

# City of Casey



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## Mayor

Nik Groothuis

## City Clerk

Jeremy Mumford

## City Treasurer

Gail Lorton

## Collector

Natasha Hickox

## Utility Superintendent

Shelby Biggs

## EMA Director

DJ Brewer

## Economic Development

### Director

DJ Brewer

## Chief of Police

Mark Jenkins

## City Attorney

Cara Shoaff

## Aldermen

Marcy Mumford

Carlene Richardson

Butch Ruffner

Pete Todd

Kelsey Washburn

Jerome Williams

## REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL MONDAY JUNE 3<sup>RD</sup>, 2019 6:00 P.M

The Regular Meeting of the City Council was held Monday June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 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 Mumford  
Alderman Richardson  
Alderman Ruffner  
Alderman Todd  
Alderman Washburn

Absent: Alderman Williams

A quorum was declared.

### Public Forum:

Jerry Self was present and approached the Council about buying the City lot located next to the old Ugh-Oh Auto Body shop. He has recently bought that shop with plans to put a mechanic shop there, and is interested in buying the concrete lot next to that shop. He would use that lot for parking and then maybe in the future putting another building on that lot. The City has done an appraisal and that lot was appraised at \$8,500.00. Jerry offered the City \$6,800.00 for that lot: PIN #: 03-11-19-16-402-045.

Alderman Washburn motioned approval to sell the City Lot with the PIN #03-11-19-16-402-045, to Jerry Self for the amount of \$6,800, seconded by Alderman Todd. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Mumford, Richardson, Ruffner, Todd, and Washburn

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 1 – Williams

Motion declared carried

Mayor Groothuis moved up on the Agenda Jackie Galletano with CCRP. Jackie went over what happened at the Public Hearing held earlier in the evening. She also presented Resolution #060319C: A Resolution of support between the City and Coles County Regional Planning in regard to the Housing Grant.

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Big Heart

Alderman Mumford motioned approval of Resolution #060319C, seconded by Alderman Ruffner. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Mumford, Richardson, Ruffner, Todd, and Washburn

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 1 – Williams

Motion declared carried

Community Affairs:

None

Meeting Minutes:

Mayor Groothuis looked for approval of the minutes of the May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019 City Council Meeting.

Alderman Washburn motioned approval of the minutes of the May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019 City Council Meeting, seconded by Alderman Richardson. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Mumford, Richardson, Ruffner, Todd, and Washburn

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 1 – Williams

Motion declared carried

Officers Reports:

Clerk Mumford looked for approval of the May 2019 Bills Paid in the amount of \$649,189.47.

Alderman Todd motioned approval of the May 2019 Bills Paid in the amount of \$649,189.47, seconded by Alderman Washburn. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Mumford, Richardson, Ruffner, Todd, and Washburn

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 1 – Williams

Motion declared carried

Clerk Mumford presented Resolution #060319A: CIA 5k Run resolution for approval.

Alderman Washburn motioned approval of Resolution #060319A, seconded by Alderman Mumford. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Mumford, Richardson, Ruffner, Todd, and Washburn

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 1 – Williams

Motion declared carried

Clerk Mumford requested Executive Session for discussion on Collective Negotiating matters, Property discussion and Personnel.

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

Ayes: 5 – Mumford, Richardson, Ruffner, Todd, and Washburn

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 1 – Williams  
Motion declared carried

Executive Session started at 6:11 p.m.

Alderman Jerome Williams came into the meeting at 6:18 p.m.

Alderman Washburn motioned approval to resume the regular meeting, seconded by Alderman Ruffner. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Mumford, Richardson, Ruffner, Todd, Washburn, and Williams

Nays: 0 – None

Motion declared carried

Regular meeting resumed at 7:10 p.m.

Treasurer Lorton presented the May 2019 Treasurer's Collection Deposit Report in the amount of \$648,013.22 for approval.

Alderman Washburn motioned approval of the May 2019 Treasurer's Collection Deposit Report in the amount of \$648,013.22, seconded by Alderman Mumford. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Mumford, Richardson, Ruffner, Todd, Washburn, and Williams

Nays: 0 – None

Motion declared carried

Superintendent Biggs presented Resolution #060319B: 2019 MFT for \$67,000.00 for approval. He also presented a map of the roads that will be done this year. He said it is about half of what should be done, but due to the low amount of MFT money we will make due.

Alderman Washburn motioned approval of Resolution #060319B, seconded by Alderman Richardson. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Mumford, Richardson, Ruffner, Todd, Washburn, and Williams

Nays: 0 – None

Motion declared carried

Superintendent Biggs brought up the need to hire a new employee to take place of an employee who will be retiring in October. He would like to start advertising for a new employee.

Alderman Mumford motioned approval to start advertising for a new employee in the Utility Department, seconded by Alderman Todd. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Mumford, Richardson, Ruffner, Todd, Washburn, and Williams

Nays: 0 – None

Motion declared carried

Superintendent Biggs reported that a pre-construction meeting for the work on IL Route 49 is set for June 12<sup>th</sup> and he will be attending it. The summer help has started this week. City work at the sunken gardens should be done this week as well.

Chief Jenkins brought up that he would like to hire Nate Evans as a new patrol officer. Nate will need to go through the Academy, but we need to get him hired first before we set up the training. Alderman Todd motioned approval to hire Nate Evans as a Patrol Officer, seconded by Alderman Mumford. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Mumford, Richardson, Ruffner, Todd, Washburn, and Williams

Nays: 0 – None

Motion declared carried

Chief Jenkins reported that a number of abates have been sent out as well as tickets for the previous abates sent.

Economic Development Director Maulding reported that the City was awarded a grant in the amount of \$20,000 to help with abandoned properties. She will also be having a meeting coming up with IHDA on June 13<sup>th</sup>. On June 22<sup>nd</sup> the city will be having a Volkswagen car show again.

#### New Business:

Alderman Washburn reported on the City Hall and Public Safety meeting held on 5/9/19.

Alderman Williams reported on the Finance Meeting held on 5/28/19. They have set more meetings for June 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, and 18<sup>th</sup>. They will schedule more if needed.

#### Unfinished Business:

None

#### Alderman Reports:

Alderman Mumford requested a Downtown Improvement and Economic Development committee meeting for June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 5:15 to talk about Feasibility Study.

Alderman Richardson would like to call a Park and Airports Committee Meeting for June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 5:15 to meet with members of CIA to talk about playground equipment.

Alderman Ruffner would like to have a Public Utility Committee meeting once Shelby gets the water rate study back. The Lions club has requested a donation to help with the cost of replacing picnic tables at the Park. They would like \$1330 to help with this cost. The Finance Committee will see if they can put this in the Park Budget this year. Alderman Ruffner also asked about locking the bathrooms at the park at night and then unlocking them in the mornings. He asked if the PD could lock them at night and the Utility Workers would unlock them in the mornings.

#### Mayor Reports:

Mayor Groothuis reported that the Chamber's Visitor's guide is now out and being distributed. He also asked the Alderman to report any sidewalk issues to Shelby.

There was no further Business of the City Council for the June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019 Council Meeting.

Adjournment:

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

Ayes: 6 – Mumford, Richardson, Ruffner, Todd, Washburn, and Williams

Nays: 0 – None

Motion declared carried

Adjournment of the City Council was at 7:48 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by; Jeremy Mumford, City Clerk