

**CITY OF CASEVILLE COUNCIL MEETING**  
**January 13, 2025**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

The January 13, 2025 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, John Tait, Jerald Ignash, Jacob Kretschmer and Christopher Stahl (Mayor). Absent: Jeffrey Hervert and Darin Sprague. 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 Tait to set the agenda as presented. **4-0 Approved.**

**MINUTES APPROVAL:**

**MOTION Carried**, by Tait second by Rathje to approve the minutes of the December 9, 2024 Council Meeting as presented. **4-0 Approved.**

**INVOICES, BUDGET AMENDMENTS & TRANSFERS:**

**RESOLUTION #2025-1, BUDGETED TRANSFERS, ROLL CALL**, by Rathje second by Kretschmer to approve budgeted transfers for the 2nd Quarter in the amount of \$52,767.70. **Roll Call Vote Approved 4-0.**

**RESOLUTION #2025-2, INVOICES, ROLL CALL**, by Ignash second by Kretschmer to approve invoices in the amount as presented: Paid through January 9, 2024, totaling \$221,122.86. **Roll Call Vote Approved 4-0.**

**PRESENTATIONS:**

None

**REPORTS:**

Written reports were received from the Zoning Administrator, Planning Commission, Downtown Development Authority, Oakwood Senior Citizens Housing, Caseville Harbor Commission, the Caseville Area Fire Protection Assn., and the Finance Committee. Jamie Learman spoke about the ongoing work to bring a charter revision to a vote in November and the ordinances on the agenda for tonight. Chief Hopkins said the new officer is doing well in training.

**MOTION Carried**, by Tait second by Ignash to file the Reports as presented. **4-0 Approved.**

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

None

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** - (Agenda Items Only)

None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Ordinance First Readings:** Jamie Learman read and explained the following ordinances:

**Ordinance #2025-1**, codification of the 2024 ordinance changes.

**Ordinance #2025-2**, Repeal and replace 678.05 Storage, accumulation, and maintenance of junk, junk vehicles, blighted structures, etc.

**MOTION Carried**, by Ignash second by Kretschmer to appoint Jamie Learman, Michael Power and Jeanette Renn to the City Election Commission for 2025. **4-0 Approved.**

**MOTION Carried**, by Rathje second by Tait to approve the 2025 Schedule of Meeting Dates. (Attached) **4-0 Approved.**

**MOTION Carried**, by Kretschmer second by Tait to set a Public Hearing for the proposed Ordinance Codification and the repeal and replacement of section 678.05 on February 10, 2025 at 5:30 p.m. **4-0 Approved.**

**MOTION Carried**, by Rathje second by Ignash to reappoint Michael Power and Jeanette Renn to the Board of Review, term ending 1/2027. **4-0 Approved.**

**MOTION Carried**, by Tait second by Kretschmer to appoint Carol Weber to the Board of Review, term ending 1/2027. **4-0 Approved.**

**MOTION Carried**, by Tait second by Ignash to appoint Michael Barron to the Board of Review as an alternate, term ending 1/2027. **4-0 Approved.**

**MOTION Carried**, by Rathje second by Tait to appoint Michael Barron to the Planning Commission, term ending 9/2027. **4-0 Approved.**

**RESOLUTION #2025-3, ROLL CALL**, by Tait second by Ignash to approve the following list of Election Inspectors for calendar year 2025: Kristen Maust, Rebecca McGeathy, Jeanette Renn, Audrey Jesmore and Gail Wilcox. This list shall not be limited to those named in the resolution. RATE OF PAY for 2025 elections shall be \$18/ hr. **Roll Call Vote Approved 4-0.**

**RESOLUTION #2025-4, ROLL CALL**, by Rathje second by Ignash to donate \$1,000 (\$1,000 budgeted) to the Huron County Sheriff's Department for drug enforcement. **Roll Call Vote Approved 4-0.**

**RESOLUTION #2025-5, ROLL CALL**, by Tait second by Kretschmer to set the March Board of Review's Organizational meeting for March 4, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. **Roll Call Vote Approved 4-0.**

**RESOLUTION #2025-6, ROLL CALL**, by Tait second by Kretschmer to update the open order accounts list, as established by resolution, regarding ordinance #208.08. (Attached) **Roll Call Vote Approved 4-0.**

**RESOLUTION #2025-7, ROLL CALL**, by Rathje second by Tait to contract for 1 year with the American Legion Meal Site, in the amount of \$3,000, to provide meals to seniors at their facility. **Roll Call Vote Approved 4-0.**

**RESOLUTION #2025-8, INVOICES, ROLL CALL**, by Tait second by Ignash to temporarily suspend Ordinance #2016-03 as it relates to the Plumbing Inspector and allow plumbing permits, inspections and enforcement to flow through Huron County Building and Zoning, until a permanent replacement can be hired by the city. **Roll Call Vote Approved 4-0.**

**RESOLUTION #2025-9, ROLL CALL**, by Tait second by Kretschmer to approve the MDOT Performance Resolution for Governmental Agencies. (Attached) **Roll Call Vote Approved 4-0.**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Clyde Campbell thanked the council for the donation and also spoke about other activities that occur in addition to the meal program.

Wendy Waldrep asked about the blight ordinance.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

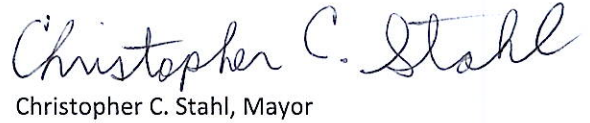
Rathje asked for an update from Hartz on the water situation. Hartz informed them that testing is to begin soon and they are waiting on EGLE for guidance.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**MOTION Carried**, by Rathje second by Tait to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m. **4-0 Approved.**



Jamie Learman, City Manager



Christopher C. Stahl, Mayor

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