

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Braidwood City Council Monday, October 22nd, 2019
Braidwood City Hall 141 W. Main St., Braidwood, IL 60408

Call to Order: The Regular Meeting of the Braidwood City Council on October 22nd, 2019 was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Jones in the Council Chambers of the Braidwood City Hall.

Pledge of Allegiance: Mayor Jones requested all rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Upon Roll Call by the Clerk, the following members of the corporate authorities answered “Here” or “Present”;

Elected Officials;

Present: Commissioner Saltzman, Commissioner Money, Commissioner Smith, and Mayor Jones

Absent: Commissioner Hart

Appointed Officials;

Present: City Attorney Wellner, City Administrator Altiery, Chief Lyons, City Engineer Weber and City Clerk Fisher

Absent:

Quorum: There being sufficient members of the corporate authorities in attendance to constitute a quorum, the meeting was declared in order.

Public Comment:

Approval of Minutes: Commissioner Saltzman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Smith, to approve meeting minutes from the October 8th, 2019 Regular Council Meeting. Motion carried with 4 ayes; 0 nays. (Saltzman, Money, Smith, and Jones)

Mayor’s Report: Mayor Jones requested a moment of silence for George Rozak. Saltzman, Hart and Jones. The Mayor then commented the repair of sidewalks is complete within the City and that Com Ed had come in and cleaned up their area. The Mayor proceeded to make the appointment of Mike Celvecci as Chair of the Planning and Zoning Committee; Commissioner Money made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Saltzman. Motion passed with 4 ayes; 0 nays. (Money, Saltzman, Smith and Jones) Mayor Jones then moved to the Appointment of Joe Wood to the Police Board for a term of 1 year, and Mike Tomas for a 3 year term. Commissioner Money made the motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Saltzman. Motion carried with 4 ayes; 0 nays. (Money, Saltzman, Smith, and Jones)

Administrator Report: Administrator Altiery advised that there were no FOIA requests to report on and that sump pump checks were being done to ensure that sump pumps were not draining into the sanitary sewer. He further stated if a homeowner is unsure if theirs is, they can call the City and someone will come out and check that. He further explained that there were questions on the hours of the Building Department and that the Building Department does not shut down; the change is paperwork/inspection requests turned in after 1:00 pm, will be next day’s business. Citizens can still come in anytime to inquire, request and/or drop off paperwork. The next item addressed was that Commissioners are inquiring about the efficiency and use of the Pace bus. More research will be done, but at the time, it appears that there was minimal usage and zero usage by seniors.

City Clerk Report:

Engineer Report: City Engineer Weber presents with MFT estimates, criteria and requests approval of a Resolution for the Expenditure of Motor Fuel Tax funds for the Maintenance of Streets and Highways under the Illinois Highway code. Commissioner Smith made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Saltzman, to approve said Resolution. Motion passed with 4 ayes; 0 nays. (Smith, Saltzman, Money, and Jones) Commissioner Smith made a Motion to approve an agreement with the Engineers for the work on the salt building.

City Attorney Report:

Accounts & Finance Report: Commissioner Saltzman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Smith, to approve the Accounts Payable Report in the amount of \$60,497.21 dated 10/22/2019. Motion carried with 4 ayes; 0 nays. (Saltzman, Smith, Money, and Jones) Commissioner Saltzman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Smith, to approve the Payroll Report, in the amount of \$121,826.53 dated 10/16/2019. Motion carried with 4 ayes; 0 nays. (Saltzman, Smith, Money, and Jones) Commissioner Saltzman made the appointment of Carol Eischen as City Treasurer to be employed part-time at a rate of \$26.00 per hour. Commissioner Smith made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Money. Motion carried with 4 ayes; 0 nays. (Smith, Money, Saltzman and Jones) Welcome to Carol Eischen. He then made a motion to Approve the City's execution of the Engagement Letter with Wipfli LLP for the annual audit; Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried with 4 ayes: 0 nays. (Smith, Saltzman, Money, and Jones)

Streets & Public Improvement Report: Commissioner Smith comments on the good job done on the sidewalks and inquires about a Shadow Lakes Grant for benefit of Novy Road. This will be looked into.

Public Property Report: Commissioner Money listed the duties performed by the City Crews within the last two weeks.

Public Health & Safety Report: Chief Lyons advised that in the last 2 weeks, there were 192 calls for service and 4 arrests. He further stated that Officers were doing business checks and walk through of businesses.

Planning & Zoning Report: Engineer Weber requests approval of a Resolution for the Expenditure of Motor Fuel Tax funds for the Maintenance of Streets and Highways under the Illinois Highway Code. Commissioner Smith made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Saltzman, to approve said Resolution. Commissioner Smith made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Saltzman to approve a Resolution Approving the main engineering to be performed by Robinson was made by City Administrator Altieri, upon recommendation from the Zoning Committee after Public Hearing, requested a motion for Approval of an Ordinance to Amend to Section 23-9 "Accessory Uses" of the City of Braidwood Code of Ordinances. Commissioner Money made the Motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Saltzman. Motion carried with 4 Ayes;0 nays. (Money, Saltzman, Smith, and Jones). Mike Guinta came forward and requested the City approve his request pending Zoning approval. Engineer Weber voiced concern with plat issues and prefers to view the corrected plat prior to any vote. Attorney Wellner stated he did not recommend the City Council take votes on anything without the recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Board. The next Planning and Zoning meeting is scheduled for November 4th, 2019 at 7:00pm

Old Business: Commissioner Money commented on the success of Scarecrow Fest and thanked the volunteers, City Crews, the Police Department, Braidwood Healthy Coalition and Berkots for all their time and assistance.

New Business:

Adjournment: Commissioner Saltzman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Money , to adjourn the October 22nd, 2019, regular meeting of the Braidwood City Council. Motion carried with 4 ayes; 0 nays. (Saltzman, Money, Smith and Jones) The next regular meeting of the Braidwood City Council is scheduled for November 12th, 2019 at 7:00pm.