

BREESE CITY COUNCIL MEETING * May 1, 2018

Minutes of the proceeding of the 25th Regular Meeting of the Breese City Council Held in City Hall on the above date.

Mayor Charles E. Hilmes called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M.

Aldermen in attendance: Paul Steinman, Kevin Timmermann, Debbie Koetting, Robert Berndsen, Carl Ratermann, Gary Usselman, Bill Fischer.

Absent: Chris Hamilton.

City Officials: Utility Plant Operations Manager Dale Detmer, City Attorney Joanne Stevenson, Police Chief Bob Fix, Public Works Manager/Building Inspector Don Voss, City Business Administrator Shelly Schadegg.

Press: Liz Dowell Carlyle Union Banner/Centralia Sentinel

Visitors: Tim Schleper, Taylor Dan, Madison Olliges, Cameryn Rensing, Janeth Torralva, Paloma Mejia, Kim Hall, Baileigh Diesen, Nicholas Hunter, Anna Huelsmann

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Students from Central High School visiting from Mr. Peter's government class.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Motion by Steinman seconded by Berndsen to approve the minutes of the meeting held on April 17, 2018 and place on file. Motion Carried by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Koetting seconded by Ratermann to authorize payment of the bills submitted, City Collector & Treasurers Report. On Roll Call Voting "aye": Debbie Koetting, Carl Ratermann, Paul Steinman, Kevin Timmermann, Gary Usselman, Robert Berndsen, Bill Fischer. Absent: Chris Hamilton. Motion Carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE:

No Report

UTILITIES:

Motion by Berndsen seconded by Timmermann to approve a Pay Request of \$93,982.65 to Haier Plumbing for the lift station. This has been approved by HMG. On Roll Call Voting "aye": Carl Ratermann, Paul Steinman, Kevin Timmermann, Gary Usselman, Robert Berndsen, Bill Fischer, Debbie Koetting. Absent: Chris Hamilton. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC WORKS/Kevin Timmermann

Motion by Timmermann seconded by Berndsen to approve the Final Plat for Best One Tire. On Roll Call Voting "aye": Paul Steinman, Kevin Timmermann, Gary Usselmann, Robert Berndsen, Bill Fischer, Debbie Koetting, Carl Ratermann. Absent: Chris Hamilton. Motion Carried.

Alderman Timmermann stated that Baxmeyer Construction has gotten started on the round-a-bout. Temporary lanes should be paved and open next week. Be mindful in the change of traffic patterns. Mayor Hilmes added that all of the construction in town is going to change patterns for many in town. Please bear with us and be patient as we make these improvements to our City.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Alderman Fischer stated that last Saturday the police department did the drug take back program. 9 large boxes had been turned in and turnout was great. If you missed it, the police department will continue to accept prescriptions at the Breese Police Department.

Alderman Fischer also stated that May 19th is the Bike Safety Day for students in kindergarten through 8th grade and is sponsored by the police department and the Breese Optimist Club. The event will be held at City Hall.

Alderman Timmermann asked if there is a 'safe' location designated for things such as trade-offs for Facebook sale items. Chief of Police Bob Fix noted that there is not a designated place, but individuals have called in the past asking to exchange at the police department. The council will continue to discuss creating a safe place.

Chief of Police Bob Fix stated that Hot dog days will be sponsored by the police department at All Saints and District 12 on their field days.

RECREATION:

Motion by Ratermann seconded by Steinman to approve Rooter's bid to re-seal the Tennis Courts for \$5,400.00 this is done every 4-5 years and will include the pickle ball court, taping, re-striping and sealing. On Roll Call Voting "aye": Kevin Timmermann, Gary Usselmann, Robert Berndsen, Bill Fischer, Debbie Koetting, Carl Ratermann, Paul Steinman. Absent: Chris Hamilton. Motion Carried.

Alderman Ratermann also stated that the swimming pool is getting ready to re-open Memorial Day weekend and that there will be a Park Board meeting May 23rd at 7:00 at City Hall.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS:

Alderman Usselmann stated that the doors have been installed at the BAC center.

ZONING:

No Report

HEALTH:

Alderman Usselmann stated that the last day open for the Leaf Dump will be May 5th. Hours will be 10 am-4 pm. It will also be open this Wednesday from 12 pm to 4 pm.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Hilmes stated that on May 19th Shelter Logic is having a sale day from 9 am to 2 pm. Alderman Fischer stated that this will be the 2nd annual factory sale with 70% off sale prices. May 19th will also be the first Farmer's Market from 9 am -1 pm. It will go every other Saturday until September 8th.

Mayor Hilmes would like the City to note that May 5th will be the Community Link Buddy Walk. Last year they had over 1,600 people involved and are looking to exceed that number this year.

Mayor Hilmes shared that the Breese Historical Society celebrated the 10th anniversary of their park this past Saturday. Close to 100 people attended. There is a group of people in charge of keeping it clean and planting flowers - it is hard to believe that it is 10 years old already!

Mayor Hilmes mentioned that CSX is asking for exempt status on the railroad crossings, starting somewhere around O'Fallon and going all the way to Indiana. This will cease the requirement for busses and trucks to stop at crossings. We are waiting for this to be approved.

Finally, Mayor Hilmes informed the council of the preemption tool kit that has been provided by Illinois Municipal League.

OLD BUSINESS

No Old Business to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS

No New Business to discuss.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Steinman seconded by Timmermann to adjourn after no further business was brought before the Council. Motion Carried by unanimous voice vote.

Meeting adjourned at 7:51 P.M.



Non-verbatim minutes taken by: _____

Erin Wagoner, City Clerk