CITY OF CASEVILLE COUNCIL MEETING

February 12, 2024

CALL TO ORDER:

The February 12, 2024 Meeting of the Caseville City Council was called to Order by Mayor Christopher Stahl at 5:50 p.m. The meeting was held in the Caseville City Hall, 6767 Main St., in Caseville Michigan. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL:

Jamie Learman informed the council of the vacancy created by Clint Braun moving out of town. They have 30 days to fill the position. He informed the Council that they have received letters from two interested parties so far.

MEMEBRS PRESENT: Kenneth Rathje, Jerald Ignash, Darin Sprague, Todd Talaski and Christopher Stahl (Mayor). Absent: John Tait. Others Present: Jamie Learman, Office Admin/Clerk and Deborah Hopkins, Police Chief.

SET AGENDA:

MOTION Carried, by Rathje second by Sprague to set the agenda as presented. 4-0 Approved.

PUBLIC HEARING:

A Hearing for public input on the proposed ordinance #2024-1 Ordinance Codification.

Jamie Learman read the proposed ordinance change.

Public Comments - None

Correspondence - None

MOTION Carried, by Rathje second Ignash to adjourn the Public Hearing at 5:58 p.m. and resume the Regular Business Meeting. **4-0 Approved**.

MINUTES APPROVAL:

MOTION Carried, by Talaski second by Sprague to approve the minutes of the January 8, 2024 Council Meeting as presented. **4-0 Approved.**

INVOICES, BUDGET AMENDMENTS & TRANSFERS:

RESOLUTION #2024-7, ROLL CALL, by Talaski second by Ignash to approve the FY 2024 budget amendments in the amount of \$138,300.00.(attached) Roll Call Vote Approved 4-0.

RESOLUTION #2024-8, INVOICES, ROLL CALL, by Sprague second by Ignash to approve invoices in the amount as presented: Paid through February 8, 2024, total \$240,123.42. **Roll Call Vote Approved 4-0.**

PRESENTATIONS:

None

REPORTS:

Written reports were received from the Zoning Administrator, Advisory Water Board, Caseville Area Fire Protection Assn., Election Commission and the Police Committee. Jamie Learman talked about the upcoming election and the new early voting process. Chief Hopkins said the new patrol car is being equipped and she has a couple of candidates interested in the police academy. Ken Rathje said they are working on scheduling a meeting to talk with the township about shared police services.

MOTION Carried, by Sprague second by Ignash to file the Reports as presented. 4-0 Approved.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Caseville Area Fire Protection 2024-2025 budget Sheriff Kelly Hanson thanking the city for its donation

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Louis Johnson asked if we just hired a person for the police department and what happened to them. He was told by Chief Hopkins they were still here, but she wanted to talk with the township and she needed more help. Jamie Learman mentioned that the current estimated election costs, including the new early voting, is going to cost the city over \$7,000. Some of the expenses will be reimbursable by the political parties. Darin Sprague asked both Jeff Hervert and Jacob Kretzschmer to talk about themselves and why they are

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

interested in council.

None

NEW BUSINESS:

ORDINANCE:

Ordinance #2024-1, by Sprague second by Ignash to adopt the codification of the 2023 ordinance changes. Roll Call Vote Approved 4-0.

RESOLUTION #2024-9, ROLL CALL, by Talaski second by Ignash to approve the proposed annual budget for the Caseville Area Fire Protection Association for 2024-2025 as presented by the Caseville Area Fire Protection Association governing board. The city will be responsible for the equivalent of 1 mil of its taxable value. **Roll Call Vote Approved 4-0.**

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Talaski talked about the cost savings having the DPW install the new water filters. Rathje thanked Clint Braun for his service and thanked everyone for coming.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION Carried, by Sprague second by Ignash to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m. 4-0 Approved.

Jamie Learman, Office Admin./Clerk

Christopher C. Stahl, Mayor

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