

City of Casey



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Mayor

Nik Groothuis

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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 MONDAY FEBRUARY 4TH, 2019 6:00 P.M

The Regular Meeting of the City Council was held Monday February 4th, 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 Todd
Alderman Washburn

Absent: Alderman Dennis
Alderman Nichols
Alderman Williams

A quorum was declared.

Public Forum:

None

Community Affairs:

None

Meeting Minutes:

Mayor Groothuis looked for a motion to approve the Minutes of the January 21st, 2019 Council Meeting.

Alderman Washburn motioned approval of the Minutes of the January 21st, 2019 Council Meeting, seconded by Alderman Todd. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 4 – Dane, Todd, Washburn and Groothuis

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 3 – Dennis, Nichols and Williams

Motion declared carried

Officers Reports:

Clerk Mumford reminded the Council that the next meeting will be on Tuesday February 19th because of the holiday on Monday.

Clerk Mumford looked for approval of the January 2019 Bills Paid in the amount of \$823,946.89.

Alderman Dane motioned approval of the January 2019 Bills Paid in the amount



of \$823,946.89, seconded by Alderman Washburn. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 4 – Dane, Todd, Washburn and Groothuis

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 3 – Dennis, Nichols and Williams

Motion declared carried

Treasurer Lorton looked for approval of the January 2019 Treasurer’s Collection Deposit Report in the amount of \$695,639.72.

Alderman Washburn motioned approval of the January 2019 Treasurer’s Collection Deposit Report in the amount of \$695,639.72, seconded by Alderman Todd. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 4 – Dane, Todd, Washburn and Groothuis

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 3 – Dennis, Nichols and Williams

Motion declared carried

Attorney Shoaff presented Ordinance #454: An Ordinance Approving the Annexation of Certain Property into the Municipal Limits of the City of Casey, the Casey Industries Property:

Pin #03-11-18-00-200-003.

Alderman Todd motioned approval of Ordinance #454, seconded by Alderman Dane. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 4 – Dane, Todd, Washburn and Groothuis

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 3 – Dennis, Nichols and Williams

Motion declared carried

Attorney Shoaff requested approval to go into Executive Session for the discussion of Personnel and for Union Negotiations.

Alderman Dane motioned approval to go into Executive Session, seconded by Alderman Washburn. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 4 – Dane, Todd, Washburn and Groothuis

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 3 – Dennis, Nichols and Williams

Motion declared carried

Executive Session began at 6:06 p.m.

Alderman Todd motioned approval to resume the regular meeting, seconded by Alderman Dane.

Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 4 – Dane, Todd, Washburn and Groothuis

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 3 – Dennis, Nichols and Williams

Motion declared carried

Regular meeting resumed at 6:32 p.m.

Superintendent Biggs reported that our Electrical Department helped out the City of Marshall when they had electric lines down during the cold weather, and thanked them for their hard work. He also explained that after we switched over to the new water supply we were at first over the EPA limits of copper but since they have made some changes we have been under the limit now.

Attorney Shoaff reported that the 2 appraisers she talked to can't appraise the landfill so she recommends we just bid that property out to be sold. She is still waiting on the County to release the back taxes on the properties we have received in October/November of last year. Since they haven't released the back taxes we may have lost out on selling the Goble building because the shape of the building is now worse than it was in November. She also talked about the ability to go after utility customers in small claims if they leave outstanding bills.

Economic Development Director Maulding reported on what she has been working on for the past few weeks.

New Business:

Public Utility Chairman Dane reported on the meeting held on 1/29/2019 where they discussed the process of collecting for old utility bills as well as the Budget Billing process.

Park Chairman Dane reported on the meeting held on 1/29/2019 where they discussed different events at the park. They also talked about trout fishing and a need to regulate it.

Alderman Todd reported on the Finance Committee meeting held on 1/29/2019 where they reviewed the water and sewer funds. They also reviewed the current budget numbers. They also talked about bidding out the mowing for the Park as our current contract was up in October. They want to be able to reject any bids if they think they can do it cheaper in house.

Alderman Todd motioned approval to bid out the Park Mowing Contract, seconded by Alderman Dane. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 4 – Dane, Todd, Washburn and Groothuis

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 3 – Dennis, Nichols and Williams

Motion declared carried

Unfinished Business:

Mayor Groothuis brought up the properties the City has recently received. The Council wants to wait until the County gets the back tax issue figured out before selling or bidding out the remaining property.

Alderman Reports:

Alderman Dane talked about some abatement issues he would like to see enforced.

Mayor Reports:

Alderman Groothuis reported that CIA will be doing movies in the park again this summer, and John Crouch will be doing music in the park again this summer. He also talked about the Animal Control Officer and how we have gone over his budget for this year. He thinks the Council needs to look at what exactly we will use him for.

There was no further Business of the City Council for the February 4th, 2019 Council Meeting.

Adjournment:

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

Ayes: 4 – Dane, Todd, Washburn and Groothuis

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 3 – Dennis, Nichols and Williams

Motion declared carried

Adjournment of the City Council was at 7:16 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by; Jeremy Mumford, City Clerk