

**CITY OF CASEVILLE COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 9, 2016**

CALL TO ORDER:

The May 9, 2016 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.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Council Members Michelle Beltz (6:42 pm), Clint Braun, Debra Estep, Jerald Ignash, Darin Sprague, Todd Talaski; Mayor Patricia Des Jardins.

OTHERS PRESENT: Jamie Learman, Clerk; David Quinn, DPW Supt. & Kyle Romzek, Police Chief

SET AGENDA:

MOTION, Carried, by Estep, second by Talaski, to set the agenda as presented. Vote **Passed 6-0**.

MINUTES APPROVAL:

MOTION, Carried, by Estep, second by Talaski to approve the minutes of the April 11, 2016 Council Meeting as presented. Vote **Passed 6-0**.

MOTION, Carried, by Estep, second by Braun to approve the minutes of the April 27, 2016 Special Council Meeting as presented. Vote **Passed 6-0**.

INVOICES, BUDGET AMENDMENTS & TRANSFERS:

RESOLUTION #2015-24, INVOICES, by Estep, second by Talaski to approve Invoices as presented in the amount of **\$217,448.70**. (Paid through May 5, 2016 \$216,755.39, Pending \$693.31) Roll Call Vote **Passed 6-0**.

PRESENTATIONS:

There were no presentations.

REPORTS:

Written reports and minutes were received and discussed by the Council.

MOTION, Carried, by Estep, second by Talaski to file the Reports as presented. Vote **Passed 6-0**.

CORRESPONDENCE:

A letter of retirement was received from Jacqueline Finneren.

A letter was received from the state of Bureau of Construction Codes authorizing inspection enforcement.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Clyde Campbell commented that the City was losing a lot with the retirement of Jacque.

James Smith also said Jacque was an asset to the City.

Kenneth Rathje said Jacque will be missed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

DISCUSSION to set the procedure for sale of public property. This was referred back to the Buildings and Grounds committee for further discussion.

NEW BUSINESS:

MOTION, Carried, by Estep, second by Talaski to accept the notice of retirement from Jacqueline Finneren effective 6/30/2016. Vote **Passed 6-0**.

RESOLUTION #2016-25, by Estep, second by Sprague to hire Laura Horkey as the replacement for City Treasurer / Full time Office Employee Jacqueline Finneren who is retiring 6/30/2016. Effective Date of Hire: On or after May 10, 2016 (as soon as available) at the rate and benefits as stipulated by the current United Steelworkers Union contract. Roll Call Vote **Passed 6-0**.

MOTION, Carried, by Talaski, second by Braun to appoint Jamie Learman as the officer delegate for the M.E.R.S. Retirement Board Annual Meeting for the period of Sept. 1, 2016 - August 2017. Vote **Passed 6-0**.

MOTION, Carried, by Estep, second by Sprague to appoint Dena Withey as the employee delegate for the M.E.R.S. Retirement Board Annual Meeting for the period of Sept 1, 2016- August 2017. Vote **Passed 6-0**.

RESOLUTION #2016-26, by Estep, second by Braun to approve the Employee Agreement with James Brennan as the City Assessor, for the period of 7/1/16 – 6/30/17. Roll Call Vote **Passed 6-0**.

RESOLUTION #2016-27, by Talaski, second by Braun to approve the Employee Agreement with Terry Kelly as the City Building Inspector & Zoning Administrator, for the period of 7/1/16 – 6/30/17. Roll Call Vote **Passed 6-0**.

RESOLUTION #2016-28, by Talaski, second by Braun to approve the Employee Agreement with Raymond Heins as the City Electrical Inspector, for the period of 5/1/16 – 6/30/17. Roll Call Vote **Passed 6-0**.

RESOLUTION #2016-29, by Sprague, second by Braun to approve the supervisors Annual Sick & Personal Leave Bank be treated as eligible for MERS Retirement & this action be retroactive to Include corrections for years 2013 – 2015 for Jamie Learman & David Quinn. Estimated cost to City for MERS correction \$1,200.00. Roll Call Vote **Passed 6-0**.

RESOLUTION #2016-30, by Estep, second by Sprague to increase the garbage base rate \$1.00 over the next six months in two increments of \$0.50 per quarter: \$0.50 effective April 1, 2016 and reflected on the July 1, 2016 billing; and \$0.50 effective October 1, 2016 to be reflected on the January 1, 2017 billing. Roll Call Vote **Passed 6-0**.

RESOLUTION #2016-31, by Estep, second by Braun to increase the water base rate \$0.50 per quarter, effective July 1, 2016 and reflected on the October 1, 2016 billing. Roll Call Vote **Passed 4-3**. (Aye: Beltz, Braun, Estep & Des Jardins; Nay: Sprague, Ignash & Talaski)

RESOLUTION #2016-32, by Estep, second by Sprague to increase Sewer OMR base rates \$0.50 per quarter, effective July 1, 2016 and reflected on the October 1, 2016 billing. Roll Call Vote **Passed 4-2**. (Aye: Talaski, Estep, Braun & Beltz; Nay: Sprague & Ignash)

RESOLUTION #2016-33, by Estep, second by Sprague to increase Water & Sewer OMR usage rates \$0.10 per 1000 gallons, effective July 1, 2016 and reflected on the October 1, 2016 billing. Roll Call Vote **Passed 4-2**. (Aye: Braun, Beltz, Estep & Talaski; Nay: Sprague & Ignash)

RESOLUTION #2016-34, by Estep, second by Braun to accept the preliminary budget for f.y. 2017; to set a Public Hearing during the **June 13 2016** Council Meeting starting at 6:30 p.m. for review of the proposed f.y. 2017 City Budget AND to set a proposed ad valorem General Operation millage of 16.0750 mils. Roll Call Vote **Passed 6-0**.

RESOLUTION #2016-35, by Estep, second by Talaski to accept the preliminary budget for f.y. 2017 from the **DDA Board of Directors** and to set a DDA Public Hearing Date of **June 13 2016 at 6:15 p.m.** for review of the proposed f.y. 2017 Budget AND to set a proposed ad valorem General Operation millage of 1.4326 mils. Roll Call Vote **Passed 6-0**.

RESOLUTION #2015-36, by Talaski, second by Braun to Adopt Electrical Fee Schedule as presented by the Ordinance Committee. Roll Call Vote **Passed 6-0**.

RESOLUTION #2016-37, by Estep, second by Braun to approve the f.y. 2017 Police Department roster as presented and to set the part time officer rate of pay at \$17.00 / hour. Roll Call Vote **Passed 4-2**. (Aye: Beltz, Braun, Sprague & Estep; Nay: Talaski & Ignash)

FIRST READING of 4 proposed Ordinances: #2016-04, (Repeal Chapters 260 & 654), #2016-05 (Amend Chapter 678 Weeds), #2016-06 (Amend Chapter 814 Outdoor Entertainment, Section 814.04 License Required, subsections (b) and (c)) and #2016-07 (Amend Site Plan Review 1286.43).

MOTION, Carried, by Estep, second by Talaski to schedule a Public Hearing for ordinances **#2016-04**, (Repeal of Chapters 260 & 654), **#2016-05** (amend Weed Ord), **#2016-06** (Amend Outdoor Assemblies Ordinance, License Required) and **#2016-07** (Amend Site Plan Review) on Monday, June 13, 2016 at 6:30 p.m., during the regular monthly Council Meeting. Vote **Passed 6-0**.

RESOLUTION #2016-38, by Estep, second by Talaski to resume selling excess sand stored in the City's composting area at \$4 per yard as recommended by the Committee of the Whole. Roll Call Vote **Passed 6-0**.

RESOLUTION #2016-39, by Talaski, second by Braun to designate the excess revenue/over-expenses of the General Fund for f.y. 2016 to Recreation Savings after receiving the auditor's report and recommendations. Roll Call Vote **Passed 6-0**.

RESOLUTION #2016-40, FAILED by Talaski, second by Ignash to exempt the Caseville United Methodist Church from the established vendor fees by accepting their intended fee schedule as stated, upon written confirmation of \$100 per site for non-food transient vendors per 5-day permit. (\$200 for 10-day Festival) The Church will provide port-a-potty and trash removal services for the vendors. Roll Call Vote **Failed 2-4**. (Aye: Talaski & Ignash; Nay: Sprague, Estep, Braun & Beltz)

MOTION, Carried, by Talaski second by Ignash that the Employee Relations Committee conduct Supervisors performance evaluations three (3) times per year. Vote **Passed 6-0**.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Joanne Vander Meulen asked about where the land is for sale.

Clyde Campbell talked about why the water rates are set the way they are.

Ed Smith, Congresswoman Miller's Office, talked about everything their office is working.

Clark Elftman spoke about Phragmites control, and the costs of foster children to the county.

David Quinn welcomed Laura and spoke about the hiring process.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Talaski asked questions about the foster kids to Elftman.

Ignash said Laura would do a good job, but disagreed with the hiring process. He also spoke about how other municipalities handle payroll process.

Clint Braun thanked Laura and said the City needs to look into timeclocks for all employees.

Des Jardins spoke about payroll and welcomed Laura.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION, Carried, by Sprague second by Ignash to Adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:45 P.M.

Jamie D. Learman, Office Admin./ Clerk

Patricia Des Jardins, Mayor

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