

CITY OF CASEVILLE COUNCIL MEETING
May 13, 2024

CALL TO ORDER:

The May 13, 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:

Two special votes were held to obtain a majority recommending Jacob Kretzschmer to the vacant City Council seat. **MOTION Carried**, by Sprague second by Tait to fill the Council seat vacated by Todd Talaski until the next election that will be held on November 4, 2025 with Jacob Kretzschmer. **5-0 Approved.**

Jamie Learman swore in Jacob Kretzschmer.

Roll Call MEMBERS PRESENT: Kenneth Rathje, Jerald Ignash, Darin Sprague, John Tait, Jeffrey Hervert, Jacob Kretzschmer and Christopher Stahl (Mayor). Others Present: Jamie Learman, Office Admin/Clerk, Deborah Hopkins, Police Chief and Troy Hartz, DPW Supervisor.

SET AGENDA:

MOTION Carried, by Rathje second by Tait to set the agenda as presented. **6-0 Approved.**

PUBLIC HEARING

A hearing on proposed ordinance #2024-2 Consumer Gas Franchise Ordinance.

Public Comments – None

Correspondence – None

MOTION Carried, by Sprague second by Ignash to adjourn the Public Hearing at 5:37 p.m. and resume the Regular Business Meeting. **6-0 Approved.**

MINUTES APPROVAL:

MOTION Carried, by Sprague second by Hervert to approve the minutes of the April 8, 2024 Council Meeting as presented. **6-0 Approved.**

INVOICES, BUDGET AMENDMENTS & TRANSFERS:

RESOLUTION #2024-17, INVOICES, ROLL CALL, by Tait second by Rathje to approve invoices in the amount as presented: Paid through 5-9-2024, Total \$281,364.28. **Roll Call Vote Approved 6-0.**

RESOLUTION #2024-18, AMENDMENTS, ROLL CALL, by Rathje second by Sprague to approve the FY 2024 budget amendments in the amount of \$106,750.00. **Roll Call Vote Approved 6-0.**

PRESENTATIONS:

None

REPORTS:

Written reports were received from the Zoning Administrator, Planning Commission, Caseville Downtown Development Authority, Oakwood Senior Citizens Housing, Caseville Area Fire Protection Assn., DPW Committee, Parks & Recreation Committee and the Police Committee. Hartz talked about discharging the lagoons, flushing hydrants and the increasing number of water turn-ons. He also talked about Agri-Valley Services boring fiber and the upcoming Lead & Copper inspections.

MOTION Carried, by Rathje second by Sprague to file the Reports as presented. **6-0 Approved.**

CORRESPONDENCE:

Todd Talaski resignation letter

Jason Krueger letter of interest in council seat
R U Red E? Ministries Inc. request for reduction or exemption from vending fees
Letter from Karen Osentoski, Director Oakwood Housing
Diana Kish, Thumb Easy Riders regarding donation towards bike repair station
Gary Bartow, Fleis & VandenBrink recommending Booms Construction Inc.'s bid for the Community/Recreation Center at Riverside Park
Gary Bartow, Fleis & VandenBrink recommending Monchilov Sewer Service, LLC bid for the service line material verification

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

James Smith commented about the parking issues on River St.
Michael Muscat is concerned about the navigation channel.
Henry Ranke talked about issues with the parking on River St. and possible zoning violations. He also asked about the missing speed limit sign.
Jamie Learman commented that the RV park on River St. has been surveyed and there are pins. He also said he is meeting with the Army Corp on the 16th and will inquire about dredging.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

ORDINANCE #2024-2, ROLL CALL, by Sprague second by Tait to approve the Consumers Gas Franchise ordinance.
Roll Call Vote Approved 6-0.

MOTION Carried, by Sprague second by Tait to reappoint Sharon Kelly to the Oakwood Senior Citizen Housing Board, term ending 6/2029. **6-0 Approved.**

RESOLUTION #2024-19, ROLL CALL, by Sprague second by Hervert to accept the preliminary budget for F.Y. 2025; to set a Public Hearing during the June 10, 2024 Council Meeting starting at 5:30 p.m. for review of the proposed F.Y. 2025 City Budget AND to set a proposed ad valorem General Operation millage of 16.0750 mils. **Roll Call Vote Approved 6-0.**

RESOLUTION #2024-20, ROLL CALL, by Tait second by Sprague to accept the preliminary budget for F.Y. 2025 from the DDA Board of Directors and to set a DDA Public Hearing Date of June 10, 2024 at 5:15 p.m. for review of the proposed F.Y. 2025 Budget AND to set a proposed ad valorem General Operation millage of 1.4326 mils. **Roll Call Vote Approved 6-0.**

RESOLUTION #2024-21, ROLL CALL, by Rathje second by Sprague to authorize the police chief to send one person to the Delta Police Academy in August 2024. **Roll Call Vote Approved 6-0.**

RESOLUTION #2024-22, ROLL CALL, by Tait second by Ignash to increase the Water base rate \$3.00 per quarter, effective July 1, 2024 for the October 1, 2024 bill. **Roll Call Vote Approved 6-0.**

RESOLUTION #2024-23, ROLL CALL, by Sprague second by Tait to increase the Sewer OM&R base rate \$5.00 per quarter, effective July 1, 2024 for the October 1, 2024 bill. **Roll Call Vote Approved 6-0.**

RESOLUTION #2024-24, ROLL CALL, by Sprague second by Tait to increase the Garbage base rate \$7.00 per quarter, effective July 1, 2024 for the October 1, 2024 bill. **Roll Call Vote Approved 6-0.**

RESOLUTION #2024-25, ROLL CALL, by Sprague second by Ignash to authorize the publication of the notice of intent to issue revenue bonds and declaring intent to reimburse the Clean Water State Revolving Fund Project in the amount up to \$5,000,000. (Full Resolution Attached) **Roll Call Vote Approved 6-0.**

RESOLUTION #2024-26, ROLL CALL, by Sprague second by Tait to reduce the vending fee for RU Red E? Ministries Chicken BBQ to \$100 for a one-day vending permit on May 25, 2024. **Roll Call Vote Approved 6-0.**

RESOLUTION #2024-27, ROLL CALL, by Ignash second by Tait to accept the recommendation from Fleis & VandenBrink and contract with Booms Construction, Inc. to build the Community/Recreation center at Riverside Park at a cost not to exceed \$1,170,000. **Roll Call Vote Approved 6-0.**

RESOLUTION #2024-28, ROLL CALL, by Tait second by Sprague to accept the recommendation from Fleis & VandenBrink and contract with Monchilov Sewer Service, LLC for the service line material verification at a cost not to exceed \$63,200. **Roll Call Vote Approved 6-0.**

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

James Smith asked if there was only one bid for the Community/Recreation Center and asked about police coverage on the weekends.

Scott Maust talked about the sensors the Army Corps is going to place and said the Huron Yacht Club has given their permission.

Michael Muscat asked about the commitment required for the academy recruit.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Sprague thanked Talaski for his service and help to the community.

Rathje said Clint and Todd both. He also congratulated the Caseville Robotics team. He talked about the upcoming Blessing of the Fleet, the ceremony in the cemetery and the dedication ceremony for the stone that will be placed in the cemetery.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION Carried, by Sprague second by Tait to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m. **6-0 Approved.**


Jamie Learman, Office Admin./Clerk


Christopher C. Stahl, Mayor

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