

City of Casey



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Police Chief

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City Collector

Natasha Hickox

Aldermen

Bob Dane

Jesse Dennis

Michael Nichols

Pete Todd

Kelsey Washburn

Jerome Williams

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL MONDAY JANUARY 7TH, 2019 6:00 P.M

The Regular Meeting of the City Council was held Monday January 7th, 2019; beginning at 6:00 p.m. Mayor Nik Groothuis was present and called the Meeting to Order and led the Pledge of Allegiance:

Roll Call:

Present: Alderman Dane
Alderman Nichols
Alderman Todd

Absent: Alderman Dennis
Alderman Washburn
Alderman Williams

A quorum was declared.

Public Forum:

None

Community Affairs:

Nancy Smitley with the Clark County Enterprise Zone was present and presented Ordinance #453: Adds Territory to the Clark County Enterprise Zone and the Tenth Agreement to Amend the Clark County Enterprise Zone. After some discussion Mayor Groothuis asked for a motion.

Alderman Todd motioned approval of Ordinance #453: to Add Territory to the Clark County Enterprise Zone, seconded by Alderman Nichols. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 4 – Dane, Nichols, Todd, and Groothuis

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 3 – Dennis, Williams and Washburn

Motion declared carried

Alderman Dane motioned approval of the Tenth Agreement to Amend the Clark County Enterprise Zone Intergovernmental Agreement, seconded by Alderman Todd. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 4 – Dane, Nichols, Todd, and Groothuis

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 3 – Dennis, Williams and Washburn

Motion declared carried



Meeting Minutes:

Mayor Groothuis looked for a motion to approve the Minutes of the December 3rd, 2018 Council Meeting.

Alderman Nichols motioned approval of the Minutes of the December 3rd, 2018 Council Meeting, seconded by Alderman Dane. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 4 – Dane, Nichols, Todd, and Groothuis

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 3 – Dennis, Williams and Washburn

Motion declared carried

Officers Reports:

Clerk Mumford reminded the Council that this year if there is a holiday on our regular scheduled Council Meeting day it would then be moved to the next Tuesday.

Clerk Mumford looked for approval of the December 2018 Bills Paid in the amount of \$688,922.41, and also needed approval of bills paid from the SRO funds in the amount of \$3,916.

Alderman Nichols motioned approval of the December 2018 Bills Paid in the amount of \$688,922.41 and bills paid from SRO funds in the amount of \$3,916, seconded by Alderman Todd. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 4 – Dane, Nichols, Todd, and Groothuis

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 3 – Dennis, Williams and Washburn

Motion declared carried

Treasurer Lorton looked for approval of the December 2018 Treasurer's Collection Deposit Report.

Alderman Todd motioned approval of the December 2018 Treasurer's Collection Deposit Report in the amount of \$618,306.11, seconded by Alderman Dane. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 4 – Dane, Nichols, Todd, and Groothuis

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 3 – Dennis, Williams and Washburn

Motion declared carried

Attorney Shoaff reported on a few things she has been working on. The Goble building is still waiting on the County to agree that the back taxes are gone, since the way we were able to get that building. She is still waiting on quotes for the wall at 1 S Central. She is also still waiting to hear back from an Appraisal for the Landfill Property.

Superintendent Biggs reported that he was extremely pleased in the way Maulding Excavating has taken down the building at 4-6 South Central. He also thanked the adjacent property owners for the patience while this project has been going on and for use of their parking areas.

Chief Jenkins reported that Officer Woods first day at school was today. Officer Brewer has graduated from the Academy and is now doing his FTO program. Officer Sponsel has completed his FTO and is now working by himself. Car 3 is now finished and on the road. He also reported that Officer Glidwell has completed his 1 year probationary period and recommends to the Council that he be moved to full time status.

Alderman Nichols motioned approval of Officer Glidwell to full time status, seconded by Alderman Todd. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 4 – Dane, Nichols, Todd, and Groothuis

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 3 – Dennis, Williams and Washburn

Motion declared carried

Collector Hickox reported that there is now a new online payment system called JetPay that the City is using. It will now accept Visa cards as well.

Alderman Jesse Dennis arrived at the City Council Meeting at 6:21 p.m.

Mayor Groothuis updated the Council on what Economic Development Director Maulding has been working on.

EMA Director Brewer reported that the new siren is up and working.

New Business:

Finance Chairman Nichols reported on the meeting held on 12/10/18. He would like to get another meeting scheduled to further review the budget.

Salary and License Chairman Todd reported on the meeting held on 12/18/18. They discussed the request from Big Casey Liquors to be able to get a pour license so they can get gaming machines at their location as well. The Committee would like to just have them apply for an additional B license which would allow for the sale of beer and wine for consumption on premise only. They are going to wait and see if one location is done selling, so in that case the City would have an open B License.

Alderman Dane reported on the Downtown Improvement and Economic Development Meeting held on 12/19/18. They had 2 grants submitted for this quarter and they would like to award 1 to Reflections Restaurant in the amount of \$1,700.00.

Alderman Dane motioned approval to award Reflections Restaurant a City Grant in the amount of \$1,700.00, seconded by Alderman Todd. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Dane, Dennis, Nichols, Todd, and Groothuis

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 2 – Williams and Washburn

Motion declared carried

Unfinished Business:

Mayor Groothuis would like to talk about the Cities options on our recently acquired property. After some discussion the Council would like to see where we are on our Budget in the Property Abatement Line. Mayor Groothuis asked the Council to think about it and we can talk about it again at our next meeting.

Alderman Reports:

Alderman Todd reported that he has been working with the Collector's Office on some reports regarding old accounts.

Mayor Reports:

Thanked Maulding Excavating for the work they have done at 4-6 S Central. Would also like for the Finance Committee to review the Electric rates information he has.

There was no further Business of the City Council for the January 7th, 2019 Council Meeting.

Adjournment:

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

Ayes: 5 – Dane, Dennis, Nichols, Todd, and Groothuis

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 2 – Williams and Washburn

Adjournment of the City Council was at 6:56 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by; Jeremy Mumford, City Clerk