

CITY OF BREESE MEETING AGENDA**DATE: MARCH 16, 2021**

- CALL TO ORDER
- ROLL CALL
- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF LAST MEETING
- MOTION TO APPROVE PAYING BILLS, CITY COLLECTOR & TREASURERS REPORT
- PUBLIC COMMENT

- COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - FINANCE/Tim Schleper

 - UTILITIES/Bob Berndsen:
 1. Approve Task Order #4 for Wastewater Treatment Plant in the Amount of \$83,335.00

 - PUBLIC WORKS/Kevin Timmermann

 - PUBLIC SAFETY/Bill Fischer:
 1. Announce Retirement of Office Curt Weh Effective 5/31/21.
 2. Announce Retirement of Police Chief Bob Fix Effective 5/31/21.

- RECREATION/Debbie Koetting:
 1. Park Board Meeting March 24 @ 7:00 PM City Hall

- PUBLIC BUILDINGS/Gary Usselmann:

- ZONING/Carl Ratermann:

- HEALTH/Jason Davinroy:

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

BREESE CITY COUNCIL MEETING * March 16, 2021

Minutes of the proceeding of the 46th Regular Meeting of the Breese City Council Held on the above date. Meeting was held in City Hall and via ZOOM.

Mayor Charles E. Hilmes called the meeting to order at 7:29 P.M.

Aldermen in attendance: Carl Ratermann, Kevin Timmermann, Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Debbie Koetting, Tim Schleper, Bill Fischer, Gary Usselmann

Absent:

City Officials: City Business Administrator Shelly Schadegg, City Attorney Joanne Stevenson, Utility Plant Operations Manager Dale Detmer, City Collector Sandy Hemann, Golf Course Superintendent Paul Smith, Police Chief Bob Fix, Public Works Manager/Building Inspector Don Voss, Police Officer Kurt Detmer.

Press: Brian Hunt – Breese Journal
Todd Marver – Carlyle Union Banner

Visitors: Terry Fields, Tricia Buehne

PUBLIC COMMENT:

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Motion by Koetting seconded by Davinroy to approve the minutes of the meeting held on March 3, 2020 and place on file. Motion Carried by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Timmermann seconded by Schleper to authorize payment of the bills submitted, City Collector & Treasurers Report. On Roll Call Voting "aye": Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Kevin Timmermann, Gary Usselmann, Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Bill Fischer, Debbie Koetting. Motion Carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE:

Alderman Schleper stated that capital expenditure proposals were presented at the finance meeting last night. Full budgets are due to Sandy for Council review in April.

UTILITIES:

Motion by Berndsen seconded by Schleper to approve Task Order #4 for Wastewater Treatment Plant in the Amount of \$83,335.00. On Roll Call Voting "aye": Tim Schleper, Kevin Timmermann, Gary Usselmann, Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Bill Fischer, Debbie Koetting, Carl Ratermann. Motion Carried.

Alderman Berndsen stated that there will be an ad in the paper for the next three weeks for a Maintenance/Operator at the power plant. Applications can be found on the City website or picked up at City Hall – must be returned by April 5 by close of business.

Alderman Berndsen also stated that the sewer line extension project for Dollar General is complete - all went well.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Alderman Timmermann stated that crews are still working downtown. Public Works Manager/Building Inspector Don Voss stated that the project is going well, now that it has quit raining. Moving to the next block weather-permitting.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Alderman Fischer announced the Retirement of Officer Curt Weh Effective 5/31/21.

Alderman Fischer also announced the Retirement of Police Chief Bob Fix Effective 5/31/21.

Alderman Fischer commented that combined, these two officers have about 65 years of experience. An opening will be placed in the paper, applications can be found on the City website or picked up at City Hall.

RECREATION:

Alderman Koetting stated that there will be a Park Board Meeting on March 24, 2021 at 7:00 PM at City Hall. Zoom link can be found on the calendar on the website.

Alderman Koetting also stated that Bent Oak Customer Appreciation Day will be March 20, starting at 10 am – live music will begin at 1 pm. Food will be provided and prizes given away – come on out!

PUBLIC BUILDINGS:

No Report.

ZONING:

No Report.

HEALTH:

Alderman Davinroy stated that the leaf dump will be open, starting March 20th. Will be open on Wednesdays and Sundays from 12 pm – 4 pm and on Saturdays from 10 am – 4 pm.

Public Works Manager/Building Inspector Don Voss stated that City Wide Cleanup will be on April 17th from 9 am to 3 pm. No TVs, tires or batteries will be accepted. Mayor Hilmes noted that St. Rose will be having an electronics day – more information can be found on their website.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Hilmes stated that he has been asked to support House Bill 2776 – professional licenses for military spouses. The City of Breese has sent a letter to the Southwest IL Mayors Association as well as to representatives in Springfield.

Mayor Hilmes also stated that the Christmas lighting committee is looking for donations to replace/buy new things. If anyone does wish to make a donation, it can be made through City Hall. In addition, there is availability to sponsor a memorial tree. Jean Vogt is available to answer any questions. Mayor Hilmes extended a big thank you to Jean and Marybeth Detmer for all the work they do to make our city look good for the holidays, and a thank you to Ernie and his crew for all of the support that they provide!

OLD BUSINESS

No Old Business to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS

No New Business to discuss.

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 7:49 P.M.

Non-verbatim minutes taken by:



Erin Hamilton, City Clerk