

BREESE CITY COUNCIL MEETING * OCTOBER 1, 2024

Minutes of the 35th Regular Meeting of the Breese City Council held on the above date.

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

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

City Officials: Public Works Mgr. Don Voss, Electric Operations Mgr. Jason Deering, Street Supt. Tom Tebbe, Police Chief Mark Berndsen, Clubhouse Mgr. Doug Schulte, Utility Billing Clerk Jackie Hummert, City Attorney Joanne Stevenson.

Press: Matt Wilson – Breese Journal

Visitors: Rachele Horton, Delayni Davinroy, Kurt Ripperda, Cara Carrillon, Zoe Luth, Claire Albers, Carlie Pierce, Dugan Schweikoff, Claire Finley, Aften Kye.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Motion by Eversgerd, second by Hellige to approve the minutes of the meeting held on September 17, 2024, 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": Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Bryan Eversgerd, Bill Fischer, Steve Hellige, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper. Absent: Gary Usselmann. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Kurt Ripperda attended representing the Breese Lions Club. The mayor read a proclamation proclaiming October 11, 2024, as Lions Candy Day. The Lions will be accepting donations on that date to aid the deaf and blind.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE:

Alderman Eversgerd reported there is a Joint Review Board Meeting on October 8, 2024, at 7:00 PM in City Hall. This is a requirement for the Jansen Ford TIF for their new location.

UTILITIES:

Alderman Berndsen reported we had a couple power outages this past weekend due to the bad weather. He stated they were minor and the shortages were brief.

Public Works Manager, Don Voss stated we will be flushing hydrants this week.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Alderman Ratermann reported the street department has finished the concrete work on South Main Street, and as soon as we get approval, the street will be opened. He also stated the street crews will be returning to previous projects that need dirt work and seeding.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

No report.

RECREATION:

Alderman Davinroy thanked everyone who attended the Fall Fest last weekend. He stated that the weather turned out to be good and everyone enjoyed the activities.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS:

Motion by Fischer, second by Davinroy to approve hiring Rachele Horton as Administrative Assistant in City Hall with a start date of 10/14/24. On roll call voting "aye": Jason Davinroy, Bryan Eversgerd, Bill Fischer, Steve Hellige, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Robert Berndsen. Absent: Gary Usselmann. Motion carried. Everyone welcomed Rachele aboard.

ZONING:

Alderman Fischer reported there is a zoning hearing to be held on October 3, 2024, at 7:30 PM in City Hall. It is for a zoning amendment for Paul Rinella at 1302 Apple Lane to change the zoning from Commercial to R-2 general residential.

HEALTH:

Alderman Hellige reported the leaf dump will be open 10/16/24 – 12/15/24 on Wednesday and Sundays noon – 4:00 PM, and Saturdays from 10 – 4:00 PM. Leaves only.

He also stated that fall cleanup is scheduled for October 19th from 9:00-3:00 PM at the Street Department.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Timmermann appointed Angela Richter to the library board. She will replace the late Jim Sprengel. Motion by Eversgerd, second by Schleper to approve the appointment. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Mayor Timmermann reported the recycle dumpster has been removed. He stated the reason was because the dumpster was being abused, with non-recyclable items being placed in it, and non-residents were using it. He said with the results of the recent survey not favoring curbside pickup, recycling service will be discontinued.

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.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:41 PM.

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