

# CITY OF BREESE MEETING AGENDA

DATE: JULY 5, 2023

- CALL TO ORDER
  - ROLL CALL
  - PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
  - MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF LAST MEETING
  - MOTION TO APPROVE PAYING BILLS, CITY COLLECTOR & TREASURER REPORT
  - PUBLIC COMMENT
    1. Ed Cobau/IMUA - Scholarship presentation to Sydney Klemish
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- COMMITTEE REPORTS
    - FINANCE/Bryan Eversgerd:
  
    - UTILITIES/Bob Berndsen:
      1. Ordinance – Appoint Jason Deering to IMEA Board of Directors.
      2. Award Schulte Supply water main extension for new water tower in the amount of \$52,285.06.
  
    - PUBLIC WORKS/Carl Ratermann:
  
  
    - PUBLIC SAFETY/Tim Schleper:
      1. Approve EMS full-time personnel raises.
  
  
    - RECREATION/Jason Davinroy:

- PUBLIC BUILDINGS/Gary Usselmann:
  1. Award roof bid for ambulance building to Crown Roofing & Exteriors in the amount of \$22,226.17.
  2. Approve proposal for landscape rock at City Hall to Nova Outdoor Solutions in the amount of \$7,238.01.

- ZONING/Bill Fischer:

- HEALTH/Suann Fields:

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

## **BREESE CITY COUNCIL MEETING \* JULY 5, 2023**

Minutes of the 5th Regular Meeting of the Breese City Council held on the above date.

Aldermen in attendance: Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Bryan Eversgerd, Suann Fields, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Gary Usselmann. (Alderman Schleper arrived at 7:41 PM).

City Officials: Public Works Mgr. Don Voss, Police Chief Mark Berndsen, Electric Operations Mgrs. Jason Deering and Dale Detmer, EMS Operations Mgr. Allen Pollmann.

Press: Bryan Hunt, Breese Journal.

Visitors: Ed Cobau, DeeDee Bunch, Sydney, Matt & Christine Klemish, Connie Robben.

### **GENERAL BUSINESS:**

Motion by Berndsen, second by Davinroy to approve the minutes of the meeting held on June 20, 2023 and place on file. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Eversgerd, second by Berndsen to authorize payment of the bills, City Collector and City Treasurer Report. On roll call voting "aye": Gary Usselmann, Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Brian Eversgerd, Suann Fields, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann. Absent: Tim Schleper. Motion carried.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Ed Cobau, Illinois Municipal Utility Association Scholarship Program Coordinator, presented a framed award certificate and a \$1,000 scholarship to Sydney Klemish, a Breese resident, and a Breese Central Community High School graduate. Klemish is one of four finalists whose energy-related essays were chosen by an IMUA judging panel. Her essay was based on the topic of *The Benefits of Public Power*. Congratulations to Sydney!

Connie Robben attended regarding the swim pool. Connie stated that Breese has one of the best swimming pools in the county. She stated, as a pool pass holder, she was recently disappointed that the pool was closed on a couple of dates that were regularly scheduled hours to be open. She said the pool is a great asset to the community and should be treated as such. Mayor Timmermann stated we were having some issues, but those have been addressed and the pool should run smoothly and be open for the rest of the summer.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

### **FINANCE:**

Alderman Eversgerd stated the city will be holding a public hearing on July 17<sup>th</sup> to discuss the appropriation ordinance for Fiscal 2024. The hearing will be held in City Hall at 7:00 PM. A copy of the draft ordinance is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk on July 7, 2023 during normal business hours.

### **UTILITIES:**

Motion by Berndsen, second by Usselmann to approve an ordinance appointing Jason Deering to the IMEA Board of Directors. On roll call voting "aye": Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Brian Eversgerd, Suann Fields, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Gary Usselmann. Motion carried.

Motion by Berndsen, second by Ratermann to award the water main extension for the new water tower to Schulte Supply in the amount of \$42,285.06. On roll call voting "aye": Jason Davinroy, Brian Eversgerd, Suann Fields, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Gary Usselmann, Robert Berndsen. Motion carried.

Alderman Berndsen also reported on the storms over the weekend. The crews were out most of Friday night and Saturday were sent to Carlyle to assist them with damage. Alderman Berndsen lauded all the city employees for their hard work and dedication.

Alderman Berndsen reported Utility Plant Operations Manager Dale Detmer recently received the Larry Hobart "Seven Hats Award." The APPA Larry Hobart Seven Hats award recognizes managers who perform a variety of duties in communities of 2,500 or fewer electric meters. Dale ran the power plant, water plant and sewer plant in his years at the city. Detmer will be retiring in August this year. Congratulations to Dale!

### **PUBLIC WORKS:**

Alderman Ratermann reported that rocking and oiling of streets will be done in Ward 3 on July 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>.

### **PUBLIC SAFETY:**

Motion by Schleper, second by Jason Davinroy to approve the EMS full-time personnel raises. On roll call voting "aye": Brian Eversgerd, Suann Fields, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Gary Usselmann, Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy. Motion carried.

Chief Berndsen stated the police forces were out assisting with the storms over the weekend and wanted to recognize them for the hard work and dedication.

Alderman Schleper reported the EMS golf scramble will be held on August 5<sup>th</sup> at Bent Oak Golf Course. Hole sponsorships and teams are needed.

**RECREATION:**

Alderman Davinroy stated Food Truck Friday is being held at Miner's Park this Friday.

**PUBLIC BUILDINGS:**

Motion by Usselmann, second by Schleper to award the roof bid for the ambulance building to Crown Roofing & Exteriors in the amount of \$22,226.17. On roll call voting "aye": Suann Fields, Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Gary Usselmann, Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Brian Eversgerd. Motion carried.

Motion by Usselmann, second by Berndsen to approve the proposal for landscape rock at City Hall to Nova Outdoor Solutions in the amount of \$7,238.01. The rock is being replaced by bigger rock to alleviate the problem of breaking windows at City Hall due to mowing and weed eating. On roll call voting "aye": Bill Fischer, Carl Ratermann, Tim Schleper, Gary Usselmann, Robert Berndsen, Jason Davinroy, Brian Eversgerd, Suann Fields. Motion carried.

**ZONING:**

Alderman Fischer reported there are two zoning hearings coming up. One on July 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM for a variance filed by Lucas Koopman to relax the front setback from 25' to 20'. The second is on July 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM filed by Scooter's Coffee for a variance to allow a fence to be placed on the property line between a C-2 and R-1 district.

**HEALTH:**

No report.

**Mayor's Report:**

Mayor Timmermann wanted to thank all city crews on their great performance with the recent storms.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

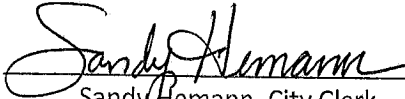
None.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion by Schleper, second by Berndsen to adjourn after no further business was brought before the council. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Meeting adjourned at 8:03 PM

Non-verbatim minutes taken by:

  
Sandy Hemann, City Clerk