

City of Casey



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Aldermen

Bob Dane

Jesse Dennis

Michael Nichols

Pete Todd

Kelsey Washburn

Jerome Williams

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL MONDAY SEPTEMBER 11TH, 2017 6:00 P.M

The Regular Meeting of the City Council was held Monday September 11th, 2017; 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 Dane
Alderman Dennis
Alderman Nichols
Alderman Todd
Alderman Washburn
Alderman Williams

Absent: None

A quorum was declared.

Public Forum: None

Community Affairs:

Candy Canes On Main: Marsha Shonk and Jeanette Huisinga were present and explained to the City Council the concept of Candy Canes on Main. They started it as a shop local businesses during the Holiday Season. They will be having it on Friday December 1st and Saturday December 2nd. They will be having a night parade on Friday with Santa at the end. They will then have Santa read a story from the World's Largest Mailbox. They are asking if the City can sponsor the parade so they don't have to provide liability insurance for it. They are also looking for monetary donations as well. They are spending around \$500 for new signs and also getting a train for rides at a cost of \$1500. Alderman Nichols motioned approval for a donation of up to \$3,000 to help sponsor Candy Canes On Main, as well as putting the information on the back of the utility bill, seconded by Alderman Dane. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Dane, Dennis, Nichols, Todd, Washburn and Williams

Nays: 0 – None

Motion declared carried

Mayor Groothuis also mentioned that we would look into being able to sponsor the Parade by covering the Liability Insurance.



Casey Historical Society: Patty Richards was present and explained to the Council the Fright Fest they sponsor. They have it on October 14th downtown on W Main. She is looking for permission to close W Main from Central to W 2nd Street, from 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. She also talked to the Council about getting a Historical Marker put downtown sometime. The Council advised her to get more information about the Marker and bring that back to the Council.

Alderman Todd motioned approval to close W Main Street on October 14th from 4:00 – 9:00 p.m., from Central to W 2nd Street, seconded by Alderman Dennis. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Dane, Dennis, Nichols, Todd, Washburn and Williams

Nays: 0 – None

Motion declared carried

Meeting Minutes:

Clerk Mumford presented Council Meeting Minutes from the August 21st, 2017 Council Meeting for approval.

Alderman Williams motioned approval of the August 21st, 2017 Council Meeting Minutes, seconded by Alderman Todd. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Dane, Dennis, Todd, Washburn and Williams

Nays: 0 – None

Abstain: 1 – Nichols

Motion declared carried

Officers Reports

Clerk Mumford requested approval of the August 2017 Bills Paid.

Alderman Nichols motioned approval of the August 2017 bills paid totaling \$981,680.03, seconded by Alderman Dane. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Dane, Dennis, Nichols, Todd, Washburn and Williams

Nays: 0 – None

Motion declared carried

Lon Gardner with HWC was present and gave an update on the Wastewater Project. He presented Pay App #19 from Curry Construction and looked for approval. Clerk Mumford also presented HWC's monthly engineering bill for approval.

Alderman Dennis motioned approval to pay from the Wastewater project fund to Curry Construction for Pay App #19 in the amount of \$125,500 and to pay HWC in the amount of \$13,668.00, seconded by Alderman Dane. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Dane, Dennis, Nichols, Todd, Washburn and Williams

Nays: 0 – None

Motion declared carried

Mr. Gardner then presented Change Order #4 for the Wastewater project. This extends the final completion date to September 30th, 2017. Also has a price increase of \$26,695.28 for various changes done to the project.

Alderman Nichols motioned approval of Change Order #4 for the Wastewater Project, seconded by Alderman Williams. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Dane, Dennis, Nichols, Todd, Washburn and Williams

Nays: 0 – None

Motion declared carried

Clerk Mumford then presented the monthly engineering bill from Curry & Associates for the Waterline Project.

Alderman Williams motioned approval to pay from the Waterline Project to Curry & Associates in the amount of \$17,878.73, seconded by Alderman Dennis. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Dane, Dennis, Nichols, Todd, Washburn and Williams

Nays: 0 – None

Motion declared carried

Superintendent Biggs gave an update on the Waterline Project. The drives they have been waiting on are in and installed. They are looking at having a startup this Thursday. The plan for now is to start pumping water to Casey on September 25th. We may have to go under a boil order for up to 3 days, if we need to be under a boil order Superintendent Biggs will send out notices to business and on Facebook.

Officer Adam Henderson was present and reported to the Council that the new vehicle should be here by the end of the month. Spotlights should be installed on both trucks by the end of next week, and Officer Henderson will get another handheld radar ordered this week. He also presented the plan for new Tasers to the Council.

Mayor Groothuis presented Resolution #091117A: A resolution for the Casey-Westfield Homecoming Parade.

Alderman Dennis motioned approval of Resolution #091117A, seconded by Alderman Washburn. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Dane, Dennis, Nichols, Todd, Washburn and Williams

Nays: 0 – None

Motion declared carried

Mayor Groothuis then looked for a motion to go into Executive Session for discussion of Personnel.

Alderman Dennis motioned approval to go into Executive Session for discussion of Personnel, seconded by Alderman Todd. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Dane, Dennis, Nichols, Todd, Washburn and Williams

Nays: 0 – None

Motion declared carried

Executive Session began at 6:51 p.m.

Alderman Todd motioned approval to resume the Regular Meeting, seconded by Alderman Dane. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Dane, Dennis, Nichols, Todd, Washburn and Williams

Nays: 0 – None

Motion declared carried

Regular Council meeting resumed at 7:18 p.m.

Alderman Williams motioned approval to appoint Officer Adam Henderson as Administrative Officer in Charge while Chief Jenkins is out from work, and to set his hourly pay rate at \$29.00 while assuming these duties, seconded by Alderman Nichols. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Dane, Dennis, Nichols, Todd, Washburn and Williams

Nays: 0 – None

Motion declared carried

Collector Hickox reported that she will be going to Training this week and she looks forward to it.

Economic Development Director McMillen reported to the Council on what she has been working on. Big Things In a Small Town and the City have partnered to have a booth at the Mid America Corvette fun fest this week, to promote Casey. She has received lots of good feedback on the Cities Grant Program. She has been working with local business and groups on possible Grants as well.

New Business:

None

Unfinished Business:

None

Alderman Reports:

Alderman Nichols thanked Shelby and the utility workers for taking care of some concerns Citizens brought to him. He also needed to change the Finance Committee meeting to Monday September 25th, 2017 at 5:15 for discussion on the 1st quarter Budget and Appropriations. Alderman Dane thanked the Popcorn Festival Committee for all the hard work they do.

Mayor Reports:

Mayor Groothuis also thanked the Popcorn Festival Committee for a good festival this year. Thanked all the groups that helped plan and run it this year. He reported that the Downtown was very busy on that Saturday and it was a good thing to see. He also presented to the Council a proposal for a POW/MIA memorial brought to him by a group called Rolling Thunder. They will

provide all the materials for the memorial, just looking for a place to put it. Mayor Groothuis recommended out front of City Hall. He will get in touch with the group and have them come to a Council Meeting to formally propose it to the Council. They would like to have a dedication on Veterans Day this fall.

There was no further Business of the City Council for the September 11th, 2017 Meeting.

Adjournment:

Alderman Williams motioned to adjourn, seconded by Alderman Nichols. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Dane, Dennis, Nichols, Todd, Washburn and Williams

Nays: 0 – None

Motion declared carried

Adjournment of the City Council was at 7:33 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by; Jeremy Mumford, City Clerk