/Tim Schleper:

 - 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 5, 2023

Minutes of the 9th Regular Meeting of the Breese City Council held on the above date.

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

City Officials: Public Works Mgr. Don Voss, Street Mgr. Tom Tebbe, Electric Operations Mgr. Jason Deering, Business Admin. Corey Richter, Business Admin. Trevor Schubert, EMS Operations Mgr. Allen Pollmann, Police Sgt. Kurt Detmer, City Attorney Joanne Stevenson.

Press: Bryan Hunt, Breese Journal

Visitors: None.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Motion by Fischer, second by Berndsen to approve the minutes of the meeting held on August 15, 2023, and place on file. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT:

Mayor Timmermann appointed Trevor Schubert as Business Administrator, with a starting date of 9/5/23. Motion by Schleper, second by Davinroy to approve appointment. On roll call voting "aye": Berndsen, Davinroy, Fischer, Ratermann, Schleper, Usselmann. Absent: Eversgerd, Fields. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE:

No report.

UTILITIES:

Motion by Berndsen, second by Usselmann to pass an ordinance authorizing disposal of surplus personal property owned by the City of Breese. On roll call voting "aye": Davinroy, Fischer, Ratermann, Schleper, Usselmann, Berndsen. Absent: Eversgerd, Fields. Motion carried.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Alderman Ratermann reported city wide clean up day has been set for October 14th at the street department from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Alderman Schleper reported the city has implemented an additional storm warning system that is linked to the national weather service. When a tornado or severe thunderstorm warning is issued, the national weather service will notify the Code Red system, and automatically send out a warning to those who have signed up. To receive the warnings, you need to go to the city's website and sign up.

RECREATION:

No report.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS:

No report.

HEALTH:

No report.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Timmermann reported the pool is closed, and current manager, Angie Gibson, will be returning next year.

OLD BUSINESS:

Reminder that the town hall meeting for the proposed dog park will be held on Tuesday, September 12th at 7:00 PM at the K of C Hall.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

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


The meeting was adjourned at 7:43 PM.

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

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

CITY OF BREESE MEETING AGENDA

DATE: OCTOBER 3, 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. Joe Heinzmann/Lion's Club Candy Day Drive
 2. Janice Beckemeyer/Dog Park
 3. Marge Beckmann/Dog Park

- COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - FINANCE/Bryan Eversgerd:

 - UTILITIES/Bob Berndsen:
 1. IMUA/IMEA Regional Seminar 11/16/23 in Collinsville at 6:30 PM

 - PUBLIC WORKS/Carl Ratermann:

 - PUBLIC SAFETY/Tim Schleper:
 1. Approve Contract Amendment Processing Medicaid Cost Recovery Services GEMT Funding
 2. Approve Intergovernmental Agreement between IL. Dept. of Healthcare and Family Services and City of Breese 2024.

 - RECREATION/Jason Davinroy:

- PUBLIC BUILDINGS/Gary Usselman:

- ZONING/Bill Fischer:

- HEALTH/Suann Fields:

1. Leaf Dump will open 10/11/23 – 12/16/23 on Wednesdays & Sundays Noon-4:00, and Saturdays 10:00 – 4:00.

- MAYOR'S REPORT
- OLD BUSINESS
- NEW BUSINESS
- ADJOURNMENT

BREESE CITY COUNCIL MEETING * OCTOBER 3, 2023

Minutes of the 11th Regular Meeting of the Breese City Council held on the above date.

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

City Officials: Electric Operations Mgr. Jason Deering, Street & Drainage Supervisor Tom Tebbe, EMS Operations Mgr. Allen Pollmann, Police Chief Mark Berndsen, Business Admin. Trevor Schubert, Golf Course Supt. Paul Smith, Clubhouse Mgr. Doug Schulte, Payroll Clerk Kim Wiegmann, City Attorney Joanne Stevenson

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

Visitors: Dale & Geri Detmer, Joe Heinzmann, Kurt Ripperda, Charlie Hilmes, Wendy Heimann, Brandi Oliver, Alexa Crocker, Reese Hempen.

Mayor Timmermann paid respects to former Mayor Don Maue, who passed away recently. He asked for a moment of silence in respect to Don.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Motion by Davinroy, second by Berndsen to approve the minutes of the meeting held on September 19, 2023, and place on file. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mayor Timmermann recognized students from Mr. Meyers social studies class.

Mayor Timmermann called on Joe Heinzmann and Curt Ripperda with the Breese Lions Club. Mr. Heinzmann requested that a proclamation be signed, proclaiming October 13th as Candy Day. Proceeds to benefit the Siteman Hearing Impaired, community projects and other humanitarian services. Motion by Fischer, second by Ratermann to approve said proclamation. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Brandi Oliver, representing the Breese Chamber of Commerce, asked permission to hold the Pumpkin Trail again this year. It will be held on October 30th on Main Street. She stated the event will be the same as last year, with no changes. Motion by Schleper, second by Davinroy to approve the Pumpkin Trail event. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

At this time, Mayor Timmermann recognized Dale Detmer's retirement. September 29th was Dale's last day working for the city. He was with the city for 30 years, starting as a water operator and moving up to Plant Operations Manager. Mayor Timmermann lauded Detmer for his service to the city and with IMEA/IMUA, stating "he represented the city well". Mayor Timmermann presented Detmer with a plaque and gift card.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE:

No report.

UTILITIES:

Alderman Berndsen stated IMUA/IMEA regional seminar will be held on 11/16/23 in Collinsville at 6:30 PM. The subject this year being an update on what's going on pertaining to public power. All city officials are invited, and the mayor encouraged all aldermen to attend.

PUBLIC WORKS:

No report.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Motion by Schleper, second by Usselmann to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement between IL Dept. of Healthcare and Family Services and the City of Breese. The agreement is a program that works with municipalities who work with Medicaid, to recoup some of their losses. Business Administrator Trevor Schubert stated it is a way to get increased rates on Medicaid transports so the revenue will more reflect the cost of the services incurred. On roll call voting "aye": Fields, Fischer, Ratermann, Schleper, Usselmann, Berndsen, Davinroy. Absent: Eversgerd. Motion carried.

Motion by Schleper, second by Fields to approve the contract amendment processing Medicaid cost recovery services GEMT funding. The contract is with Mediclaims, our billing provider, to work with Public Consulting group to prepare cost reports. On roll call voting "aye": Fischer, Ratermann, Schleper, Usselmann, Berndsen, Davinroy, Fields. Absent: Eversgerd. Motion carried.

Police Chief Berndsen stated all the weekend events, including the 2 homecoming parades, went very smoothly, with no issues. He also said he received a complaint about people not stopping at the marked crosswalks in town. He reiterated that it is state law that traffic must stop at these crosswalks.

EMS Operations Mgr. Allen Pollmann stated our new ambulance went into service on 10/2/23.

RECREATION:

Alderman Davinroy thanked the park and city workers on the great job they did in making the Optimist Fallfest a success. The Optimist Club did a great job organizing this event and everyone had a great time with great entertainment. Kudos to all involved!

Davinroy also stated the Lift for Life event held on 9/24/23 was a very nice event with bands and entertainment for everyone. The event was a success with a great job done by the organizers.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS:

No report.

HEALTH:

Alderwoman Fields stated the leaf dump will be opening on 10/11/23 – 12/16/23 on Wednesdays & Sundays, noon-4:00, and Saturdays from 10:00-4:00. Fields stated the location is the same as previous years. A city worker will be on-site for assistance, if needed.

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

MAYOR'S REPORT:

None.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Schleper 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 7:55 PM.

Non-verbatim minutes taken by:


Sandy Hemann, City Clerk

CITY OF BREESE MEETING AGENDA

DATE OCTOBER 17, 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. Jarod Thompson – Violence Prevention Rental Unit

- COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - FINANCE/Bryan Eversgerd:

 - UTILITIES/Bob Berndsen:

 - PUBLIC WORKS/Carl Ratermann:
 1. Resolution – Authorizing the Appropriation of Funding to Complete the Mine Street Improvement Project

 - PUBLIC SAFETY/Tim Schleper:


 - RECREATION/Jason Davinroy:



- PUBLIC BUILDINGS/Gary Usselman:

- ZONING/Bill Fischer:

- HEALTH/Suann Fields:

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- MAYOR'S REPORT
 - OLD BUSINESS
 - NEW BUSINESS
 - ADJOURNMENT

BREESE CITY COUNCIL MEETING * OCTOBER 17, 2023

Minutes of the 12th Regular Meeting of the Breese City Council held on the above date.

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

City Officials: Electric Operations Mgr. Jason Deering, Police Chief Mark Berndsen, Business Admin. Trevor Schubert, City Attorney Joanne Stevenson.

Press: Chris Streetman, Union Banner.

Visitors: Jarod Thompson, Claire Bingman, Averie Catlin.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Motion by Berndsen, second by Usselmann to approve the minutes of the meeting held on October 3, 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, Schleper, Usselmann, Berndsen, Davinroy, Eversgerd, Fields, Fischer. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mayor Timmermann welcomed students from Mr. Meyers social studies class.

Jarod Thompson addressed the council stating he is the owner of several rental units, and he has dedicated one unit as a violence prevention rental unit. He offers 3 months free rent for victims of either fire, abuse, etc. He asked if it is possible for the city to donate utilities, since there is no other assistance of this kind within the county. Mayor Timmermann explained that our ordinance states we are not allowed to give free utilities. City Attorney Joanne Stevenson to review the ordinance to see exactly what it states and advise us of her findings. Mayor Timmermann stated will get back with Mr. Thompson at that time. Alderman Usselmann commended Mr. Thompson on what he is doing, and stated there are private organizations that help as well and mentioned Covenant House.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE:

No report.



UTILITIES:

No report.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Motion by Ratermann, second by Davinroy to approve a resolution authorizing the appropriation of funding to complete Mine Street Improvement Project. On roll call voting "aye": Schleper, Usselmann, Berndsen, Davinroy, Eversgerd, Fields, Fischer, Ratermann. Motion carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Alderman Schleper reported Halloween trick or treating will be on the 31st from 6-8 PM for grade school aged children. He also confirmed with Chief Berndsen that everything is squared away and ready for the downtown Halloween celebration on Main Street on the 28th.



RECREATION:

No report.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS:

No report.

HEALTH:

No report.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Timmermann stated that on November 7th, the council will be voting on the location of the dog park.

Alderman Schleper said he got questioned on whether the dog park committee could continue to accept donations for the dog park. It was discussed and decided they can, but it is up to them if they want to wait until after the vote.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

The meeting was adjourned at 7:41 PM.

Non-verbatim minutes taken by:


Sandy Hemann, City Clerk

CITY OF BREESE MEETING AGENDA

DATE: NOVEMBER 7, 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

- COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - FINANCE/Bryan Eversgerd:

 - UTILITIES/Bob Berndsen:

 - PUBLIC WORKS/Carl Ratermann:

 - PUBLIC SAFETY/Tim Schleper:
 - 1. Ordinance – Disposing of Surplus Personal property 2013 Chevy 4500 Ambulance

 - RECREATION/Jason Davinroy:
 - 1. Approve location of a dog park in the City of Breese

 - PUBLIC BUILDINGS/Gary Usselman:

- ZONING/Bill Fischer:
 - 1. Zoning hearing November 9th @ 7:30 PM in City Hall for a variance to relax the 11th street side setback to 17'

- HEALTH/Suann Fields:

- MAYOR'S REPORT:
 - 1. Appoint Mallory Hamilton to the Park Board

- OLD BUSINESS
- NEW BUSINESS
- ADJOURNMENT

BREESE CITY COUNCIL MEETING * November 7, 2023

Minutes of the 13th Regular Meeting of the Breese City Council held on the above date.

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

City Officials: Public Works Mgr. Don Voss, Electric Operations Mgr. Jason Deering, Police Chief Mark Berndsen, Business Admin. Trevor Schubert, Golf Supt. Paul Smith, EMS Operations Mgr. Allen Pollmann, Street Supt. Tom Tebbe, City Attorney Joanne Stevenson.

Press: Matt Wilson, Union Banner
Bryan Hunt, Breese Journal

Visitors: Grant & Allye Boehne, Mallory Hamilton, Lisa Clatterbuck, Sara Boulware, Mallory Detmer, Zane Bade, Derek VonBokel, Dylan & Abby Brauer, Walker Mondt.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Motion by Fischer, second by Davinroy to approve the minutes of the meeting held on October 17, 2023, and place on file. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mayor Timmermann asked if anyone would like to speak. Lisa Clatterbuck stated she would like to say that the young generation has come forward and made a valiant effort to try to place a dog park at the north park. However, she does believe they weren't given the chance to speak and be heard at the latest park board meeting.

The mayor asked for a motion to approve the dog park be placed at the north park location. Motion by Schleper. No second. Alderman Schleper rescinded his motion.

Motion by Schleper, second by Eversgerd to table the decision of the location of the dog park. On roll call voting "aye": Berndsen, Davinroy, Eversgerd, Fields, Schleper. Voting "nay": Fischer, Usselmann. Absent: Ratermann. Motion carried.

Mayor Timmermann asked for a committee to be made up of 4 aldermen, 4 dog park committee members, and a park board member. He assigned Davinroy, Eversgerd, Fields and Schleper to the committee, making Schleper the committee chairman. The committee to meet to come up with a

location everyone will hopefully agree on. Committee to meet in November and have a decision by January 2024. It is the hope that both groups can compromise and come up with an agreeable location.

Mayor Timmermann appointed Mallory Hamilton to the park board. Motion by Davinroy, second by Eversgerd to approve the appointment. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote. Mayor Timmermann thanked Hamilton for stepping up and volunteering her time.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE:

No report.

UTILITIES:

No report.

PUBLIC WORKS:

No report.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Motion by Schleper, second by Berndsen to approve an ordinance to dispose of surplus personal property, 2013 Chevy 4500 ambulance. On roll call voting "aye": Davinroy, Eversgerd, Fields, Fischer, Schleper, Usselman, Berndsen. Absent: Ratermann. Motion carried.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS:

No report.

ZONING:

Alderman Fischer report there is a zoning hearing for a variance on November 9th at 7:30 PM in city hall for a variance to relax the 11th street side setback to 17' at 1104 Meadowlark Lane.

HEALTH:

No report.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Timmermann congratulated Mater Dei and Central High Schools in their post season play. Both schools' football teams are in the final 8, and Mater Dei volleyball is going to state. Good luck to the teams!

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM

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

CITY OF BREESE MEETING AGENDA

DATE: NOVEMBER 21, 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

- COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - FINANCE/Bryan Eversgerd:
 - 1. IML/RMA Min/Max

 - UTILITIES/Bob Berndsen:

 - PUBLIC WORKS/Carl Ratermann:
 - 1. Contract – 12th Street Roundabout - \$201,326.00
 - 2. IDOT Resolution – N. Mine Street
 - 3. Clearwave Dispute

 - PUBLIC SAFETY/Tim Schleper:

 - RECREATION/Jason Davinroy:

 - PUBLIC BUILDINGS/Gary Usselmann:

- ZONING/Bill Fischer:
 - 1. Findings of Fact-Chris Dorries
 - 2. Variance-Chris Dorries
 - 3. Rakers Farm Subdivision Plat

- HEALTH/Suann Fields:

- MAYOR'S REPORT
- OLD BUSINESS
- NEW BUSINESS
- ADJOURNMENT

BREESE CITY COUNCIL MEETING * NOVEMBER 21, 2023

Minutes of the 14th Regular Meeting of the Breese City Council held on the above date.

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

City Officials: Public Works Mgr. Don Voss, Electric Operations Mgr. Jason Deering, Police Chief Mark Berndsen, Business Admin. Trevor Schubert, Golf Supt. Paul Smith, Clubhouse Mgr. Doug Schulte, EMS Operations Mgr. Allen Pollmann, Street Supt. Tom Tebbe, Zoning Admin. John Becker.

Press: Bryan Hunt, Breese Journal

Visitors: Eric Little, Brad Hoffman, Alek Sopiars, Chris Dorries, Taylor Koetting.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Motion by Berndsen, second by Davinroy to approve the minutes of the meeting held on November 7, 2023, and place on file. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT:

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ZONING:

Motion by Fischer, second by Schleper to approve the findings of fact and conclusion for a variance filed by Chris Dorries. On roll call voting "aye": Fields, Fischer, Ratermann, Schleper, Berndsen, Davinroy, Eversgerd. Absent: Usselmann. Motion carried.

Motion by Fischer, second by Davinroy to approve a variance filed by Chris Dorries to relax the 25' minimum setback on a corner lot to 17' for the purpose of constructing an attached garage. On roll call voting "aye": Fischer, Ratermann, Schleper, Berndsen, Davinroy, Eversgerd, Fields. Absent: Usselmann. Motion carried.

Motion by Fischer, second by Schleper to approve the Rakers Farm Subdivision Plat. The property is located on Rod & Gun Road. On roll call voting "aye": Ratermann, Schleper, Berndsen, Davinroy, Eversgerd, Fields, Fischer. Absent: Usselmann. Motion carried.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Alek Sopiars with Clearwave stated the check to Gerstner Plumbing to repair the damage caused on N. 11th & Cherry St. was cut on Friday and should arrive by Wednesday or Friday this week. He stated that all crews have been pulled until after the check is received. He also stated the previous issue with damaged driveways is in the planning stage. He will contact the city when they are ready to start. The mayor thanked Alek for his time and resolution to this matter.

FINANCE:

Taylor Koetting, the city's IMLRMA insurance agent, introduced Brad Hoffman and Eric Little, representatives of IML Risk Management. Taylor handed out a status report showing the city's IMLRMA Min/Max claim data from 2013-2023 and reviewed ongoing and closed claims. He stated over the 10 years, the city has saved \$216,688.00 by taking the Min/Max.

Motion by Eversgerd, second by Davinroy to approve the IML/RMA Min/Max ordinance. On roll call voting "aye": Schleper, Berndsen, Davinroy, Eversgerd, Fields, Fischer, Ratermann. Absent: Usselmann. Motion carried.

UTILITIES:

Alderman Berndsen reminded citizens that the city is once again offering the \$25.00 Christmas light credit. Residents should call city hall to get signed up. We ask citizens to turn their lights on the day after Thanksgiving through January 3rd.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Motion by Ratermann, second by Berndsen to approve the 12th street roundabout contract with HMG, in the amount of \$201,326.00. On roll call voting "aye": Berndsen, Davinroy, Eversgerd, Fields, Fischer, Ratermann, Schleper. Absent: Usselmann. Motion carried.

Motion by Ratermann, second by Schleper to approve the IDOT Resolution for N. Mine St. Alderman Ratermann noted that a previous resolution was passed, but some paperwork was missing. On roll call voting "aye": Davinroy, Eversgerd, Fields, Fischer, Ratermann, Schleper, Berndsen. Absent: Usselmann. Motion carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

No report.

RECREATION:

Alderman Davinroy stated the Christmas parade is Saturday the 25th at 6:00 PM.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS:

No report.

HEALTH:

No report.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Timmermann congratulated Mater Dei and Central High Schools in their post season play. He also congratulated the Mater Dei girls' volleyball team on winning the Class 2A state championship. A lot of pride and enjoyment for all the folks in the county.

The mayor also stated that this Saturday is "small business Saturday" in town. Please do your shopping locally to support these businesses.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

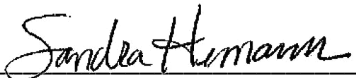
NEW BUSINESS:

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

The meeting was adjourned at 7:52 PM.

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

CITY OF BREESE MEETING AGENDA

DATE DECEMBER 5, 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

- COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - FINANCE/Bryan Eversgerd:
 - 1. Ordinance adopting a Revised Code of Ordinances

 - UTILITIES/Bob Berndsen:

 - PUBLIC WORKS/Carl Ratermann:

 - PUBLIC SAFETY/Tim Schleper:
 - 1. Ordinance Authorizing Intergovernmental Agreement for Participation in the Mutual Aid Box Alarm System (MABAS)

 - RECREATION/Jason Davinroy:
 - 1. Approve Purchase of Lawn Mower for the Park from MTS in the Amount of \$22,079.00

- PUBLIC BUILDINGS/Gary Usselman:

- ZONING/Bill Fischer:

- HEALTH/Suann Fields:

- MAYOR'S REPORT
- OLD BUSINESS
- NEW BUSINESS
- ADJOURNMENT

BREESE CITY COUNCIL MEETING * DECEMBER 5, 2023

Minutes of the 15th Regular Meeting of the Breese City Council held on the above date.

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

City Officials: Public Works Mgr. Don Voss, Police Chief Mark Berndsen, Business Admin. Trevor Schubert, Golf Supt. Paul Smith, EMS Operations Mgr. Allen Pollmann, Street Supt. Tom Tebbe, City Attorney Joanne Stevenson.

Press: None.

Visitors: Chelsy Guardian, Oswaldo Guardian.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Motion by Eversgerd, second by Fischer to approve the minutes of the meeting held on November 21, 2023, and place on file. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mayor Timmermann welcomed students from Mr. Meyers social studies class.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE:

Motion by Eversgerd, second by Usselmann to approve an ordinance adopting a revised code of ordinances. This revision includes all ordinances passed since 2021, when it was last updated. On roll call voting "aye": Fields, Fischer, Berndsen, Usselmann, Davinroy, Eversgerd. Absent: Ratermann, Schleper. Motion carried.

UTILITIES:

No report.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Street Supt. Tom Tebbe stated the golf course project is on hold due to an equipment breakdown. Work will resume when the excavator is fixed.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Motion by Usselmann, second by Eversgerd to approve an ordinance authorizing the intergovernmental agreement of participation in the mutual aid box alarm system (MABAS). This is a renewal of the past agreement that expired. On roll call voting "aye": Fischer, Berndsen, Usselmann, Davinroy, Eversgerd, Fields. Absent: Ratermann, Schleper. Motion carried.

Chief Berndsen stated there is a grant available for the purchase, implementation and training for body cameras which are required by 2025. The application must be filed by 3/4/24. More information to follow at the next finance meeting.

RECREATION:

Motion by Davinroy, second by Berndsen to approve the purchase of a new lawn mower for the park department from MTS in the amount of \$22,079.00. On roll call voting "aye": Berndsen, Usselmann, Davinroy, Eversgerd, Fields, Fischer. Absent: Ratermann, Schleper. Motion carried.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS:

No report.

ZONING:

No report.

HEALTH:

No report.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Timmermann received a letter from St. Dominic/St. Augustine cemetery committee thanking the public works, specifically Don Voss and Tom Tebbe for their recent help at the cemetery. Their help was very much appreciated.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

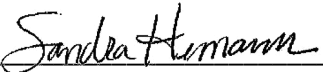
NEW BUSINESS:

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

The meeting was adjourned at 7:41 PM.

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

CITY OF BREESE MEETING AGENDA

DATE: DECEMBER 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

- COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - FINANCE/Bryan Eversgerd:
 - 1. Tax Levy Ordinance

 - UTILITIES/Bob Berndsen:

 - PUBLIC WORKS/Carl Ratermann:
 - 1. Material Bid Letting Results 2024

 - PUBLIC SAFETY/Tim Schleper:

 - RECREATION/Jason Davinroy:

 - PUBLIC BUILDINGS/Gary Usselman:

 - ZONING/Bill Fischer:

- HEALTH/Suann Fields:
 - 1. 2024 Health Insurance Renewal

- MAYOR'S REPORT
- OLD BUSINESS
- NEW BUSINESS
- ADJOURNMENT

BREESE CITY COUNCIL MEETING * DECEMBER 19, 2023

Minutes of the 16th Regular Meeting of the Breese City Council held on the above date.

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

City Officials: Public Works Mgr. Don Voss, Police Chief Mark Berndsen, Business Admin. Trevor Schubert, Clubhouse Mgr. Doug Schulte, EMS Operations Mgr. Allen Pollmann, Electric Operations Mgr. Jason Deering, City Attorney Joanne Stevenson.

Press: Bryan Hunt.

Visitors: None.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

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

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

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE:

Motion by Eversgerd, second by Schleper to approve the Tax Levy ordinance. On roll call voting "aye": Davinroy, Eversgerd, Fields, Fischer, Ratermann, Schleper, Berndsen. Absent: Usselmann. Motion carried.

UTILITIES:

No report.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Motion by Ratermann, second by Eversgerd to approve the material bid letting results as follows: Concrete \$133/yard, CA-6 rock \$12.28/ton, CA-7 rock \$18.18/ton. All bids were awarded to Beelman, as they were the low bidder. On roll call voting "aye": Eversgerd, Fields, Fischer, Ratermann, Schleper, Berndsen, Davinroy. Absent: Usselmann. Motion carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Alderman Schleper ask residents to keep an eye on their neighbors with the cold weather, to make sure everyone stays safe.

RECREATION:

Alderman Davinroy thanked the park workers and volunteers for their hard work on the Christmas lighting. It looks fabulous!

Clubhouse Manager Doug Schulte stated the golf course is winding down for the year, with a few parties still booked. He stated it has been a prosperous year.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS:

No report.

ZONING:

No report.

HEALTH:

Motion by Fields, second by Schleper to approve extending the current provider, United Healthcare for the month of January, while we finish the negotiations with the new provider. On roll call voting "aye": Fields, Fischer, Ratermann, Schleper, Berndsen, Davinroy, Eversgerd. Absent: Usselmann. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Timmermann wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a happy and safe new year. He thanked everyone for their hard work and dedication to the city in 2023.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

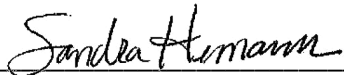
NEW BUSINESS:

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

The meeting was adjourned at 7:38 PM.

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