

CITY OF BRODHEAD COMMON COUNCIL MINUTES
Tuesday, November 21, 2017

Present: Mayor Pinnow, Alderman Nyman, Huffman, Anderson, and Fox. City Clerk Withee and City Attorney Jamie Olson.

Absent: Alderman Peach and Huntington

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

Minutes: Motion by Anderson to approve minutes from October 19, 2017 with correction to ballots counted from Mayor Pinnow to Clerk Withee and November 13, 2017 as presented. Second by Nyman. Four ayes. Motion carried.

Council reviewed the budget. Discussion by council. No action taken.

Library Board: Director Noel presented the October numbers; 3,514 Visits, 4,482 items out, 221 items added. Program attendees; Children's programs – 214, Young Adult programs – 2, other programs – 61. Director Noel updated the council on HVAC replacement. Library board reviewed their policy manual regarding staff holidays. They will remain open for the Easter holiday but starting in 2018 the library will be closed the Friday and Saturday after Thanksgiving. Library board has decided to move \$100,000 from Sugar River Bank to the SCLS foundation for a better interest rate. Reminder to residents that it is the library policy to follow the winter school closings. The next library board meeting is Monday, December 18th at 4:00 pm.

Personnel: Motion by Fox to hire Justin Schwartz for the full time public works position. Second by Huffman. Four ayes. Motion carried.

Water & Light: no report

Public Safety: Chief Hughes presented Resolution 2017-029 ATV UTV Stop Yield Signs Erected with a correction to be made to the first whereas clause. Motion by Anderson to approve Resolution 2017-029 ATV UTV Stop Yield Signs Erected with correction as noted. Second by Nyman. Four ayes. Motion carried.

Finance Committee: Huffman made a motion to approve the following checks: BID CK 1408 to 1409 - \$256.47, Sewer Fund CK 7864 to 7873 - \$15,940.80 General CK 76193 to 76269 - \$232,877.99. Second by Anderson. Roll Call 4 ayes. 0 nays. Motion carried.

Motion by Huffman to approve the October 2017 treasurer's report as presented. Second by Nyman. Four ayes. Motion carried.

Fire District: Fox stated that there was a vote on the budget that ended in a tie vote there is no approved budget at this time for the fire district.

Mayor Report: Future Agendas: City hall staff holiday get together, suggested date is December 21st at 5pm. Mayor Pinnow asked about options for staggering elections for council members from three to two. Attorney Olson will research the election process and report back to council. Finance committee is directed to come up with a plan for city land sale revenue. Raze and repair update for both properties. Review the attendance policy. Research who is responsible to initiate grant writing for a senior/community

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center. Special meeting set for December 5th at 4:30 pm following the December 4th Plan commission meeting regarding the rezoning.

Motion by Anderson to approve city hall closing at 4:00 pm on December 1, 2017 due to Fire & Ice Festival. Second by Fox. Four ayes. Motion carried.

Committees seven day notice of Peter Bernstein to the Public Safety Committee.

Tim Stocks was allowed to ask a question regarding the attendance policy. He questioned if the city should move back to the ward system. Huffman stated that it has been difficult to fill alderman positions so having the alderman at large policy allows more people to run for council.

Attorney Report: No report

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: Senior/Community Center

Closed Session per WI State Statutes Sec. 19.85(1) (c), considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. Re: Possible Vacancy at Police Department and Salary Recommendations

Motion by Nyman to enter closed session. Second by Anderson. Roll call 4 ayes. 0 nays.

Motion by Anderson to Return to Open Session. Second by Nyman. Four ayes. Motion carried.

Alderman Fox stated that in reference to the goals outlined in the 20 year comprehensive plan and the survey results the city is interested in pursuing information regarding a senior/community center. Motion by Fox to continue to pursue the use of an existing building for renovation to create a senior/community center. Second by Anderson. Four ayes. Motion carried.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn by Anderson. Second by Fox. Four ayes. Adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Douglas A. Pinnow, Mayor Approved this 11th day of December 2017.

Teresa Withee, City Clerk