

BREESE CITY COUNCIL MEETING * FEBRUARY 20, 2024

Minutes of the 20th Regular Meeting of the Breese City Council held on the above date.

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

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

Press: None.

Visitors: Jonathan Husmann, Aubry Denton.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Motion by Hellige, second by Berndsen to approve the minutes of the meeting held on February 6, 2024, 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": Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Gary Usselmann, Bob Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Bill Fischer, Steve Hellige. Absent: Bryan Eversgerd. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mayor Timmermann welcomed students from Mr. Meyers class.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE:

Motion by Schleper, second by Usselmann to approve the manager contracts effective 11/1/23. On roll call voting "aye": Tim Schleper, Gary Usselmann, Bob Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Bill Fischer, Steve Hellige, Carl Ratermann. Absent: Bryan Eversgerd. Motion carried.

Alderman Schleper stated that budgets for FY-2025 are due to the City Collector by March 18, 2024. He asked all managers to have them turned in by that date.

UTILITIES:

Motion by Berndsen, second by Davinroy to approve a resolution allowing the mayor to sign the Public Water Supply Loan Program. On roll call voting "aye": Gary Usselmann, Bob Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Bill Fischer, Steve Hellige, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper. Absent: Bryan Eversgerd. Motion carried.

Motion by Berndsen, second by Ratermann to approve a resolution allowing the mayor to sign the Water Pollution Control Loan Program. On roll call voting "aye": Bob Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Bill Fischer, Steve Hellige, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Gary Usselmann. Absent: Bryan Eversgerd. Motion carried.

Motion by Berndsen, second by Davinroy to award the 69kv contract to JF Electric in the amount of \$95,084.00. This is to replace a contact switch located on Highline Road. On roll call voting "aye": Jason Davinroy, Bill Fischer, Steve Hellige, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Gary Usselmann, Bob Berndsen. Absent: Bryan Eversgerd. Motion carried.

Alderman Berndsen stated that the utility bills for February were lost by the postal department. He stated residents can go online and get their bill, or just call city hall and get a copy of their bill.

Berndsen also stated the utility department sent out two surveys last month, the lead line and cross connections survey. He stated we really need those returned and to please return them to the utility department at the earliest convenience.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Alderman Ratermann complimented the public works workers for a great job on snow cleanup. The streets looked great.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Police Chief Berndsen stated there have been recent car break ins in neighboring towns and cautioned residents to keep their doors locked and valuables out of sight.

RECREATION:

Alderman Davinroy reports there is a park board meeting on February 28th at 6:00 PM in City Hall.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS:

Alderman Usselmann reported that Taylor Roofing will be replacing the roof on the garage east of City Hall on Wednesday.

ZONING:

No report.

HEALTH:

No report.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

No report.

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 7:41 PM.

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