

## **FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING \* APRIL 15, 2024**

Minutes of the finance committee meeting of the Breese City Council held on the above date.

Mayor Kevin Timmermann called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

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

City Officials: Public Works Mgr. Don Voss, Business Admin. Trevor Schubert, Police Chief Mark Berndsen, Golf Superintendent Paul Smith, EMS Operations Mgr. Allen Pollmann, City Treasurer Robert Venhaus, City Attorney Joanne Stevenson.

Visitors: Kerry Porter, Pam Voss, Jerome Timmermann.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Kerry Porter with the Chamber of Commerce asked the council if the city would be willing to put a drop-down box on our website to their chamber site and to update events for them. The council agreed to do this for no charge. Kerry will contact Monica Mensing to work out the details.

Jerry Timmermann attended and spoke on an insurance claim he has regarding flooding to his building. He explained the events that he believes caused the flooding. He stated he has no issue with the city, as he believes they have been very cooperative. Timmermann stated he has not gotten satisfaction with the city's insurance which is IML Risk Management. Currently, he feels he has no alternative other than to hire a lawyer and sue. The mayor stated we will contact our insurance agent to investigate the issue and find a resolution. The mayor to contact Mr. Timmermann by 4/22/24.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **PUBLIC WORKS:**

- MFT FY-2025 bid results are as follows: \$2.85/gallon for seal coat Oil, HFE-150 from Illiana Construction, and \$25.95/ton for Blast Furnace Slag, CA/CM-13 from Beelman Logistics LLC. Bid results are to be approved at the council meeting Tuesday.

### **UTILITIES:**

- IMEA Purchase Agreement – is on the agenda for approval tomorrow night.
- Water Operator – Mitchell Pollmann put in his resignation. We will be accepting applications until May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Will decide on interviewees on 5/7/24 and set an interview date.
- Lead Service Line Survey was submitted today. We have 2 lead lines and 5 unknown lines. Don solicited contractors to replace the lead line and the cost will be approximately \$1,350 each. The council agreed to have the lines replaced using Don's choice of contractor.

### **PUBLIC SAFETY:**

- Crime Stoppers are buying 2 flock cameras to be placed on Germantown Road and S. Walnut Street.
- Jim Astroth to install cameras on Main Street in 4 locations, and he will install internet access points by Kalmer HVAC on Walnut Street. Total project cost is estimated at \$6,080.00.

### **AMBULANCE:**

- Billable runs – motion by Berndsen, second by Davinroy to approve the billable runs for March 2024. Motion carried by voice vote.

### **RECREATION:**

- Swim Pool – met with Angie to discuss changes in policy and fees for the upcoming season. The meeting went well and will meet again in a couple weeks.
- Dog Park – will decide on location at council meeting tomorrow night.
- MTS has a used 2021 bush hog for the golf course for \$2,750. The council agreed to purchase.
- Paul would like to sod the cart path project areas. Since that area floods, he would like to use Bermuda sod as it is more resilient. The cost would be \$23,760 including installation and will be available in June or possibly sooner. The council agreed to add this cost to the FY-2025 budget.

### **BUSINESS ADMINISTATOR:**

- Joe's Pizza redevelopment agreement. Eligible costs are \$431,460.00. This is to be paid back at 80% of property tax for the life of the TIF, or until paid off.
- Joe's Pizza business district agreement will paid at 80% of collected business district tax, with a maximum cost of \$114,178 or 25% of total project costs, for the life of the Business District or until paid off.
- PGAV contract to develop a new site-specific TIF & Business District at the ProBuild site on Old Rt. 50 costs are to be \$39,500.00. Council to approve at the meeting tomorrow night.

**CITY COLLECTOR:**

- Budgets – Collector sent out completed budgets for review and will change the golf budget to include the sod costs at the golf course. Council to approve at meeting tomorrow night.
- Liquor Licenses – plumbing and health department inspectors would like to see if we can wait to issue liquor licenses for new businesses until inspections have been completed. This would only be for businesses that will be serving food. The council agreed and Joanne to investigate changes to the liquor license ordinance.

**ZONING:**

- No report.

**MAYOR'S REPORT:**

- Waste Management – the Mayor has set up a meeting with Todd Hinderliter from Waste Management for 4/25/24 at 7:00 PM to discuss recycling and other issues we have had with them.
- Jansen Ford – they are buying the ProBuild property on Old Rt. 50 and we will be developing a site-specific TIF and business district for them. They stated this property will include a site for another business.
- Elected official pay and Sandy's retirement have been tabled until all 8 aldermen are in attendance.
- Library board budgets – will need to include the entire board at all budget meetings.

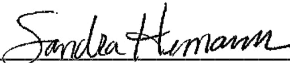
**OLD BUSINESS:**

No report.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Chief Berndsen stated he would like to see city citation fees increased.

The meeting adjourned at 8:55 PM.

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