

City of Casey



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Jerome Williams

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REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL TUESDAY FEBRUARY 18TH, 2020 6:00 P.M

The Regular Meeting of the City Council was held Tuesday February 18th, 2020; beginning at 6:00 p.m. Mayor Nik Groothuis was present and called the Meeting to Order and led the Pledge of Allegiance:

Roll Call:

Present: Alderman Mumford
Alderman Richardson
Alderman Ruffner
Alderman Washburn
Alderman Williams

Absent: Alderman Todd

A quorum was declared.

Public Forum:

None

Community Affairs:

None

Meeting Minutes:

Mayor Groothuis looked for approval of the minutes of the February 3rd, 2020 City Council Meeting.

Alderman Washburn motioned approval of the minutes of the February 3rd, 2020 City Council Meeting, seconded by Alderman Richardson. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Richardson, Ruffner, Washburn, Williams and Mumford

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 1 – Todd

Motion declared carried

Officers Reports:

Clerk Mumford presented February 18th, 2020 Bills payable for approval.

Alderman Washburn motioned approval of the February 18th, 2020 Bills Payable in the amount of \$173,336.05 seconded by Alderman Ruffner. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Washburn, Williams, Mumford, Richardson and Ruffner

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 1 – Todd
Motion declared carried

Attorney Shoaff presented Ordinance #465: Rate Change Ordinance. This ordinance will change the way rate increases are handled. This will take away the automatic 4% increase and will allow the council the discretion to change rates when needed. Mayor Groothuis would like for the Council to review this ordinance and they will bring it back at the next Council Meeting for approval.

Attorney Shoaff presented Ordinance #467: Amends the Section of Code pertaining to Standing Committees. This changes the code so it is updated with our current City Council Committees. Alderman Washburn motioned approval of Ordinance #467, seconded by Alderman Ruffner.

Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Williams, Mumford, Richardson, Ruffner and Washburn

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 1 – Todd

Motion declared carried

Attorney Shoaff is needing more time for Ordinance #468 and will hopefully have that ready at the next Council Meeting. She also presented Ordinance #469: Which removes the Fire Department from the City Code, since they are now their own Fire District.

Alderman Richardson motioned approval of Ordinance #469: Removal of Fire Department from City Code, seconded by Alderman Mumford. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Mumford, Richardson, Ruffner, Washburn and Williams

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 1 – Todd

Motion declared carried

Superintendent Biggs was absent, but Mayor Groothuis had a report that he provided the Council which updated on some projects going on.

Chief Henderson gave the progress report for January to the Council.

New Business:

Park Committee Chairman Richardson reported on meeting held on 2/6/2020 where they meet at the park with the Saddle Club. They went over their current projects.

Finance Committee Chairman Williams reported on the meeting held on 2/12/2020 where they reviewed the budget and appropriations for the year. They also reviewed the policies regarding projects and talked about different guidelines for reporting these projects.

Airport Committee Chairman Richardson reported on the meeting held on 2/13/20 at the airport. They meet with the Airport Boosters Club and went over their current projects.

Downtown Improvement and Economic Development Committee Chairman Mumford reported

on the meeting they held on 2/18/2020. They looked at some current City Grant applications and have the following recommendations.

Alderman Washburn motioned approval to award to David Yaw \$2,500.00 in a business Improvement Grant, seconded by Alderman Mumford. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 5 –Williams, Mumford, Richardson, Ruffner and Washburn

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 1 – Todd

Motion declared carried

Alderman Mumford motioned approval to award The Saddle Club a \$500.00 Community Grant, seconded by Alderman Richardson. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 5 –Mumford, Richardson, Ruffner, Washburn and Williams

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 1 – Todd

Motion declared carried

Alderman Richardson motioned approval to award Patricia Williams with a revitalization grant in the amount of \$500.00 pending turning in of a dumpster bill, seconded by Alderman Mumford. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 5 –Richardson, Ruffner, Washburn, Williams and Mumford

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 1 – Todd

Motion declared carried

Unfinished Business:

None

Alderman Reports:

Alderman Mumford required about the Street and Alley Committee meeting about the downtown parking. Alderman Williams said he would get that scheduled soon.

Mayor Reports:

Mayor Groothuis reported on a current bill in the State House that was recently introduced. Mayor Groothuis and Alderman Mumford reported on the Feasibility Study meeting they recently had with MSA. MSA is continuing the work and they look forward to getting this completed.

There was no further Business of the City Council for the February 18th, 2020 Council Meeting.

Adjournment:

Alderman Washburn motioned to adjourn, seconded by Alderman Richardson. Upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: 5 – Ruffner, Washburn, Williams, Mumford and Richardson

Nays: 0 – None

Absent: 1 - Todd

Motion declared carried

Adjournment of the City Council was at 7:04 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by; Jeremy Mumford, City Clerk