

**CITY OF CASEVILLE COUNCIL MEETING
November 13, 2017**

CALL TO ORDER:

The November 13, 2017 Meeting of the Caseville City Council was called to Order by Mayor Patricia Des Jardins at 6:30 p.m. The meeting was held in the Caseville City/Township Hall, 6767 Main, in Caseville Michigan. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

OATH OF OFFICE: administered to newly elected by Office Admin. /Jamie Learman.

Mayor: Patricia D. Des Jardins
Council Members: Jerald Ignash, Todd Talaski and Kenneth Rathje

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Michelle Beltz, Clint Braun, Kenneth Rathje, Jerald Ignash, Darin Sprague, Todd Talaski and Patricia Des Jardins (Mayor).

OTHERS PRESENT:

Jamie Learman, Clerk, Kyle Romzek, Police Chief and Laura Horkey, Treasurer.

MOTION, Failed, by Darin Sprague second by Jerald Ignash to appoint Todd Talaski as mayor pro-tem. Todd Talaski declined the nomination, Darin Sprague and Jerald Ignash withdrew their support.

MOTION, Carried, by Todd Talaski, second by Clint Braun to appoint Ken Rathje as mayor pro-tem. 5-0 Approved.

MOTION, Carried, by Todd Talaski, second by Jerald Ignash to approve the Council Committee List for 2017/2018. 6-0 Approved.

SET AGENDA:

MOTION Carried by Todd Talaski, second by Jerald Ignash to **AMEND** the agenda as presented. Additions: Add the Letter from the Oakwood Senior Citizen Housing Commission. 6-0 Approved.

MINUTES APPROVAL:

MOTION, Carried, by Darin Sprague, second by Michelle Beltz to approve the minutes of the October 9, 2017 Council Meeting as presented. 5-0 Approved.

INVOICES, BUDGET AMENDMENTS & TRANSFERS:

RESOLUTION #2017-64, INVOICES, (Adopted), by Todd Talaski, second by Darin Sprague to approve Invoices as presented in the amount paid through 11/9/2017 \$147,502.65, pending approval \$13,824.90, for a **Total of \$161,327.55.** Roll Call Vote: 6-0 Approved.

PRESENTATIONS:

None

REPORTS/COMMITTEE:

Written reports of meeting minutes were received from the Zoning Administrator, Caseville Harbor Commission, Caseville Area Fire Protection Assn, Election Commission, D.P.W. Supervisor, City Clerk, and Police Chief: monthly statistics.

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

CORRESPONDENCE:

Chamber of Commerce Christmas in Caseville.
Oakwood Senior Citizen Housing Commission.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Clyde Campbell congratulated the new and re-elected council members and mayor. He also commented on the openings on the Harbor Commission.

Jessica Sancrant commented on the tourism for the Caseville area and advised about an article in the paper where the MSU extension will send people into the area to help make plans for new activities.

Derek Guster commented on how he is pleased with Emterra (Trash Company).

Lou Johnson commented on Debra Estep doing a good job while on the council. He also commented when you want something done, you have to do it yourself.

JoAnne VanderMeulen questioned when leaves are picked up.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

MOTION, Carried, by Darin Sprague, second by Todd Talaski to appoint Kenneth Rathje as the Ex-Officio. Term ending November 2019. 5-0 Approved.

MOTION, Carried, by Todd Talaski, second by Clint Braun to appoint Teresa Calkins to the ZBOA as an alternate to replace Kenneth Rathje. Term ending July 2018. 6-0 Approved.

MOTION, Carried, by Ken Rathje, second by Darin Sprague to appoint Kenneth Fry to the Harbor Commission to replace Kenneth Rathje. Term ending November 2020. 6-0 Approved.

MOTION, Carried, by Todd Talaski, second by Clint Braun to appoint Christopher Stahl to the Board of Review to replace Kenneth Rathje. Term ending January 2019. 6-0 Approved.

MOTION, Carried, by Darin Sprague, second by Todd Talaski to approve the request of the Caseville Chamber of Commerce to build a small warming fire in a self-contained portable metal fire pit at the City Park for Christmas in Caseville's Noel Night on December 2, 2017. 6-0 Approved.

MOTION, Carried, by Todd Talaski, second by Clint Braun to appoint Jessica Sancrant to the planning commission. No Term. 6-0 Approved.

MOTION, Carried, by Todd Talaski, second by Jerald Ignash to appoint Deanne Prutchick to the Oakwood Senior Citizen Housing Commission Board. 6-0 Approved.

RESOLUTION #2017-65, (Adopted), by Jerald Ignash, second by Ken Rathje to approve the bid from Darin's Handyman & Construction for the re-shingle of the gazebo at the Main Street Park in the amount of \$2,620.00. Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Approved. (Darin Sprague abstained)

RESOLUTION #2017-66, (Adopted), by Ken Rathje, second by Jerald Ignash to approve the agreement with Steelworkers Health and Welfare Fund, for insurance for the employees, for January 1, 2018 thru December 31, 2018. Average increase is 8.5%. Roll Call Vote: 6-0 Approved.

RESOLUTION #2017-67, (Adopted), by Ken Rathje, second by Clint Braun 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 will contribution will be \$26.00 per week beginning January, 2018. Roll Call Vote: 6-0 Approved.

RESOLUTION #2017-68, (Adopted), by Todd Talaski, second by Darin Sprague to acknowledge the discrepancy between the State Law and City Charter regarding the date for filing election nominating petitions and to follow the State Law, which says petitions shall be filed the 15th Tuesday prior to the November General Election. (Attached) Roll Call Vote: 6-0 Approved.

RESOLUTION #2017-69, (Adopted), by Darin Sprague, second by Todd Talaski to adopt the Check Signing Policy and Authorized Signature List. (Attached) Roll Call Vote: 6-0 Approved.

RESOLUTION #2017-70, (Adopted), by Todd Talaski, second by Ken Rathje to adopt the 2017 Federal Poverty Guidelines for the Application for Poverty Exemption from the current year taxes. (Attached) Roll Call Vote: 6-0 Approved.

RESOLUTION #2017-71, (Adopted), by Todd Talaski, second by Darin Sprague, to approve the agreement for garbage services with Emterra through March 31, 2023. (attached) Roll Call Vote: 6-0 Approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Lou Johnson commented on Parks and Recreation Board.
Clyde Campbell commented that the City of Caseville is fantastic.
Kyle Romzek congratulated the new and re-elected council members.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Todd Talaski commented on the 5 year plan.
Michelle Beltz congratulated the council member and thanked Todd Talaski for hanging the flag on Veteran's Day.
Clint Braun congratulated the council members.
Ken Rathje commented that he is glad to be back on the board.
Mayor Patricia Des Jardins thanked the council and the public for doing a great job. Happy Thanksgiving to everyone.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Todd Talaski, second by Clint Braun to Adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 P.M. 6-0 Approved.

Laura Horkey, Treasurer/Deputy Clerk Patricia Des Jardins, Mayor
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