

**CITY OF CASEVILLE COUNCIL MEETING  
April 10, 2017**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

The April 10, 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.

**ROLL CALL:**

PRESENT: Michelle Beltz, Clint Braun, Debra Estep, Jerald Ignash, Darin Sprague, Todd Talaski and Mayor Patricia D. Des Jardins.

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Jamie Learman, Office Admin/Clerk, Troy Hartz, DPW Supt, Kyle Romzek, Police Chief, and Laura Horkey, Treasurer.

**SET AGENDA:**

**MOTION Carried** by Darin Sprague, second by Todd Talaski to **SET** the agenda as presented. 6-0 Approved.

**MINUTES APPROVAL:**

**MOTION, Carried** by Debra Estep, second by Darin Sprague to approve the minutes of the March 13, 2017 Council Meeting as presented. 6-0 Approved.

**INVOICES, BUDGET AMENDMENTS & TRANSFERS:**

**RESOLUTION #2017-13, INVOICES**, Adopted, by Debra Estep, second by Todd Talaski to approve Invoices as presented in the amount of \$112,611.03 including invoices paid through 04-06-2017 for 102,451.71 and pending Council approval of \$10,159.32 for a **Total of \$112,611.03**. Roll Call Vote: 6-0 Approved.

**RESOLUTION #2017-14**, Adopted, by Todd Talaski, second by Darin Sprague to approve the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Budgeted Transfers as presented in the amount of \$67,644.13. Roll Call Vote: 6-0 Approved.

**PRESENTATIONS:**

**REPORTS/COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Written reports or meeting minutes were received from the Assessor/BOR, Zoning Administrator, Caseville DDA, Oakwood Senior Citizen Housing, Caseville Harbor Commission, Advisory Water Board, Caseville Fire Protection Assn., DPW Supervisor, Employee Relations, City Clerk, Parks and Recreation, and Police Chief.

**MOTION, Carried** by Debra Estep, second by Todd Talaski to file the reports as presented. 6-0 Approved.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Amy Redwanz letter of interest in re-appointment to the Caseville DDA.  
Dr. Kevin Stachowiak letter of interest in the Caseville DDA.  
R U Red E? Ministries, Inc. requesting vending exemption.  
Caseville Kiwanis requesting exemption from the vending fees and raffle on the streets.  
C.A.F.P.A. FY 2018 budget

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Mayor Patricia D. Des Jardins commented on excessive amount of cats in the neighborhoods.

Derek Guster commented on excessive amount of squirrels that has caused him damage from them chewing wires.

Rob Pillsworth commented on the trouble they had with rats 20 years ago, until the cats came around.

Lou Johnson inquired on the update of the breakwall grant.

JoAnne Vander Meulen inquired on what church R U Red E Ministries is affiliated with.

Clyde Campbell made the comment that the cat issue use to be worse years ago.

Regina Kraft advised that she went to a training for the use of Naloxone nasal spray for heroin drug overdose. She advised that with the growing problem of drugs, she suggested the public take a class for information. She also gave information to Kyle Romzek, the Police Chief.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**MOTION**, Carried, by Todd Talaski, second by Debra Estep, to re-appoint Amy Redwanz to the Caseville DDA. Term expires 4/2021. 6-0 Approved.

**MOTION**, Carried, by Debra Estep, second by Todd Talaski, to appoint Dr. Kevin Stachowiak to the Caseville DDA. Term expires 4/2021. 6-0 Approved.

**MOTION**, Carried, by Debra Estep, second by Darin Sprague, to accept the Letter of Understanding from the United Steelworkers Local 15157-6, dated March 23, 2017, regarding 10 hour shifts. 6-0 Approved.

**RESOLUTION #2017-15**, Adopted, by Todd Talaski, second by Jerald Ignash, to split the costs with Caseville Township and Caseville School, for the repair of the tennis courts. Cost to the City not to exceed \$6,000.00. Roll Call Vote: 6-0 Approved.

**RESOLUTION #2017-16**, Adopted, by Todd Talaski second by Clint Braun, to approve the policy for viewing of assessment records. Roll Call Vote: 6-0 Approved.

**RESOLUTION #2017-17**, Adopted, by Darin Sprague, second by Todd Talaski, to hire John Atwell as a transport officer for the police department at a rate of pay of \$15.00 per hour. Roll Call Vote: 6-0 Approved.

**RESOLUTION #2017-18**, Adopted, by Todd Talaski, second by Darin Sprague, to increase the Sewer, OM&R base rate \$2.00 per quarter, to \$18.50 per quarter, effective July 1, 2017 and reflected on the October 1, 2017 bill. Roll Call Vote: 6-0 Approved.

**RESOLUTION #2017-19**, Adopted, by Debra Estep, second by Todd Talaski, to increase the Sewer OM&R usage rate \$.30 per thousand gallons, to \$4.90 per thousand gallons, effective for the billed usage on the October 1, 2017 bill. Roll Call Vote: 6-0 Approved.

**RESOLUTION #2017-20**, Adopted, by Todd Talaski, second by Michelle Beltz, to pay off the 1987 Water Revenue Bond by 4-17-17 in the amount of \$80,731.33 and to increase the budget expense 591-965-990 by \$81,000. Roll Call Vote: 6-0 Approved.

**RESOLUTION #2017-21**, ROLL CALL, by Debra Estep, second by Clint Braun, to exempt R U Red E? Ministries, Inc. from the established vending fees for their chicken BBQ fundraiser at 6941 Main St. on May 28, 2017 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Jerald Ignash proposed a new motion to the exemption, Clint Braun withdrew his second from the original resolution, and no other board member would second the original resolution.

**AMENDED RESOLUTION #2017-21**, Adopted, by Jerald Ignash, second by Todd Talaski to lower the vending fee to \$100.00, to R U Red E? Ministries, Inc. for their chicken BBQ fundraiser at 6941 Main St. on May 28, 2017 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Roll Call Vote: 5-1 Approved.

**RESOLUTION #2017-22**, Adopted, by Todd Talaski, second by Jerald Ignash, to exempt the Caseville Kiwanis Club from the established vending fees and allow them to have their 50-50 raffle on the streets during the parade on August 16, 2017. Roll Call Vote: 6-0 Approved.

**RESOLUTION #2017-23**, Adopted, by Todd Talaski, second by Debra Estep, to approve the proposed annual budget for the Caseville Area Fire Protection Association governing board. The City will be responsible for the equivalent of 0.6 mil of its taxable value. Roll Call Vote: 6-0 Approved.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Ken Rathje inquired with Troy Hartz on the sewers handling the new trailers.

Clyde Campbell advised he was not happy with the decision the board made for R U Red E Ministries. He thinks the Gunden's are nice people, they have offered their parking lot to the American Legion and The Rivers Edge does not serve food at the old Bay Café, they are having Bible study.

Derek Guster asked if the Mayor was the tie breaker on equal votes of the board.

Rob Pillsworth advised he does not have any problems with the churches.

Mike Smith commented on the fee for the chicken BBQ, feels it should be the same for all.

JoAnne Vander Meulen inquired on the steel wall that was caving in at the bridge.

Rob Pillsworth advised it was his wall, he took action against his neighbor, won in litigation and the wall was cut out. He advised that the walls should have been tied together.

Chief Kyle Romzek advised that he purchased one shotgun from Captain Johns in Bad Axe and the owner John Atwell donated one.

Jamie Learman advised that the Caseville Funeral home is up for sale, James Childs will be moving and combining businesses in the Pigeon area.

### **COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

Todd Talaski thanked Regina Kraft on the information for the Naloxone.

Darin Sprague advised that The Rivers Edge does serve food, he is not against the churches, and he is stating how the people that voted him in feel.

Debra Estep inquired on if the Naloxone can be donated by the K.A.D. program (Kids Against Drugs)?

Mayor Patricia Des Jardins thanked the council and the public for all they do, attending meetings and getting the budget done.

### **ADJOURNMENT:**

**MOTION** by Todd Talaski, second by Jerald Ignash to adjourn. 6-0 Approved. Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Laura Horkey, Treasurer/Deputy Clerk

Patricia D. Des Jardins, Mayor

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