# City of Casey



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City Attorney

Jeremiah Hanley Steve Jenkins Marcy Mumford Carlene Richardson Jerome Williams Lori Wilson



# REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL MONDAY AUGUST 19<sup>TH</sup>, 2024 6:00 P.M.

The Regular Meeting of the City Council was held Monday August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024; beginning at 6:00 p.m. Mayor Mike Nichols was present and called the meeting to order, Marcy Mumford led the pledge of allegiance.

Roll Call:

Present: Alderman Hanley

Alderman Jenkins Alderman Mumford Alderman Richardson Alderman Wilson

Absent: Alderman Williams

A quorum was declared.

#### Public Forum:

Patty Richards with the Historical Society was present and reported on a new Historical Marker that was put together for Fairview Park. She would like to place it at the Park somewhere, and is also looking for a donation for the placement of it to the Historical Society. Mayor Nichols said he would get with Jerome about the donation, and Alderman Richardson suggested a Park committee meeting to figure out a place to put this memorial.

## Community Affairs:

Mayor Nichols looked for approval of the following Resolutions:

- Resolution #081924B: CIA 5k
- Resolution #081924C: Casey Popcorn Festival Parade
- Resolution #081924D: Casey-Westfield Homecoming Parade

Alderman Jenkins motioned approval of Resolution #081924B, seconded by Alderman Hanley. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Hanley, Jenkins, Mumford, Richardson, and Wilson

Nays: 0 – None Absent: 1 – Williams Motion declared carried

Alderman Richardson motioned approval of Resolution #081924C, seconded by Alderman Mumford. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Hanley, Jenkins, Mumford, Richardson, and Wilson

Nays: 0 - NoneAbsent: 1 - WilliamsMotion declared carried

Alderman Wilson motioned approval of Resolution #081924D, seconded by Alderman Richardson. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Hanley, Jenkins, Mumford, Richardson, and Wilson

Nays: 0 – None Absent: 1 – Williams Motion declared carried

# Meeting Minutes:

Mayor Nichols looked for approval of the minutes of the August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024 City Council Meeting. Alderman Mumford motioned approval of the minutes of the August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024 City Council Meeting, seconded by Alderman Wilson. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 4 – Hanley, Mumford, Richardson, and Wilson

Nays: 0 – None
Absent: 1 – Williams
Abstain: 1 – Jenkins
Motion declared carried

# Officers Reports:

Clerk Mumford presented August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Bills Payable in the amount of \$626,110.17 for approval.

Alderman Jenkins motioned approval of August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Bills Payable, seconded by Alderman Hanley. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Hanley, Jenkins, Mumford, Richardson, and Wilson

Nays: 0 – None Absent: 1 – Williams Motion declared carried

Clerk Mumford gave an updated on the upcoming Casey Popcorn Festival over labor day weekend. He then reported about the upcoming election in April of 2025 and when the dates for filing petitions for candidacy is.

Attorney Willenborg presented Ordinance #570: An Ordinance providing for the regulation of and application for small wireless facilities for the City of Casey for approval. After some discussion the following motion was made:

Alderman Hanley motioned approval of Ordinance #570, seconded by Alderman Mumford. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Hanley, Jenkins, Mumford, Richardson, and Wilson

Nays: 0 – None Absent: 1 – Williams Motion declared carried Attorney Willenborg then reported on the property of 803 SW 4<sup>th</sup>. They were supposed to close on this property today, but the buyer asked if they can change the agreement. The buyer was present and explained that currently they think they will be able to keep to the original agreement. Attorney Willenborg just needed a consensus that we can push the closing date back a little as we were supposed to close by August 20<sup>th</sup>. The Council agreed and if the buy does need to change the original agreement Attorney Willenborg will come back to the Council.

Superintendent Biggs presented Resolution #081924A: MFT letting. He recommended the council approve this resolution. Lawrence Gravel was the only bidder for this years MFT. Alderman Richardson motioned approval of Resolution #081924A, seconded by Alderman Jenkins. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Hanley, Jenkins, Mumford, Richardson, and Wilson

Nays: 0 – None Absent: 1 – Williams Motion declared carried

Superintendent Biggs then reported on the bid opening for the Fairview Park Drainage project. We had 2 bidders that follow:

B&T Drainage in the amount of \$92,053

Blankenship Construction Company in the amount of \$154,990

He recommended the council accept the low bid of B&T Drainage.

Alderman Richardson motioned approval to accept the Bid of \$92,053 from B&T Drainage for the Fairview Park Drainage Project, seconded by Alderman Hanley. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Hanley, Jenkins, Mumford, Richardson, and Wilson

Nays: 0 – None Absent: 1 – Williams Motion declared carried

Superintendent Biggs reported that another section of NW 8<sup>th</sup> Street was dug out and replaced. That will be oil and chipped this year as well. Wren Road water main project is about complete.

Chief Henderson looked for approval to hire Jakob Reed as a Casey Police Officer. Alderman Hanley motioned approval of the hiring of Jakob Reed, seconded by Alderman Jenkins. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Hanley, Jenkins, Mumford, Richardson, and Wilson

Nays: 0 – None Absent: 1 – Williams Motion declared carried

Economic Development Director Daughhetee presented a invoice for GEM Construction for the Housing project for approval.

Alderman Jenkins motioned approval of payment to GEM Construction in the amount of \$33,358, seconded by Alderman Mumford. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Hanley, Jenkins, Mumford, Richardson, and Wilson

Nays: 0 - None

Absent: 1 – Williams Motion declared carried

Economic Development Director Daughhetee reported on the Back to School Bash held with the Monroe PTO and looks forward to working with them on next year. He has 2 more movies scheduled for this fall, September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024 and October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2024. He is currently still working on the Park Walking Path grant. The County would like to start working on the County wide Bike Path again soon. He and Alderman Mumford will be attending IML and invited others to attend as well.

EMA Director Craig reported that the 2 new vehicles are marked now.

#### **New Business:**

Alderman Hanley went over the Public Safety meeting they held on 8/16/2024 where they talked about the Golf Cart/UTV ordinance. We have been having complaints about people continuing to drive on Route 49. They have decided they will start enforcing that ordinance and giving out tickets for violations. They also talked about the possibility of having temporary sticker for people staying at the campground. Alderman Hanley will get with the Chief to discuss this further.

#### **Unfinished Business:**

Alderman Jenkins reported on the Ordinance committee meeting held on 7/29/2024. They have had a business owner approach the city about allowing a liquor establishment to be within 100 feet of a church. The State Law does allow the liquor commissioner to grant that exemption on a case-by-case basis, but our local ordinances don't allow that so we would need to change our local ordinances if we want that exemption. Alderman Jenkins reported that the church that would be within the 100 feet has meet and express their displeasure with allowing this exemption. The Council will table this for now.

## Alderman Reports:

Alderman Wilson reported that she has gotten lots of positive feedback on the houses we are tearing down.

#### Mayor Report:

Gave a property update and reported on the wood carving. Talk about the park pond and stocking it. DNR will continue to assist the City in stocking the pond.

There was no further Business of the City Council for the August 19th, 2024 Council Meeting.

### Adjournment:

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

Ayes: 5 – Hanley, Jenkins, Mumford, Richardson, and Wilson

Nays: 0 - NoneAbsent: 1 - Williams Motion declared carried

Adjournment of the City Council was at 7:24 p.m. Respectfully Submitted by; Jeremy Mumford, City Clerk