

CITY OF CASEVILLE COUNCIL MEETING

August 8, 2022

CALL TO ORDER:

The August 8, 2022 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: Darin Sprague, Todd Talaski, John Tait, Clint Braun, Kenneth Rathje and Mayor Christopher Stahl. Absent: Jerald Ignash. Others present: Jamie Learman, Office Admin/Clerk and Troy Hartz, DPW Supt. and Deborah Hopkins, Police Chief

SET AGENDA:

MOTION Carried, by Rathje second by Braun to amend the agenda, adding a resolution for a memorandum of understanding with the union for the police contract. **5-0 Approved.**

MINUTES APPROVAL:

MOTION Carried, by Sprague second by Tait to approve the minutes of the July 11, 2022 Council Meeting as presented / **5-0 Approved.**

INVOICES, BUDGET AMENDMENTS & TRANSFERS:

RESOLUTION #2022-46, INVOICES, ROLL CALL, by Talaski second by Braun to approve invoices in the amount as presented: Paid through 8-4-2022, total \$151,900.41. **Roll Call Vote Approved 5-0.**

PRESENTATIONS:

None

REPORTS:

Written reports were received from the Zoning Administrator, Caseville D.D.A., Oakwood Senior Housing, Advisory Water Board, Caseville Area Fire Protection Assn., Election Commission and Police Committee. Troy Hartz said they are getting ready for Cheeseburger. He has the permit for the parade and is working on a cross-walk sign. Jamie Learman spoke about the August 2nd election turnout. Chief Hopkins talked about the July statistics.

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

CORRESPONDENCE:

Historical Society thanking the City for its donation

Caseville Chamber of Commerce request to change the "Witches Walk" parade route

Nietzke & Faupel, P.C. engagement letter

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Louis Johnson asked if anything could be done about the 2020 Census. He felt the numbers were inaccurate.

Steve DiClaudio said he was present to answer any questions regarding the bond refinance.

Janice Prill said the port-a-john near the parking lot looks bad.

Jamie Learman told the Council that Michelle Louwers said they are pumping that port-a-john twice a week, because it is getting so much use.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

ORDINANCE – Jamie Learman read the Water Revenue Bond Refinance Ordinance.

ORDINANCE #2022-3, by Sprague second Talaski to authorize the refunding of the Water Supply and Distributions System Revenue Bonds of the City of Caseville and to provide for the issuance and sale of revenue refunding bonds to pay the cost thereof. **Roll Call Vote Approved 5-0.**

MOTION Carried, by Talaski second by Tait to re-appoint Louis Johnson to the Planning Commission, term ending 9/2025. **5-0 Approved.**

MOTION Carried, by Sprague second by Tait to re-appoint Teresa Calkins to the Planning Commission, term ending 9/2025. **5-0 Approved.**

MOTION Carried, by Talaski second by Sprague to approve the port-a-john at the corner of the Malosky Parking Lot on Pine Street for the duration of the Chamber's Market on Main. **4-1 Approved (Tait-Nay).**

MOTION Carried, by Sprague second by Rathje to approve the changes to the "Witches Walk" request on October 29, 2022, to include closing Main Street from Michigan Street to Pine Street. Walk starts at 6 p.m. **5-0 Approved.**

RESOLUTION #2022-47, ROLL CALL, by Sprague second by Tait to approve the Engagement Letter with Nietzke & Faupel, PC to conduct the City audit for F.Y. 2022, cost not to exceed \$12,900. **Roll Call Vote Approved 5-0.**

RESOLUTION #2022-48, ROLL CALL, by Rathje second by Tait to authorize all delinquent accounts and invoices billed by the City prior to April 1, 2022 to be turned over to the 2022 Winter Tax Roll. **Roll Call Vote Approved 5-0.**

RESOLUTION #2022-49, ROLL CALL, by Tait second by Rathje to hire Scott Sheets as a part time police officer. **Roll Call Vote Approved 5-0.**

RESOLUTION #2022-50, ROLL CALL, by Talaski second by Braun to approve the project agreement for the DNR Trust Fund Grant TF21-0112 for the development of Riverside Park and to appropriate at least \$200,000 of City funds to complete this project. **Roll Call Vote Approved 5-0.**

RESOLUTION #2022-51, ROLL CALL, by Tait second by Braun to send a memorandum of understanding to the union to set the police starting pay steps at the same language as the DPW/Water/Office contract. **Roll Call Vote Approved 5-0.**

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mike Smith thought the port-a-john is necessary since most stores don't have bathrooms.

Louis Johnson talked about some blight issues at commercial buildings. He also asked the Council to add an ordinance for vendors to clean up their grease after cooking.

Janice Prill said the Council should look into another permanent bathroom.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Talaski said the county is looking for board members on the Mental Health, Transportation & Nature Center boards. They are working on contracts and have updated the security cameras at the courthouse. He wished everyone a good Cheeseburger.

Rathje thanked everyone for coming.

Stahl thanked everyone for coming.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION Carried, by Sprague second by Tait to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m. **5-0 Approved.**

Jamie Learman, Office Admin./Clerk

Christopher C. Stahl, Mayor

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