

CITY OF CASEVILLE COUNCIL MEETING
October 14, 2024

CALL TO ORDER:

The October 14, 2024 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 Historical Building, 6733 Prospect St., in Caseville Michigan. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL:

Roll Call – MEMBERS PRESENT: Kenneth Rathje, Darin Sprague, John Tait, Jeffrey Hervert, Jacob Kretschmer and Christopher Stahl (Mayor). Absent: Jerald Ignash. Others Present: Jamie Learman, City Manager and Troy Hartz, D.P.W. Supervisor.

SET AGENDA:

MOTION Carried, by Rathje second by Sprague to amend the agenda, adding a resolution to purchase a generator.
5-0 Approved.

MINUTES APPROVAL:

MOTION Carried, by Tait second by Sprague to approve the minutes of the September 9, 2024 Council Meeting as presented. **5-0 Approved.**

INVOICES, BUDGET AMENDMENTS & TRANSFERS:

RESOLUTION #2024-62, INVOICES, ROLL CALL, by Rathje second by Kretschmer to approve invoices in the amount presented of \$419,134.68, paid through 10-10-2024. **Roll Call Vote Approved 5-0.**

RESOLUTION #2024-63, TRANSFERS, ROLL CALL, by Rathje second by Hervert to approve F.Y. 2025, 1st Quarter Budgeted Transfers in the amount of \$51,331.13. **Roll Call Vote Approved 5-0.**

RESOLUTION #2024-64, AMENDMENTS, ROLL CALL, by Sprague second by Hervert to amend the DDA Façade grant budget by \$47,000. (764-807-750) **Roll Call Vote Approved 5-0.**

PRESENTATIONS:

None

REPORTS:

Written reports were received from the Zoning Administrator, Planning Commission, Caseville Downtown Development Authority, Oakwood Senior Citizens Housing, Caseville Harbor Commission and the Caseville Area Fire Protection Assn. Hartz talked about the generator for the low lift and how parts are hard to find for the old one. They are flushing hydrants and continue to work with the engineers and EGLE to figure out the discoloration of the water. Jamie Learman talked about the November 5th election and the early voting options. He reported they sent out 186 absent voter ballots and have received 99 back so far.

MOTION Carried, by Rathje second by Sprague to file the Reports as presented. **5-0 Approved.**

CORRESPONDENCE:

APM Mosquito yearly wrap-up report
APM Mosquito 2025 contract costs
Steelworkers Health & Welfare Fund 2025 health insurance costs

PUBLIC COMMENTS: - (Agenda Items Only)

Michael Muscat asked about the October 7th payment to Trace and the ammo purchase. Hartz talked about the Trace bill. They are a water testing company. The ammo was purchased for the police and their range session. James Smith said the mosquito spraying is working and the water is not good.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

MOTION Carried, by Sprague second by Kretzschmer to set Halloween Trick-or-Treat hours for 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on October 31, 2024. **5-0 Approved.**

MOTION Carried, by Rathje second by Tait to appoint James Smith to the Planning Commission to fill the remaining term for Teresa Calkins. Term ending 9/2025. **5-0 Approved.**

RESOLUTION #2024-65, ROLL CALL, by Sprague 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 continue to contribute weekly towards health insurance costs as stated in their agreements. **Roll Call Vote Approved 5-0.**

RESOLUTION #2024-66, ROLL CALL, by Rathje second by Sprague to renew the health insurance agreement with the Steelworkers Health and Welfare fund for 2025. **Roll Call Vote Approved 5-0.**

RESOLUTION #2024-67, ROLL CALL, by Sprague second by Kretzschmer to approve the 2025 mosquito contract budget of \$29,780. **Roll Call Vote Approved 5-0.**

RESOLUTION #2024-68, ROLL CALL, by Tait second by Kretzschmer to purchase a generator for the low lift from Problem Solved LLC. at a cost not to exceed \$60,000. **Roll Call Vote Approved 5-0.**

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

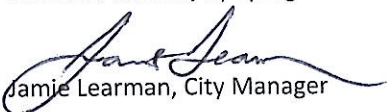
James Smith thanked the Council for the vote on him being added to the Planning Commission. He asked for an update on the Riverside Park property. Learman stated the EGLE permit is in the final stages of approval, then we can go out for bids on the seawall and launches. The building and pavilion construction will begin next spring. Louis Johnson asked about docks. The city plans docks in the future at the Riverside Park.

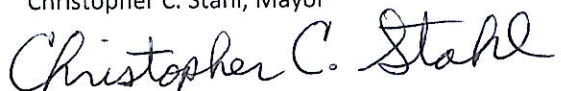
COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Sprague said he hopes we get the water situation figured out soon.
Rathje thanked everyone for their thoughts and cards on the passing of his wife. He stated they mean a lot.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION Carried, by Sprague second by Rathje to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m. **5-0 Approved.**


Jamie Learman, City Manager

Christopher C. Stahl, Mayor


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