

**CITY OF CASEVILLE COUNCIL MEETING
December 9, 2024**

CALL TO ORDER:

The December 9, 2024 Meeting of the Caseville City Council was called to order by Mayor Christopher Stahl at 5:30 p.m. The meeting was held in the Caseville City Hall, 6767 Main St., in Caseville Michigan. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL:

Roll Call – MEMBERS PRESENT: Kenneth Rathje, Darin Sprague, John Tait, Jeffrey Hervert, Jacob Kretschmer and Christopher Stahl (Mayor). **Absent:** Jerald Ignash. **Others Present:** Jamie Learman, City Manager, Deborah Hopkins, Police Chief and Troy Hartz, D.P.W. Supervisor.

SET AGENDA:

MOTION Carried, by Rathje second by Sprague to set the agenda as presented. **5-0 Approved.**

PUBLIC HEARING:

A hearing was held on proposed changes to ordinance #2024-4 1280.02 Table of Parking Requirements. Jamie Learman read the proposed new ordinance with changes.

Public Comments: Clyde Campbell said this was agreed upon way back when the Harbor Commission purchased all the parking behind the Main St. businesses, because they could no longer meet the parking requirements.

Correspondence: None

MOTION Carried, by Rathje second by Sprague to close the Public Hearing and resume the Regular Meeting at 5:34 p.m. **5-0 Approved.**

MINUTES APPROVAL:

MOTION Carried, by Sprague second by Tait to approve the minutes of the November 11, 2024 Council Meeting as presented. **5-0 Approved.**

INVOICES, BUDGET AMENDMENTS & TRANSFERS:

RESOLUTION #2024-70, INVOICES, ROLL CALL, by Rathje second by Hervert to approve invoices in the amount as presented: Paid through December 5, 2024, totaling \$165,802.19. **Roll Call Vote Approved 5-0.**

PRESENTATIONS:

Clyde Campbell, American Legion Senior Meal Site detailed a request for funding to keep building open to serve meals to seniors.

Kylie Braun, CPA, Nietzke & Faupel, P.C. City presented the FY 2024 Audit for the city.

REPORTS:

Written reports were received from the Zoning Administrator, Oakwood Senior Citizens Housing, Caseville Harbor Commission, the Caseville Area Fire Protection Assn., Water Board and the Employee Relations Committee. Troy Hartz talked about the EGLE/EPA study on the water issues. EPA has agreed to fund this study. Chief Hopkins talked about some recent break-ins and a subject is currently in custody.

MOTION Carried, by Rathje second by Sprague to file the Reports as presented. **5-0 Approved.**

CORRESPONDENCE:

Michael Muscat letter of interest in Council

PUBLIC COMMENTS: - (Agenda Items Only)

Michael Muscat praised the DPW for their leaf pick up. He questioned the EPA study and asked what other organizations the American Legion is trying to solicit money from.

Louis Johnson asked about an update on the Riverside Park property.

Wendy Waldrep also suggested the Legion reach out to other organizations for funding.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

ORDINANCE #2024-4, ROLL CALL, by Sprague second by Tait to approve the changes to 1280.02 Table of Parking Requirements as presented. **Roll Call Vote Approved 5-0.**

RESOLUTION #2024-71, ROLL CALL, by Rathje second by Tait to set the water rate for Pigeon and Caseville Township at \$9.00 per thousand. Effective January 1, 2025 for the April 1, 2025 bill. **Roll Call Vote Approved 5-0.**

RESOLUTION #2024-72, ROLL CALL, by Sprague second by Hervert to initiate the process for a Charter Amendment regarding changing Council Terms to even years. **Roll Call Vote Approved 5-0.**

RESOLUTION #2024-73, ROLL CALL, by Sprague second by Hervert to approve the Assessor Employment Agreement with Amy Haag, from January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2027. **Roll Call Vote Approved 5-0.**

RESOLUTION #2024-74, ROLL CALL, by Sprague second by Hervert to approve the Building Inspector/Zoning Administrator Employment Agreement with Terry Kelly, from January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2027. **Roll Call Vote Approved 5-0.**

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Wendy Waldrep commented she heard a rumor that the dollar store was relocating to Sand Point.

Louis Johnson asked if we are able to stay a city with continued population decline.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Rathje commented that our police cadet is graduating Friday, so he will soon be working for the city.

Stahl wished everyone a Merry Christmas and happy holidays.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION Carried, by Rathje second by Hervert to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m. **5-0 Approved.**


Jamie Learman, City Manager


Christopher C. Stahl, Mayor

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