

**CITY OF CASEVILLE COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 8, 2016**

CALL TO ORDER

The February 8, 2016 Meeting of the Caseville City Council was called to Order by Mayor Patricia Des Jardins at 6:30 p.m. The meeting was held in the Caseville City/Township Hall, 6767 Main, in Caseville Michigan. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Council Members Clint Braun, Debra Estep, Jerald Ignash, Darin Sprague and Todd Talaski; Mayor Patricia Des Jardins. (Michelle Beltz - excused)

Others present: Jamie Learman, Clerk; David Quinn, DPW Supervisor; and Kyle Romzek, Police Chief.

SET AGENDA

MOTION Carried, by Estep, second by Talaski, to set the agenda as presented. Roll Call Vote **Passed**: 5-0 (Beltz absent).

MINUTES APPROVAL

MOTION Carried, by Estep second by Braun to approve the minutes of the January 11, 2016 Council Meeting as presented. Roll Call Vote **Passed**: 5-0 (Beltz absent).

MOTION Carried, by Estep second by Ignash to approve the minutes of the January 28, 2016 Special Council Meeting as presented. Roll Call Vote **Passed**: 5-0 (Beltz absent).

INVOICES, BUDGET AMENDMENTS & TRANSFERS

RESOLUTION #2016-10, BUDGET AMENDMENTS, ROLL CALL, by Talaski second by Estep, to approve amendments to f.y. 2016 budget in the amount of \$9,000 as presented. Roll Call Vote **Passed**: 5-0 (Beltz absent).

RESOLUTION #2016-11, INVOICES, ROLL CALL, by Talaski second by Braun to approve Invoices as presented in the amount of **\$329,690.43**. (Paid through 2-5-16 \$326,686.56 and Pending Approval \$3,003.87) Roll Call Vote **Passed**: 5-0 (Beltz absent).

PRESENTATIONS

There were no presentations

REPORTS

Written reports and minutes were received and discussed by the Council.

MOTION, Carried, by Estep, second by Talaski, to file the Reports as presented. Roll Call Vote **Passed**: 5-0 (Beltz absent).

CORRESPONDENCE

A letter of thanks was received and read from Kelly Hanson, Huron Co. Sheriff.
A letter from Gilbert Miles was referred to the DPW Committee.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Joanne Vander Meulen talked about grass ordinances and subdivision rules regarding the same.
Wayne Hazzard said there is an ordinance requiring grass in the City.
Clyde Campbell said he doesn't think there is an ordinance requiring grass and doesn't understand why the City feels it is necessary to take over Plumbing and Mechanical inspection.
Clark Elftman commented about Michigan works, Saginaw Bay Watershed and a child advocacy center.
Chief Romzek talked about Shanty Days.
David Quinn thanked Braun Builders and Bad Axe Marble and Granit for donating their time and services to repairing the monument in City park.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION Carried, by Estep second by Talaski to appoint Alice Hazzard as an alternate of the Board of Review, term expires 1/2018. Roll Call Vote **Passed**: 5-0 (Beltz absent).

MOTION Carried by Talaski second by Estep to extend one Health Insurance policy to retirees with at least 10 years seniority with the city through the USW Health & Welfare Fund. Premiums will be paid in full by the retiree. Roll Call Vote **Passed**: 5-0 (Beltz absent).

MOTION, Carried by Talaski second by Estep to hire Raymond Heins as the Electrical Inspector for the City of Caseville effective April 2016 pending State of Michigan Bureau of Construction Codes approval. Roll Call Vote **Passed**: 5-0 (Beltz absent).

RESOLUTION #2016-12, (APPROVED) by Talaski second by Ignash to approve the Contract for attorney services of Robert Thall of Buckham, Sparks, Thall, Seeber & Kaufman to assist the city's assessor with the pending tax tribunal case and other assessor related matters. The contract is effective February 1, 2016 through February 1, 2017. Roll Call Vote **Passed**: 5-0 (Beltz absent).

RESOLUTION #2016-13, (APPROVED) by Talaski second by Sprague to approve the following list of Election Inspectors for calendar year 2016: CHAIRPERSONS: Dena Withey & Colleen Poisson (co-chairpersons); INSPECTORS: Alice Hazzard, Louis & Linda Balaze, Dianna Dunn, Jacqueline Finneren, Daniel & Karen Korbitt, Rebecca McGeathy, Marilyn Mitchell, Joanne Vander Meulen, Gail Wilcox and Elizabeth Willenberg. This list shall not be limited to those named in the resolution. RATE OF PAY for 2016 elections shall be: Chair \$12/hr. Inspectors \$11/ hr. Roll Call Vote **Passed**: 5-0 (Beltz absent).

RESOLUTION #2016-14, (APPROVED) by Talaski second by Braun to set a Public Hearing for March 14, 2016 @ 6:00 p.m. (prior to the Council Meeting) for a proposed improvement project by the Breakwall. Roll Call Vote **Passed**: 5-0 (Beltz absent).

MOTION, Carried by Talaski second by Braun to authorize the Caseville Area Fire Protection Association to conduct a controlled burn of Phragmites in Caseville as recommended by the Parks and Recreation Committee. Roll Call Vote **Passed**: 5-0 (Beltz absent).

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Wayne Hazzard asked the Council to make sure they notify all the people around the areas to be burned.

Joanne Vander Meulen asked where the areas were to be burned.

Jamie Learman reminded everyone to vote during the March 8th Presidential Primary.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Todd Talaski asked for anyone that could help the City write a grant.

Jerald Ignash talked about grants and the amount of work that goes into them.

Clint Braun informed everyone that Al Mason was doing well.

Mayor Des Jardins reminded the Council of the training at 7pm on Tuesday the 9th.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION, Carried by Estep second by Talaski to adjourn. Roll Call Vote **Passed**: 5-0 (Beltz absent).

Jamie D. Learman, Office Admin / Clerk

Patricia Des Jardins, Mayor