

The regular meeting of the Brandenburg City Council was held May 09, 2022 at Brandenburg City Hall.

PRESENT:

~~Ronnie C. Joyner, Mayor~~
Amy Haynes, City Clerk
Brian Haag, Police Chief
T.J. Hughes, Public Works Dir.
Rachel Brown, City Atty
Tim Hendley, Sergeant

COUNCILMEMBERS

Charlotte Ford
Bruce Fackler
Bryan Claycomb
Bill Basham
Bradley Johnston
Ginger Coomes

VISITORS: Gene Webster-WVIH, David Pace – Industrial Authority

ASSIGNMENT OF MAYOR PRO TEM FOR MEETING:

A motion was made by Bruce Fackler, seconded by Bradley Johnston, to assign Bryan Claycomb as Mayor Pro Tem for the council meeting. Vote of motion was unanimous.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & PRAYER:

The meeting was called to order @ 7:00pm and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer led by Bruce Fackler.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made by Bill Basham, seconded by Charlotte Ford, to approve the April 11th and April 26th, 2022 council meeting minutes as submitted. Vote of motion was unanimous.

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY:

David Pace, Chairman of the Meade Co/Brandenburg Industrial Development Authority submitted a recommendation to the City Council that they reappoint Mitch Crump as a City representative on the board for another 3 year term. A motion was made by Bill Basham, seconded by Bruce Fackler, to appoint Mitch Crump for a 3 year term on the Industrial Development Authority board. Vote of motion was unanimous.

Mr. Pace the updated on a funding request to both the City and the County which would provide the possibility of a coordinator for the office full-time. He indicated that the requested amount would be in the area of \$35,000.00 annually from both the City and the County. He supported the notion with examples of previous numbers from the Industrial Authority, including over 2 billion dollars in new projects, 780 jobs provided in our area, and millions of dollars in payroll. He stated they are showing property almost every day in the community to prospective developers.

Mr. Pace then mentioned that Eddie Kane Steel, to be located on Moremen Road would like for the sewer to possibly be extended to their property. The line currently ends at the Fred Wheatley property just up the road. He stated the property will host a 30,000 square foot building, and plans are for it to be complete by the end of 2022. Councilmember Claycomb stated that the City would like a statement of intent from Eddie Kane Steel in regards to what type of disposal they will be placing in the City's sewer systems. Mr. Pace stated that it would predominantly regular human/household waste, but would have a letter drawn stating the intent.

Pace then updated on the status of the waterline extension to the Miller's Welding property on Hwy 933. 3 bids were received, 2 which included rock removal, and 1 which listed rock removal as an addition. He stated the bids came in under budget and plans were to start in 2 weeks or less, with the

project taking approximately 8 days to complete. Phillips Brothers Construction was the low bid, and would be notified on the following day (05-11-22).

Councilmember Fackler then asked for a status update on NUCOR. Mr. Pace stated that their plan was to begin making product in July, and producing the first plate by December 31, 2022.

MONTHLY TRANSFERS:

A motion was made by Bruce Fackler, seconded by Bill Basham to approve the transfers as read by City Clerk Amy Haynes. Vote of motion was unanimous.

YARD OF THE MONTH:

The Yard of the Month for May 2022 was awarded to Mr. & Mrs. Jimmy Medley at 447 Broadway.

PLANNING & ZONING:

The Council reviewed a rezoning request by Sande Brown for property at 830 Old Ekron Road, from it's present zone of R2 to the requested zoning of C2. The Planning & Zoning Commission had approved the rezoning at their April 19, 2022 meeting. A motion was made by Ginger Coomes, seconded by Bruce Fackler, to approve the rezoning based on the P&Z Commission's recommendation. Vote of motion was unanimous.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Office: The monthly office report was presented by Amy Haynes, City Clerk.

Police: The monthly report was presented by Chief Haag for the Police Dept. and COP's for April. Chief Haag then updated that the new school resource officer had been interviewed and hired, and would be starting the job on June 1, 2022. He stated that Officer Childs will attend the June council meeting in order to be introduced to the City Council.

Water/Sewer:

TJ Hughes presented the monthly water/sewer report. He mentioned that the riverboats would be making several stops in our Park this year, and stated he would have the dates sent out to councilmembers via email.

WWTP Update:

According to Councilmember Claycomb, the sewer plant is on schedule to come online near the end of June 2022. And he mentioned at the request of the absent Mayor Joyner, that he wanted to update that House Bill 1 was approved as a 10 million dollar reward for the County, of which 2.1 million dollars will be awarded to the City of Brandenburg. Mayor Joyner states this funding would allow for a new well, the Water Plant update, as well as the Moremen Road water storage tank projects to be completed.

PARKS:

City Clerk Amy Haynes updated that the Meade County High School Agricultural Dept. had planted the hanging parks for the Park, and they have been placed. It was also mentioned that there is already damage to the playground in the Park, but that both Amy Haynes and T.J. Hughes have been in contact with the seller, and were waiting word on replacement parts.

Councilmember Bruce Fackler then asked that the City approach the State Hwy Dept. about the possibility of them repaving Main Street as soon as possible, due to its poor condition. T.J. Hughes stated that he believed it had been put on hold pending the sidewalk project, but that the City will look into what can be done.

BUSINESS LICENSES:

J & J Snack Shack

Address: Inside City Limits

Type of Business: Food Truck/Trailer

Applicant: Jim Kline

A motion was made by Bill Basham, seconded by Ginger Coomes, to approve the business license for J & J Snack Shack. Vote of motion was unanimous.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Councilman Basham wanted to commend all of the City employees for their dedication and he was met in agreeance by many Councilmembers. Councilmember Claycomb stated that the City should continue to do all that we can for our employees considering today's job market.

A motion was made by Bruce Fackler to adjourn the regular meeting, seconded by Charlotte Ford. Vote of motion was unanimous.

Ronnie Joyner, Mayor

Amy M. Haynes, City Clerk