

REGULAR MEETING OF
THE CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY, JANUARY 3, 2022
6:00 P.M.

The Regular Meeting of the City Council was held Monday January 3rd, 2022; beginning at 6:13 p.m. Mayor Mike Nichols was present, called the Meeting to Order and Alderman Williams led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

Present: Alderman Jenkins
Alderman Mumford
Alderman Richardson
Alderman Ruffner
Alderman Williams
Alderman Wilson

A quorum was declared.

Public Forum: N/A

Community Affairs:

Bruce Brown with the Casey Lion's Club spoke to the Council about the 1941 stuffed lion that they have. The Lion's Club is requesting that we let them display the Lion here at City Hall so citizens as well as tourist can enjoy this piece of Casey history. This will be placed on the next agenda.

Patty Richards addressed the Council for the National Road. They are looking for approval to place signs on each side of Main Street. Location has not been decided. This will be placed on the next agenda.

Meeting Minutes:

Mayor Nichols looked for approval of the minutes of the December 6, 2021 City Council Meeting.

Alderman Williams motioned approval of the minutes of the December 6th, 2021 City Council Meeting, seconded by Alderman Mumford. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Jenkins, Mumford, Richardson, Ruffner, Williams and Wilson

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 0 – None

Motion declared carried.

Officers Reports:

Treasurer Lorton presented the December 2021 Bills payable in the amount of \$779,560.57 for approval.

Alderman Williams motioned approval of the December bills payable, seconded by Alderman Richardson. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Jenkins, Mumford, Richardson, Ruffner, Williams and Wilson

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 0 – None

Motion declared carried

Treasurer Lorton presented the December Treasurer's Collection Deposit Report totaling \$497,141.63.

Alderman Jenkins motioned approval of the Collection Report, seconded by Alderman Mumford. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Jenkins, Mumford, Richardson, Ruffner, Williams and Wilson

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 0 – None

Motion declared carried

Attorney Willenborg informed the Council of the changes made to Ordinance # 503 amending the Sexual Harassment Policy. The changes were updates to include general assembly changes to comply.

Alderman Wilson motioned to approve Ordinance # 503 with the changes, seconded by Alderman Richardson. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Jenkins, Mumford, Richardson, Ruffner, Williams and Wilson

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 0 – None

Motion declared carried.

Attorney Willenborg presented the Council with Ordinance # 504 authorizing the purchase of real estate – 404 SE 8th St.

Alderman Mumford motioned approval of Ordinance # 504 for the purchase of 404 SE 8th St., Casey for \$40,000.00, seconded by Alderman Wilson. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Jenkins, Mumford, Richardson, Ruffner, Williams and Wilson

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 0 – None

Motion declared carried.

Superintendent Biggs referred to Attorney Willenborg to present Resolution # 010322B for approval. This is the Ameren Settlement Agreement.

Alderman Ruffner motioned approval of Resolution # 010322B, seconded by Alderman Jenkins. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Jenkins, Mumford, Richardson, Ruffner, Williams and Wilson

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 0 – None

Motion declared carried.

Economic Development Director Maulding presented Resolution # 010322A for approval. This is the technical assistance agreement with Coles County Regional Planning & Development Commission.

Alderman Richardson motioned approval of Resolution # 010322A, seconded by Alderman Mumford. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Jenkins, Mumford, Richardson, Ruffner, Williams and Wilson

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 0 – None

Motion declared carried.

Chief Henderson presented the Council with his departments November & December 2021 activity reports.

New Business

Economic Development Chairman Mumford motioned approval of the Business Improvement Grant to Casey Coffee Co. for \$2,500.00 for coolers & menu board, seconded by Alderman Richardson. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Jenkins, Mumford, Richardson, Ruffner, Williams and Wilson

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 0 – None

Motion declared carried.

Alderman Mumford motioned to approve the Business Improvement Grant to Atlas Dwellings for \$2,500.00 for remodeling 18 W. Main St. for additional rental & retail space, seconded by Alderman Williams. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Jenkins, Mumford, Richardson, Ruffner, Williams and Wilson

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 0 – None

Motion declared carried.

Alderman Mumford motioned approval of the Business Incentive Application by The Butcher Shop on the completion of the building renovations, seconded by Alderman Wilson. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Jenkins, Mumford, Richardson, Ruffner, Williams and Wilson

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 0 – None

Motion declared carried.

Alderman Mumford also spoke of applications from Ashley Enterprises Westside Inc. and Tina's Barbershop. They had both been contacted with the additional information they need to submit.

Alderman Williams chairman of the Finance committee motioned approval of the purchase agreement for the new drive-up system from QSI for \$22,675.00, seconded by Alderman Jenkins. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Jenkins, Mumford, Richardson, Ruffner, Williams and Wilson

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 0 – None

Motion declared carried.

Alderman Williams motioned approval of Resolution # 010322C authorizing the sale of 306 E Alabama Ave to Seamless Fiber for \$3,000.00, seconded by Alderman Mumford. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Jenkins, Mumford, Richardson, Ruffner, Williams and Wilson

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 0 – None

Motion declared carried.

Mayor Nichols opened discussion about the Warrior Place. Mr. Yost is needing a letter from the city. After discussion Bailey Maulding will contact Mr. Yost and request him come to the next meeting to answer questions the Council has.

Alderman Reports:

Alderman Mumford thanked all that were involved with the Christmas in the Park.

Alderman Richardson called for a Park committee meeting for January 10th, 2022 at 4:45 to discuss resurfacing the basketball/skateboard court.

Alderman Jenkins reported that he was sorry he had missed the meet & greet with the new Police officers.

Alderman Ruffner thanked Shelby for taking care of a limb for a resident so quickly.

Adjournment

Alderman Mumford motioned to adjourn, seconded by Alderman Jenkins. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 6 – Jenkins, Mumford, Richardson, Ruffner, Williams and Wilson

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 0 – None

Motion declared carried

Adjournment of the City Council was at 7:34 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by; Gail Lorton, City Treasurer