

CITY OF CASEVILLE COUNCIL MEETING

November 11, 2019

CALL TO ORDER:

The November 11, 2019 Meeting of the Caseville City Council was called to Order by Mayor Patricia Des Jardins at 5:30 p.m. The meeting was held in the Caseville City Hall, 6767 Main, in Caseville Michigan. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

INSTALLATION OF NEW MEMBERS / ROLL CALL / SET AGENDA:

The oath of office was administered to newly elected officials Mayor Patricia Des Jardins and Council Members Clint Braun, Darin Sprague and John Tait by Jamie Learman.

Roll Call: Clint Braun, Kenneth Rathje, Darin Sprague, John Tait, Todd Talaski, Jerald Ignash and Patricia Des Jardins.

Others present: Jamie Learman, Office Admin/Clerk and Troy Hartz, DPW Supt.

MOTION Carried, by Sprague second by Braun to appoint Kenneth Rathje as mayor pro-tem. **6-0 Approved.**

MOTION Carried, by Rathje second by Sprague to approve the Council Committee List for 2019/2020. **6-0 Approved.**

SET AGENDA:

MOTION Carried, by Sprague second by Tait to set the agenda as presented. **6-0 Approved.**

MINUTES APPROVAL:

MOTION Carried, by Talaski second by Tait to approve the minutes of the October 14, 2019 Council Meeting as presented. **6-0 Approved.**

INVOICES, BUDGET AMENDMENTS & TRANSFERS:

RESOLUTION #2019-66, INVOICES, ROLL CALL, by Talaski second by Rathje to approve invoices in the amount as presented: Paid through 11/7/2019 \$293,167.20, Pending Approval \$17,725.79, Total \$310,892.99. **Roll Call Vote 6-0 Approved.**

PRESENTATIONS:

None

REPORTS:

Written and verbal reports were received from the Zoning Administrator, Z.B.O.A., Planning Commission, Oakwoods, Harbor Commission, Water Board, Fire Authority and Election Commission.

MOTION Carried, by Sprague second by Braun to file the Reports as presented. **6-0 Approved.**

CORRESPONDENCE:

Chamber of Commerce request to use City Park for Market on Main.

Chamber of Commerce request for Shanty Day Activities.

Susan Craig letter against campers at Pointe Park.

Mike Muscat letter against campers at Pointe Park.

A letter received Monday the 11th from Eileen Kiefer was also read into the minutes. She was against campers at Pointe Park.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mike Smith stated he would like to see the Market on Main go longer.

Louis Johnson commented about the township lowering their water rate. He also asked about the status of the Pointe Park restrooms. Clint Braun told him construction will continue and they are going to tarp it to complete the stone work.

Clyde Campbell said he is against campers at the park and the City should look at other avenues for income. He reminded everyone of Veterans Day.

John Tait said for future projects we should be using engineers like Wolverine Engineering.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

MOTION Carried, by Rathje second by Braun to appoint Jerald Ignash to the Planning Commission as the Ex-Officio. Term ending November 2021. **5-0 Approved (Ignash Abstained).**

MOTION Carried, by Talaski second by Sprague to approve the Chamber of Commerce request to use the Main Street Park for their Market on Main vending from Memorial Day weekend 2020 through Labor Day weekend 2020, Saturdays from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., excluding Cheeseburger weekends, or longer if they choose. **6-0 Approved.**

MOTION Carried, by Talaski second by Sprague to approve the Shanty Days requests for February 15, 2020, including, but not limited to an entertainment tent at Pointe Park and approve the Chief to sign the liquor license request. Also approve broomball at Pointe Park, Vintage Snowmobile show at Memorial Park and a potential fireworks show on February 15th. All these requests are approved, providing the proper permits and insurance are obtained. **6-0 Approved.**

RESOLUTION #2019-67, ROLL CALL, by Rathje second by Braun to approve the agreement with Steelworkers Health and Welfare Fund, offering two high deductible healthcare plans to all employees for January 1, 2020 thru December 31, 2020. Option # 1 Medical/Rx: QHDHP 80/60 \$1,400/\$2,800. Option # 2, with an additional \$400 H.S.A. from the City per employee, Medical/Rx: QHDHP 100/80 - \$2,600/\$5,200. It is agreed that if the contract goes down by 5% or more next year the parties will come together to renegotiate. Dental and Vision plans will remain the same for both plans. **Roll Call Vote 6-0 Approved.**

RESOLUTION #2019-68, ROLL CALL, by Rathje second by Ignash to opt out of the State of Michigan 20% co-pay requirement for health insurance by offering BCBS HDHP policy administered by Highmark through the United Steelworkers Health & Welfare Fund for full time city employees as stated in the collective bargaining agreements and supervisor employment agreements. The employee contribution will be \$33.00 per week beginning January, 2020. **Roll Call Vote 6-0 Approved.**

RESOLUTION #2019-69, ROLL CALL, by Talaski second by Sprague to adopt the Check Signing Policy and Authorized Signature List. (attached) **Roll Call Vote 6-0 Approved.**

RESOLUTION #2019-70, ROLL CALL, by Rathje second by Braun to adopt the 2019 Federal Poverty Guidelines for the Application for Poverty Exemption from the current year taxes (attached). **Roll Call Vote 6-0 Approved.**

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Clyde congratulated John Tait and the others on getting back on the Council.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Talaski thanked the veterans.

Ignash asked Troy if leaves were done. Troy stated they will try again when the snow melts.

Braun thanked the veterans.

Sprague thanked the veterans.

Rathje thanked the veterans.

Des Jardins thanked everyone that braved the weather to come in.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION Carried, by Sprague second by Talaski to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

Jamie Learman, Office Admin./Clerk

Patricia Des Jardins, Mayor

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