

**BREESE CITY COUNCIL MEETING \* OCTOBER 18, 2011**

Minutes of the proceeding of the 12<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting of the Breese City Council held in City Hall on the above date.

Mayor Charles E. Hilmes called the meeting to order 7:30 p.m.

Aldermen in attendance: Robert Berndsen, Bill Fischer, Debbie Koetting, Carl Ratermann, Paul Steinman, Norb Tebbe, Kevin Timmermann, Gary Usselmann.

City Officials: Utility Plant Operations Manager Dale Detmer, Public Works Manager Don Voss, Police Chief Bob Fix, City Attorney Joanne Stevenson, EMS Director Michael Berndsen, Zoning Administrator John Becker.

Press: Vicky Albers, Breese Journal.  
Mark Hodapp, Centralia Sentinel.

Visitors: None.

**GENERAL BUSINESS**

Motion by Timmermann seconded by Berndsen to approve the minutes of the meeting held on October 4<sup>th</sup> and place on file. Motion Carried by unanimous voice vote.

Motion by Koetting seconded by Tebbe to authorize payment of the bills submitted at the finance meeting. Further, to approve the city clerk and city treasurer reports for September 2011. On Roll Call Voting "aye": Usselmann, Berndsen, Fischer, Koetting, Ratermann, Steinman, Tebbe, Timmermann. Motion Carried.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**PUBLIC WORKS – UTILITIES:**

Alderman Berndsen stated bid opening for replacing the roof at the power plant is set for 10 am on October 20<sup>th</sup> at City Hall.

**PUBLIC WORKS – STREET/DRAINAGE:**

Alderman Timmermann reported the ITEP sidewalk project adjacent to Old Rt. 50 between Memorial and Mason Drive has been substantially completed. The Holy Cross Lane project is progressing although recently slowed by bad weather.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Motion by Fischer seconded by Steinman to approve the Clinton County Special Service Agreement Contracts for 2012 for ambulance services: Breese City \$76,915; Breese Township \$23,870; Germantown Village \$18,035; Germantown Township \$17,505. On Roll Call Voting "aye": Berndsen, Fischer, Koetting, Ratermann, Steinman, Tebbe, Timmermann, Usselmann. Motion Carried.

RECREATION:

Motion by Ratermann seconded by Usselmann to increase the 2012 season memberships at the golf course by \$50.00 across the board. On Roll Call Voting "aye": Fischer, Koetting, Ratermann, Steinman, Tebbe, Timmermann, Usselmann, Berndsen. Motion Carried.

HEALTH & WELFARE:

Alderman Usselmann stated the Jansen Farm opens this Saturday for city residents to dispose of their leaves.

Alderman Usselmann stated the City is seeking bids for trash pickup. Bids will be accepted until December 2<sup>nd</sup>.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS:

Motion by Tebbe seconded by Ratermann to pass Resolution #2011-13 as presented. It is a resolution of support for a Four-Lane US Highway 50 from Lawrenceville, Illinois to Lebanon, Illinois. Motion Carried by unanimous voice vote.

Mayor Hilmes stated the City has been invited to make a presentation for the OSLAD application on October 27 in Springfield. The project entails improvements to the swim pool. Mayor Hilmes, Tim Schleper and a representative from HMG will be making the presentation.

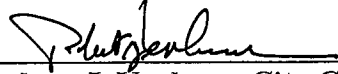
Mayor Hilmes commented he spoke to IDOT and Old Rt. 50 east of Shoal Creek should open by the end of next week, weather permitting. Also, the re-paving of new Rt. 50 east of town should be completed by mid-December.

Mayor Hilmes remarked that the State of Illinois is considering taking the Replacement Tax monies from municipalities. The Illinois Municipal League is fighting to keep it. The City receives about \$15,000 annually from it.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Steinman seconded by Usselmann to adjourn after no further business was brought before the Council. Motion Carried by unanimous voice vote.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Non-verbatim minutes taken by: .  
Robert J. Venhaus, City Clerk