

**Regular Meeting
December 14, 2020**

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Bradley Village Board was called to order on Monday, December 14, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. at the Bradley Municipal Hall. Mayor Watson presided. Roll call: Trustee's Redmond, LeBran, Westphal, Billingsley, Tieri and Watson.

AGENDA

A motion was made to approve the agenda by Trustee Billingsley and seconded by Trustee LeBran (6 ayes 0 nays) Motion carried

PUBLIC HEARING

A motion was made by Trustee LeBran and seconded by Trustee Billingsley to open the Public Hearing (6 ayes 0 nays)

Tom with STIEFL gave a presentation regarding General Obligation Bonds.

The meeting was opened up to the public.

Erica McGrath of 1345 Hunters Run Subdivision had public comment regarding the rates.

A motion was made to close the public hearing by Trustee Westphal and seconded by Trustee LeBran (6 ayes 0 nays) Motion carried at 6:59

PRESENTATION OF MINUTES

A motion was made to approve the regular board meeting minutes for November 23rd, 2020 by Trustee Billingsley and seconded by Trustee Tieri (5 ayes 0 nays 1 abstain-Redmond) Motion carried.

A motion was made to table the special board meeting minutes from December 14,2020 by Trustee Tieri and seconded by Trustee Billingsley (6 ayes 0 nays) Motion carried

PRESENTATION OF COMMUNICATION

There was none

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

Lori Gadbois of 39 Old Farm North Court had questions in regards to the bonds.

Lori –Commented on the Village position on the prior administrations underfunding of the police pension. She recalls the prior board making full actuarial payments. How are the bonds that will be issued going to be paid back? With 1% sales taxes is that not going to the same well to many times, hasn't that been promised for the fire department and road improvements? Will you not have to raise property taxes to make the bond payments?

Lori stated the current administration does not have a plan.

Mayor Pro-Tem asked Finance Director Romo to chime in as Lori has made some misguided remarks

Romo- Our Independent auditors have recently issued an audit finding noting that the Village has not made the actuarial required contributions in many years and have instead chosen to meet the Illinois Department of Insurance's actuarial required contribution minimum. By making the

Illinois Department of Insurance's minimum payment it is the equivalent of making the minimum payment on your credit as it correlates to the actuarial required contribution. The Village is not acquiring new debt by issuing a pension bond, pension bond proceeds would eliminate pension debt that has incurred from prior years. Currently the Village actuary is requesting the Village pay approximately 1.6 million dollars for this current year. The Breakdown of that payment approx. 800,000 for our current police force and \$800,000 is for past underfunding's by issuing the bond, the Village will 100% funded thus actuarial contributions would fall from 1.6 million to \$800,000 an annual basis. The Village then will have approx. \$700,000 a year to pay the bond. Please note as I said before this not taking on new debt but swapping pension debt for bond debt in order to stabilize long-term budgeting, cash flow projections, and eliminating high interest rates on unfunded pension liabilities.

Phil Trudeau has been on the pension board for 13 years and the pension board president for the last 10 years. Phil advised that while he has been on the board they have only been paying the minimum. As a taxpayer and also eligible for the pension he is excited. Instead of losing the finance charge, we are now paying the finance charge of the credit card and not the debt. By paying off the debt we are taking off that minimum fee and able to pay off the loan. We are still paying the same amount but paying off the loan and we have a fully funded pension instead of a liability. I think it's a win win for pension and tax payers.

PRESENTATION OF BILLS AND ACCOUNTS

A motion was made by Trustee LeBran and seconded by Trustee Tieri to pay all bills and accounts. (6 ayes 0 nays) Motion carried.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

There was none

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

PUBLIC WORKS: STREETS, UTILITIES, SEWER, INFRASTRUCTURE

(Billingsley)

Trustee Billingsley advised they had a meeting and notes will be available on website.

A motion was made to adopt R-12-20-1 A Resolution Authorizing The Appropriation Of Funds For The Improvement Of Certain Roadways Located Within The Corporate Boundaries Of The Village Of Bradley, Kankakee County, Illinois (Riverlane Drive) by Trustee Billingsley and seconded by Trustee Redmond (6 ayes 0 nays) Motion carried

PARKS/COMMUNITY EVENTS (Westphal)

There was none

PUBLIC SAFETY: FIRE & POLICE (Tieri)

Chief Kaderabek gave a report.

Chief Barber gave a report.

ADMINISTRATION: INSURANCE, FINANCE, HUMAN RESOURCES (LeBran)

A motion was made to waive 2 reading for O-12-20-1 The 2020 Property Tax Levy Ordinance by Trustee LeBran and seconded by Trustee Billingsley (6 ayes 0 nays) Motion carried
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A motion was made to waive 2 readings for O-12-20-2 Ordinance Abating A Portion Of The Tax Hereto Levied For The Year 2020 To Pay The Principal Of And Interest On Not To Exceed \$4,750,000 General Sewerage Refunding Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2015A, Of The Village Of Bradley, Kankakee County, Illinois by Trustee LeBran and seconded by Trustee Billingsley (6 ayes 0 nays) Motion carried

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1st reading for O-12-20-3 An Ordinance Authorizing The Issuance Of General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source) Of The Village In An Aggregate Principal Amount Not To Exceed \$14,500,000 For The Purpose Of Funding All Or A Portion Of The Unfunded Police Pension Fund Liability Of Said City, Including Prepayment Of Such Liability, And Providing A Budget Stabilization Fund With Respect Thereto, And Paying The Expenses Incident Thereto.

**INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY/INNOVATION/PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT:
IT, COMMUNITY OUTREACH, MARKETING (Redmond)**

There was none

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT: CODE ENFORCEMENT, PLANNING & ZONING,
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (Watson)**

A motion was made to waive 2 readings O-12-20-4 An Ordinance Granting A Special Use Permit For Certain Property Within The Village OF Bradley, Kankakee County, Illinois (1660 North State Route 50/Former Pier 1 Property Redevelopment) by Trustee Tieri and seconded by Trustee Westphal (5 ayes 1 nay-Trustee Redmond) Motion carried

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O-12-20-5 An Ordinance Approving The Use Of Certain Property Located Within The Village Of Bradley For The Purposes Of A Dog Grooming Business (371 W Broadway Street/Bubbles & Barks) was tabled for next meeting.

Mayor Watson thanked everyone for a very successful Christmas parade and for all volunteers that helped made it successful.

Mayor Watson gave remaining days for the feeding mission and thanked all who have helped make it very successful.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was none

NEW BUSINESS

There was none

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Trustee Westphal and seconded by Trustee Billingsley to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:44 p.m. on a unanimous aye vote.

Submitted by,


Julie Tambling
Village Clerk