

CITY OF CASEVILLE COUNCIL MEETING
July 8, 2024

CALL TO ORDER:

The July 8, 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 City Hall, 6767 Main St., in Caseville Michigan. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL:

Roll Call – MEMBERS PRESENT: Kenneth Rathje, Jerald Ignash, Darin Sprague, John Tait, Jeffrey Hervert, Jacob Kretschmer and Christopher Stahl (Mayor). **Others Present:** Jamie Learman, Office Admin/Clerk and Deborah Hopkins, Police Chief.

SET AGENDA:

MOTION Carried, by Sprague second by Ignash to amend and set the agenda with the addition of the Resolution to award the bid for the Sewer CWSRF project. **6-0 Approved.**

MINUTES APPROVAL:

MOTION Carried, by Rathje second by Sprague to approve the minutes of the June 10, 2024 Council Meeting as presented. **6-0 Approved.**

INVOICES, BUDGET AMENDMENTS & TRANSFERS:

RESOLUTION #2024-39, BUDGETED TRANSFERS, ROLL CALL, by Sprague second by Rathje to approve FY 2024 4th Quarter Budgeted Transfers in the amount of \$44,032.15 (Attached) **Roll Call Vote Approved 6-0.**

RESOLUTION #2024-40, AMENDMENTS, ROLL CALL, by Tait second by Sprague to approve the FY 2024 Expense Budget Amendments of \$18,500. **Roll Call Vote Approved 6-0.**

RESOLUTION #2024-41, INVOICES, ROLL CALL, by Sprague second by Hervert to approve the invoices, as presented, paid through July 5, 2024 totaling \$378,090.18. **Roll Call Vote Approved 6-0.**

PRESENTATIONS:

None

REPORTS:

Written reports were received from the Zoning Administrator, Caseville Downtown Development Authority, Oakwood Senior Citizens Housing, Caseville Harbor Commission and the Caseville Area Fire Protection Assn. Chief Hopkins detailed the holiday weekend, talked about golf carts and the coverage for Cheeseburger.

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

CORRESPONDENCE:

Chamber of Commerce requesting permission for the 50/50 raffle.
David Addy reference drag shows and the Witches Walk.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

April and Henry Ranke felt the council should respond to Addy's letter.

Louis Johnson said the council has no control over those events that meet the ordinance requirements. He also talked about the Breakwall camera and the free Wifi at the park provided by AVS Broadband.

Michael Muscat commended the city and the chamber on the fireworks. He talked about the bathrooms at the park and police staffing issues.

Todd Talaski said the 4th was busy. The county senior wellness center is finally getting into their building this September, they are accepting bids for a Medical Examiner Tuesday, have a new paging system in place for EMS and had issues with Juneteenth due to contracts that were already negotiated.

Wendy Waldrep felt the council should acknowledge the letter received.

James Smith said the fireworks were great. He also said it was time to work on getting more police help and he talked about hiring procedures and felt they should stay consistent when it comes to the process for replacing retiring workers. He said first street helped with traffic on River St.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION #2024-36, to approve the payment to Scheurer Hospital of \$5,216 for the ambulance subsidy. No new information was received from Scheurer, this resolution has failed to receive support to bring it to a vote.

NEW BUSINESS:

Jamie Learman read the proposed Sewer Revenue Bond ordinance.

ORDINANCE # 2024-3, ROLL CALL, by Sprague second by Ignash to adopt the sewer revenue bond ordinance. (Attached) **Roll Call Vote Approved 6-0.**

MOTION Carried, by Tait second by Ignash to approve the Chamber of Commerce to conduct the 50/50 raffle on August 14, 2024. **6-0 Approved.**

RESOLUTION #2024-42, ROLL CALL, by Sprague second by Tait to approve the contribution of \$1,000 to the Caseville Historical Society for F.Y. 2025, as allowed by State of Michigan Act 213 of 1957 (MCL 399.171). **Roll Call Vote Approved 6-0.**

RESOLUTION #2024-43, ROLL CALL, by Sprague second by Tait to pay the membership dues of \$210 and to donate \$3,000 for F.Y. 2025 to the Caseville Chamber of Commerce for its Independence Day festivities (fireworks) **Roll Call Vote Approved 6-0.**

RESOLUTION #2024-44, ROLL CALL, by Sprague second by Tait to award the bid of \$12,800 to Tyler Hanson of Al Hanson Motors for the 2014 Chevrolet Tahoe Police Vehicle. **Roll Call Vote Approved 6-0.**

RESOLUTION #2024-45, ROLL CALL, by Sprague second by Ignash to authorize vending around town for TSS Photography of Ubly to take and sell pictures for \$100 per day. **Roll Call Vote Approved 6-0.**

RESOLUTION #2024-46, ROLL CALL, by Ignash second by Tait to approve the tentative awarding of the bid to Waldorf & Sons Inc. for the CWSRF project replacement of the sewer lift stations. (Attached) **Roll Call Vote Approved 6-0.**

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Henry Ranke said he disagrees with the stakes on Cristiano's property and said he couldn't find the pins in the ground, even after trying with a shovel. He talked to the surveyor and they want \$200 to remark the pins. Jamie Learman advised him he should not be going on Cristiano's property without permission.

April Ranke said they are doing a better job, but there are still issues. She appreciated the police attempts at enforcement. She checked with MDOT about a traffic light at Main & Michigan. She was advised that perhaps a study could be done after the campground gets established.

Todd Talaski talked about helping the Army Corp install sensors for waves and the possibility of an additional wall. James Smith asked about food trucks, the community center timeline and stated he was glad to hear the police statistics.

Louis Johnson said the city should coordinate with the Harbor Commission on colors for the community center. He said they should look for a solution to the muck at the Breakwall to make cleanup easier.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Rathje said it is difficult to find police to work the festival and maybe they should think about shortening Cheeseburger.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION Carried, by Sprague second by Tait to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m. **6-0 Approved.**


Jamie Learman, Office Admin./Clerk


Christopher C. Stahl, Mayor

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