

CITY OF BRODHEAD COMMON COUNCIL MINUTES
Monday, October 9, 2017

Present: Mayor Pinnow, Aldermen Nyman, Huffman, Anderson, Fox and Huntington. City Clerk Withee and City Attorney Mark Schroeder. Youth Representatives Craig Christensen, Sebastian Van Wyhe and Annika Bernstein

Absent: Alderman Peach and Youth Representative Trinity Johnson

Mayor Pinnow called meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Roll call vote shows all Aldermen present except Alderman Peach and Youth Representative Johnson.

Public Hearing: Mayor Pinnow opened the public hearing. Attorney Schroeder presented information for the public hearing regarding Resolutions 2017-024 and 2017-025 Vacating portions of 20th and 23rd Streets in the city of Brodhead. Council had previously approved preliminary resolutions to vacate a portion of 20th and 23rd, preserving easements for utilities. No comments or questions from the public or council. Public hearing closed.

Motion by Anderson to approve Resolution 2017-024 Final Resolution Vacating Portion of 20th Street. Second by Fox. Student advisory vote three ayes. Council vote five ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Anderson to approve Resolution 2017-025 Final Resolution Vacating Portion of 23rd Street. Second by Huffman. Student advisory vote three ayes. Council vote five ayes. Motion carried.

Minutes: Motion by Huffman to approve minutes from September 19, 2017. Second by Anderson. Student advisory vote three ayes. Council vote five ayes. Motion carried.

Library Board: Director Noel presented the September numbers; 3,337 Visits, 4,202 items out, 356 items added. Program attendees; Children's programs – 131, Young Adult programs – 0, other programs – 70. Upcoming events: Story Time: Wednesday and Friday mornings at 10:00 am, Lego Club: Thursday afternoon from 3:15 pm – 4:30 pm, Friends of Brodhead Library Membership Meeting: Wednesday, October 11, 6:30 pm, Adult Craft Night: Monday, October 16, 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm, Brodhead Book Club: Wednesday, October 18, 7:00 pm, Holistic Nutrition and Healthy Snacking: Thursday, October 26, 6:30 pm, Halloween Party: Friday, October 27, 1:00 pm, Teen Escape Rooms: November 10 (times TBD), Driftless Arts Open House: November 12, 5:00 pm. The next library board meeting will be Monday, October 16, 4:00 pm.

Park Board: Director Boegli stated that flag football players will be introduced at an upcoming football game and they will play their last game on the high school field. Volleyball will be starting soon. Sunset yoga has started. They have begun to prepare the parks for winter.

Public Works: Director Vogel presented the Green County Landfill Agreement. Landfill was developed so communities and townships that wanted could participate as members. No county tax dollars are used to support the landfill. The new landfill agreement only changes how the variations in good and bad years are allocated to budget more appropriately. The new contract states that each community will only pay their actual tonnage per month. September of next year the board will let the members know officially where they are for the year. If it is good or bad they will provide a credit or charge based on percentage of use. The last two years have been good and it is anticipated that 2018 will be good also. Contract is for one year. Discussion by council. Motion by Huffman to approve the Green County Landfill Agreement. Second by Nyman. Student advisory vote three ayes. Council vote five ayes. Motion carried.

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Director Vogel discussed a sewer bill that had been inadvertently marked to not receive a bill. The clerk's office has removed all late fees and penalties but is looking for direction from council as to how to handle the delinquent sewer account. The current balance is \$896.94 and is scheduled to be placed on the tax roll. After checking the Green County land records system it was noted that the resident has not paid their property tax bill for 2014, 2015 or 2016. This bill goes back to December 2015. The owners have previously paid just prior to the amount going on the tax roll. Discussion by council. Motion by Anderson to approve the clerk's office put the full amount minus the fees and penalties on the tax roll and send the property owner a letter of certification. Second by Huffman. Student advisory vote three ayes. Council vote five ayes. Motion carried.

Director Vogel stated that leaf pick up started Monday October 9th and is the earliest they have ever started. Next week will be extended hours at the compost area. Mr. Keller has been a very good addition to the public works department. Residence have been asking about stump removal due to the removal of Ash trees. Director Vogel stated that by the end of the year the total will be approximately 100 and they are looking at options for stump removal. With the current staffing the public works department is unable to take on this task. The department will be under budget for ash tree removal and will use funds for the stump removal beginning next year.

Economic Development: Alderman Anderson stated that Kirk Blum addressed the committee regarding the William S. Knight foundation and what projects can be done in the city. Business incubator was one item discussed. Update on Pearl Island bed and breakfast was given. Next meeting November 2nd 6:30 am.

Public Safety: Chief Hughes presented an operator license for Jason Ryan Schwartz. Motion by Anderson to approve the application as presented. Second by Nyman. Student advisory vote three ayes. Council vote five ayes. Motion carried.

Chief Hughes presented a Public Event Permit/Street Closure for the Chamber's annual Fire and Ice event, and the corresponding parade, to occur in the 900 Block of W. Exchange and the parade route is 1st Center Avenue between 10th Street and 12th Street on Friday, December 1, 2017 from 11:00 a.m. until 11:00 p.m. Motion by Anderson to approve the application as presented. Second by Nyman. Student advisory vote three ayes. Council vote five ayes. Motion carried.

Chief Hughes provided an update on the raze order for 1301 W 3rd Ave. Property owner is requesting an additional 30 days from today, October 9th, to remove debris. Chief Hughes stated that owners have been making progress. Chief Hughes recommends approval of the 30 days. Motion by Huffman to approve the additional 30 day request to remove debris. Second by Anderson. Student advisory vote three ayes. Council vote five ayes. Motion carried.

Chief Hughes presented Resolution 2017-023 Setting Date and Time for Trick or Treating. Public safety has recommended approval. Motion by Fox to approve resolution 2017-023 Setting Date and Time for Trick or Treating. Second by Anderson. Student advisory vote three ayes. Council vote five ayes. Motion carried.

Fire District: No report

BID Board: Alderman Huntington stated they held their annual BID meeting. Discussed new street sign placement.

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Senior Citizens: Open house November 5th at the building they are looking to renovate.

Historic Preservation: no report

Plan Commission: Attorney Schroeder stated that the plan commission voted to recommend to the common council that a parcel of land owned by the city be allowed to be used for a dog park.

Discussion regarding requiring costs be paid for holding special plan meetings – no decision. The items for the UniverCity program have been submitted. Cara will be sending the information October 16th.

Mayor Report: Future Agendas: report on the collaborative meeting, report from fire district participating with Town of Beloit and Orfordville and what that means. BID request to extend for another next year. Dog Park. Swearing in of new youth representative Craig Christensen.

Attorney Report: No report

Personnel Committee: Closed Session per WI State Statutes Section 19.85(1) (e) deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. Re: Public Works Wage

Motion by Anderson to enter closed session. Second by Nyman. Roll call 5 ayes. 0 nays.

Motion by Anderson to Return to Open Session. Second by Fox. Five ayes. Motion carried.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn by Nyman. Second by Fox. Five ayes. Adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

Douglas A. Pinnow, Mayor Approved this 17th day of October 2017.
Teresa Withee, City Clerk