

Common Council Minutes

City of Brodhead - 1111 W 2nd Avenue – City Council Chambers & GoToMeeting

Monday November 16, 2020 6:00 PM

1) Roll Call

Mayor Nyman called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. Roll calls shows Alderperson Schadewaldt, Lowery, Naramore, Fox are present.

Present at City Hall: Mayor Nyman, Alderperson Lowery, Clerk Wahl, Treasurer Miller, Public Works Director Vogel, Parks Director Boegli, Water & Light Superintendent Ed Hoff

Present by video and phone: Alderperson Fox, Naramore, Schadewaldt, Chief Hughes, Library Director Noel, Joe DeYoung, Attorney Faust

2) Approval of The Agenda

Motion by Lowery to approve the agenda as presented. Seconded by Naramore. Council four ayes. Motion carried.

3) 2021 Preliminary Budget Public Hearing Presentation

Open Public Hearing

Treasurer Miller presented the 2021 budget with a power point presentation. The general fund has an excess of \$547,000 above the recommended 25%. She went through each department's budget and the impact that it would have on the entire city budget. Library Director Noel presented on the effects on the what the budget cuts would do to the library budget. Council discussed on how they would proceed with the budget for 2021.

Motion by Lowery to approve the budget as presented. Seconded by Naramore. Council four ayes. Motion carried.

Close Public Hearing

Motion by Fox to end the public hearing at 7:13 p.m. Seconded by Naramore. Council four ayes. Motion carried.

4) Approval of Previous Minutes Committees

Motion by Lowery to approve minutes from November 9, 2020. Seconded by Naramore. Council four ayes. Motion carried.

5) New Business

a) Discussion and possible action Storm Shelter Grant Update

Joe DeYoung from MSA gave an update regarding the storm shelter grant. He spoke to budgets and timelines on moving forward with the project. He presented several different plans that have been done by other communities. The city would have to fund 25% on the project. The grant would cover 75% of the cost of the structure. Joe is needing direction from Council to continue looking into the project or not. Council would like to put the project on hold for a year and re-present at the next budget cycle.

b) Discussion and possible Two Vacant Alderperson Position

Council would like an ad in the paper for the two positions and have then due on December 10, 2020, for the next Council meeting.

Motion to Fox to have Lowery to be interim Finance committee chairman until one can be appointed. Seconded by Naramore Council three ayes. Lowery abstain.

Motion to Fox to have Naramore to be interim Fire District committee member until one can be appointed. Seconded by Lowery. Council three ayes. Naramore abstain.

6) Old Business

a) Discussion and possible action ArchiveSocial

Council would like to more information from the attorneys regarding ArchiveSocial to see if this is needed to comply with open records requests. Attorney Faust will discuss with Attorney Schroeder and report back to Council.

7) Committees

a) Public Works

No report.

b) Finance

i) Discussion and possible action October 2020 Voucher Report

Lowery discussed the October 2020 Voucher Report. BID checks 1536, totaling \$10.70. General checks 79782 – 79880 totaling \$512,411.37

Motion by Lowery to approve October 2020 Voucher Report. Seconded by Fox. Roll Council four ayes. Motion carried.

c) Fire District

i) Discussion and possible action Engine 6 Replacement – 5-year loan up to \$100,000

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Fox reported that Fire District is looking to replace engine 6 and spend about \$200,000.00. They have \$100,000.00 and would like the city to take a loan out for them for the other \$100,000.00 They currently can't move forward with exact pricing and loan information because an engine has not been selected yet.

Motion by Fox to table until next meeting. Seconded by Schadewaldt. Council four ayes. Motion carried

d) Library Board

No report.

8) Mayor Report

a) Future Agenda Items

i) Discussion and possible action 2021 Budget Adoption Meeting November 30, 2020 @ 5:00 pm

ii) Filling the two vacant Alder positions

iii) Filling the vacant committees chair positions

iv) December Council meeting will be held on December 14, 2020 @ 6:00p.m.

9) Attorney Report

No report.

10) Adjourn

Motion by Schadewaldt to adjourn at 8:25 p.m. Seconded by Fox. Council four ayes. Motion carried.

Mayor Nyman, Approved this 14th day of December, 2020.

Nikolai Wahl, City Clerk