

# City of Casey



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## Mayor

Nik Groothuis

## City Clerk

Jeremy Mumford

## City Treasurer

Gail Lorton

## Utilities Superintendent

Shelby Biggs

## Police Chief

Mark Jenkins

## City Collector

Natasha Hickox

## Aldermen

Bob Dane

Jesse Dennis

Michael Nichols

Pete Todd

Kelsey Washburn

Jerome Williams

## REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL WEDNESDAY JANUARY 3<sup>RD</sup>, 2018 6:00 P.M

The Regular Meeting of the City Council was held Wednesday January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018; beginning at 6:00 p.m. Mayor Nik Groothuis presided and called the Meeting to Order and led the Pledge of Allegiance:

### Roll Call:

Present: Alderman Dennis  
Alderman Nichols  
Alderman Todd  
Alderman Washburn

Absent: Alderman Dane  
Alderman Williams

A quorum was declared.

Public Forum: None

Community Affairs: None

### Meeting Minutes:

Mayor Groothuis looked for approval of the Minutes of the December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Council Meeting.

Alderman Dennis motioned approval of the December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Council Meeting Minutes, seconded by Alderman Washburn. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 4 – Dennis, Nichols, Todd and Washburn

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 2 – Dane and Williams

Motion declared carried

Mayor Groothuis looked for approval of the Minutes of the December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Public Hearing.

Alderman Todd motioned approval of the December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Public Hearing Minutes, seconded by Alderman Washburn. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 4 – Nichols, Todd, Washburn and Groothuis

Nays: 0 – None



Abstain: 1 - Dennis  
Absent: 2 – Dane and Williams  
Motion declared carried

Mayor Groothuis looked for approval of the Minutes of the December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Special Council Meeting.

Alderman Washburn motioned approval of the December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Special Council Meeting, seconded by Alderman Todd. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 4 – Nichols, Todd, Washburn and Groothuis  
Nays: 0 – None  
Abstain: 1 - Dennis  
Absent: 2 – Dane and Williams  
Motion declared carried

#### Officers Reports

Clerk Mumford introduced Kelsey Swing with Gilbert, Metzger & Madigan. Mrs. Swing presented and went over the Fiscal Year 17 Audit.

Clerk Mumford requested approval of the December 2017 Bills Paid.

Alderman Dennis motioned approval of the December 2017 Bills Payable totaling \$725,167.56, seconded by Alderman Nichols. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 4 – Dennis, Nichols, Todd and Washburn  
Nays: 0 – None  
Absent: 2 – Dane and Williams  
Motion declared carried

Clerk Mumford requested approval to pay from the Wastewater Project Fund to HWC for their December Engineering Bill.

Alderman Nichols motioned approval to pay from the Wastewater Project Fund to HWC in the amount of \$2,770.40, seconded by Alderman Dennis. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 4 – Dennis, Nichols, Todd and Washburn  
Nays: 0 – None  
Absent: 2 – Dane and Williams  
Motion declared carried

Treasurer Lorton presented the Treasurer’s Collection Deposit Report for December 2017.

Alderman Todd motioned approval of December 2017 Treasurers Collection Deposit Report in the amount of \$644,780.98, seconded by Alderman Nichols. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 4 – Dennis, Nichols, Todd and Washburn  
Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 2 – Dane and Williams

Motion declared carried

Attorney Shoaff presented and explained Ordinance #433: An Ordinance which adopts a policy prohibiting sexual harassment.

Alderman Nichols motioned approval of Ordinance #433: An Ordinance which adopts a policy prohibiting sexual harassment, seconded by Alderman Dennis. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 4 – Dennis, Nichols, Todd and Washburn

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 2 – Dane and Williams

Motion declared carried

Attorney Shoaff then updated the Council on some matters she is working on. She will have 2 items for Council Action for the next Agenda. She will get with Clerk Mumford for those items.

Superintendent Biggs presented Amendment No. 3 to the Engineering Agreement for the Waterline Project. This is for already agreed upon extra observation engineering and we just need to update our agreement.

Alderman Nichols motioned approval of amendment No. 3 to the Engineering Agreement for the Waterline Project, seconded by Alderman Todd. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 4 – Dennis, Nichols, Todd and Washburn

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 2 – Dane and Williams

Motion declared carried

Superintendent Biggs said for now we can just table the Changer Order Number 1 for the Waterline Project, we may not need this changer order now.

Superintendent Biggs wanted to commend the utility workers, they have been out on water leaks the past 2 nights and wants to thank them for doing a good job.

Chief Jenkins thanked Economic Development Director Megan Clark for the grant work she did for the Police Department. They received 6 Starcom mobile radios. The E-Citation program is ready to go as well. Deputy Crouch will come over and install what is needed within the next few weeks.

Collector Hickox reported to the Council that they have been receiving some complaints about the trash and recycling. She wanted to remind the residence that what they pay for on their monthly bill is what can fit into the totes each week or every other week on recycling. If there is extra on the ground they won't pick it up. They put an insert in with the utility bill this month explaining what can and can't be recycled as well as the schedule for recycling.

Economic Development Director Megan Clark presented to the Council a list of items being donated to the City for use at the apartment for the Intern. She wanted to thank CIA for coming up with these items.

Alderman Dennis motioned approval to accept the items for the apartment from CIA, seconded by Alderman Nichols. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 4 – Dennis, Nichols, Todd and Washburn

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 2 – Dane and Williams

Motion declared carried

Economic Development Director Clark reported that she has received 6 applications for this next round of City Grants. She would like to have a Downtown Improvement and Economic Development Committee meeting to discuss these. She is tentatively scheduling one for Thursday January 11<sup>th</sup> at 5:15 p.m. She also informed the Council she has seen where CCRP has been awarded a home improvement grant for the surrounding Counties. She will be in touch with them to get more information.

#### New Business:

Finance Chairman Nichols reported on the meeting held on January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018. They discussed where the Waterline Project was budget wise and what needed to be done to finish the project.

#### Unfinished Business:

Attorney Shoaff presented Ordinance #431: An Ordinance which amends Chapter 5.08, entitled Liquor, of the Casey Municipal Code. This changes a few things. Previously the council voted the changed the number of Class B Licenses to 2 and Class E licenses to 3, so this just updates the code to that. The License committee also wanted to change the definition and requirements of Restaurant and Class E License. They want to change the seating capacity to just 75 people in the definition of a restaurant. They also want to require Class E License holders to present quarterly reports to the Liquor Commissioner sales data that show at least 75% of sales is food related. If they don't meet the 75% mark the license can be revoked. They also wanted to change Subsection G to remove that section, it was about a Winery and it already had a section in it that made it void, so they just wanted to remove that section.

Alderman Todd motioned approval of Ordinance #431: An Ordinance which amends Chapter 5.08, entitled Liquor, of the Casey Municipal Code, seconded by Alderman Nichols. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 4 – Dennis, Nichols, Todd and Washburn

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 2 – Dane and Williams

Motion declared carried

Attorney Shoaff then presented Ordinance #432: An Ordinance adopting and approving the City of Casey ADA Transition Plan.

Alderman Nichols motioned approval of Ordinance #432: An Ordinance adopting and approving the City of Casey ADA Transition Plan, seconded by Alderman Dennis. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 4 – Dennis, Nichols, Todd and Washburn

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 2 – Dane and Williams

Motion declared carried

**Alderman Reports:**

Alderman Nichols reported that he still has some concerned citizens asking about the speed limit on main street. Aldermen Dennis will get a Street and Alley Committee sometime soon.

**Mayor Reports:**

Mayor Groothuis reported that he gave out special event liquor licenses to businesses for New Years Eve. He would like to have a committee of the whole meeting again in early March to discuss ideas and what we have or have not accomplished this year so far. He also reported that Yost Management, a housing management company, approached the City about building a 56 unit duplex complex. It is in the early stages and when he receives more information he will pass it along.

There was no further Business of the City Council for the January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 Meeting.

**Adjournment:**

Alderman Dennis motioned to adjourn, seconded by Alderman Washburn. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 4 – Dennis, Nichols, Todd and Washburn

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 2 – Dane and Williams

Motion declared carried

Adjournment of the City Council was at 6:59 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by; Jeremy Mumford, City Clerk