

## **CITY OF CASEVILLE COUNCIL MEETING**

December 13, 2021

### **CALL TO ORDER:**

The December 13, 2021 Meeting of the Caseville City Council was called to Order by Mayor Christopher Stahl at 5:30 p.m. The meeting was held in the Caseville City Hall, 6767 Main, in Caseville Michigan. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

### **ROLL CALL:**

Present: Jerald Ignash, Darin Sprague, Todd Talaski, Clint Braun, John Tait, Kenneth Rathje and Mayor Christopher Stahl. Others present: Jamie Learman, Office Admin/Clerk

### **SET AGENDA:**

**MOTION Carried**, by Talaski second by Tait to set the agenda as presented. **6-0 Approved.**

### **MINUTES APPROVAL:**

**MOTION Carried**, by Rathje second by Sprague to approve the minutes of the November 8, 2021 Council Meeting as presented. **6-0 Approved.**

### **INVOICES, BUDGET AMENDMENTS & TRANSFERS:**

**RESOLUTION #2021-56, INVOICES, ROLL CALL**, by Talaski second by Tait to approve invoices in the amount as presented: Paid through December 9, 2021 \$173,795.02. **Roll Call vote approved 6-0.**

**RESOLUTION #2021-57, AMENDMENT, ROLL CALL**, by Rathje second by Ignash to increase 101-276-850 (cemetery expenses) by \$2,300. **Roll Call vote approved 6-0.**

### **PRESENTATIONS:**

Brian Hazard, CPA, Nietzke & Faupel, P.C. presented the City's FY 2021 Audit

### **REPORTS:**

Written reports were received from the Zoning Administrator, Planning Commission, Oakwood Senior Citizen Housing, Caseville Harbor Commission, Advisory Water Board, Caseville Area Fire Protection Assn. and the Employee Relations committee.

**MOTION Carried**, by Sprague second by Rathje to file the Reports as presented. **6-0 Approved.**

### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

None

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Louis Johnson asked about the latest on the Riverside Park property. Jamie Learman told him we have been recommended for grant funding by the Michigan DNR and now await legislative approval. Johnson also commented on the Census data.

Michael Muscat asked about the ambulance subsidy and the yearly police report.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

None

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**FIRST READING** Ordinance Codification #2022-1 and Chapter 1287 Body Art Facilities #2022-2 amendments as recommended by the Planning Commission.

**MOTION Carried**, by Rathje second by Sprague to set a public hearing for January 10, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. to discuss the proposed ordinance changes. **6-0 Approved.**

**MOTION Carried**, by Talaski second by Tait to appoint Louis Johnson to the Planning Commission, term ending 9/2022. **6-0 Approved.**

**MOTION Carried**, by Sprague second by Talaski to appoint Michael Muscat to the Zoning Board of Appeals, term ending 7/2023. **6-0 Approved.**

**MOTION Carried**, by Rathje second by Tait to accept the letter of retirement from Dena Withey. **6-0 Approved.**

**RESOLUTION #2021-58**, ROLL CALL, by Sprague second by Braun to approve the 2022-2024 employment agreement between the City and Troy Hartz. **Roll Call vote approved 6-0.**

**RESOLUTION #2021-59**, ROLL CALL, by Braun second by Ignash to approve the 2022-2024 employment agreement between the City and Jamie Learman. **Roll Call vote approved 6-0.**

**RESOLUTION #2021-60**, ROLL CALL, by Sprague second by Rathje to approve the 2022-2024 employment agreement between the City and Kyle Romzek. **Roll Call vote approved 6-0.**

**RESOLUTION #2021-61**, ROLL CALL, by Sprague second by Rathje to approve the 2022-2024 contract between the City and Local Unit 15157-06, DPW/Water/Office. **Roll Call vote approved 6-0.**

**RESOLUTION #2021-62**, ROLL CALL, by Rathje second by Sprague to renew the insurance agreement with the Steelworkers Health and Welfare fund for 2022. **Roll Call vote approved 6-0.**

**RESOLUTION #2021-63**, ROLL CALL, by Rathje second by Tait to opt out of the State of Michigan 20% co-pay requirement for health insurance by offering BCBS HDHP policy administered by Highmark through the United Steelworkers Health & Welfare Fund for City employees as stated in the collective bargaining agreements and supervisor employment agreements. The employees will contribute weekly towards health insurance costs as stated in their agreements. **Roll Call vote approved 6-0.**

**RESOLUTION #2021-64**, ROLL CALL, by Talaski second by Tait to hire Kristen Maust as full-time Treasurer/Deputy Clerk for the City of Caseville. **Roll Call vote approved 6-0.**

**RESOLUTION #2021-65**, ROLL CALL, by Sprague second by Tait to authorize the check signing list for the City of Caseville.(attached \*\*adding Mayor Stahl & Kristen Maust and removing Dena Withey) **Roll Call vote approved 6-0.**

**RESOLUTION #2021-66**, ROLL CALL, by Ignash second by Talaski to set the water rate for Pigeon and Caseville Township at \$5.00 per thousand. Effective January 1, 2022 for the April 1, 2022 bill. **Roll Call vote approved 6-0.**

**RESOLUTION #2021-67**, ROLL CALL, by Braun second by Tait to approve the Real and Personal property tax exemption procedures. (attached) **Roll Call vote approved 6-0.**

**RESOLUTION #2021-68**, ROLL CALL, by Sprague second by Braun to approve the waiving of penalties for non-filing of Property Transfer Affidavits. (attached) **Roll Call vote approved 6-0.**

**RESOLUTION #2021-69**, ROLL CALL, by Braun second by Tait to approve the 2022-2024 contract between the City and Local Unit 15157-11, Police. **Roll Call vote approved 6-0.**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Michael Muscat commented on the contracts.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

Talaski said the county hired a new medical examiner, opted in to the Opioid Settlement, Judge Clabuesch is set to retire in January. He said they are working on their 2022 budget and he also spoke about the people going around filming in the public buildings. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**MOTION Carried**, by Sprague second by Rathje to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m. **6-0 Approved.**

Jamie Learman, Office Admin./Clerk

Christopher C. Stahl, Mayor

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