

**CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HOMETOWN
JOURNAL OF THE PROCEEDINGS
January 8, 2018**

Call to Order: The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Hometown was called to order by Mayor Kevin Casey on Tuesday, January 8, 2018 at 8:00 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance: The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Alderman Reynolds.

Roll Call: Roll call indicated that the following were present: Aldermen Kurysz, Smith, Walsh, Banasiak, Barnhouse and Reynolds, Zak and Finnegan.
Absent: Aldermen Grochowski and Touchie,

Also present: Michael Cainkar, City Attorney, Louis Dominguez, Chief of Police, Mike Ringbauer, Director of Public Health and Safety, Mark Trlak, Director of Public Works.

Press: Kelly White, Hometown Hi-Lites.

Journal December 11, 2018: Moved by Alderman Kurysz, seconded by Alderman Smith to approve as published the Journal of December 11, 2018 Regular City Council Meeting.
Roll Call Indicated:

AYES: (6) Aldermen Kurysz, Zak, Smith, Walsh, Banasiak and Finnegan.

NAYS: (0)

ABSENT: (2) Aldermen Grochowski and Touchie

ABSTENTION: (2) Aldermen Barnhouse and Reynolds.

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

CITIZEN’S HEARING

Ann Sheil of 4512 88th Place asked what was happening with the Commercial Vehicles parking on city streets. Mayor Casey stated there will be a Code and Ordinance Meeting to discuss it.

Mayor Casey turned the meeting over to John Hoffman from Wagner Sim to present the Annual Audit and answer any questions. Mr. Hoffman stated the best part to read is the Analysis Management section. The big change this year was the IMRF liability, it went down due to investments and the death of one of the members. Mr. Hoffman thanked the City Clerk and her staff for their assistance during the Audit.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Office of the Mayor:

Mayor Casey stated he will have things as the meeting goes on.

Office of the City Clerk:

Clerk Hacker reported that her office received notification from the Department of Revenue that the Sales Tax collected in the month of October 2018 was in the amount of \$11,003.78. The amount collected in the month of October 2017 was in the amount of \$15,850.51.

Clerk Hacker reported that her office received notification from the Department of Transportation that the MFT collected in the month of October 2018 was in the amount of \$9,809.72. The amount collected in the month of October 2017 was in the amount of \$9,793.52.

Clerk Hacker stated she received a request from Park Lawn for the Annual Ad for their fundraising book. Moved by Alderman Walsh, seconded by Alderman Finnegan to approve a half page ad.

Roll Call Indicated:

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NAYS: (0)

ABSENT: (2) Aldermen Grochowski and Touchie

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

Office of the Treasurer:

Treasurer Roti stated everyone should have copies of the reports generated from his office, the Investment Portfolio and the Treasurer’s report. Treasurer Roti stated everything is consistent, the budget calendar has been passed out and everyone is encouraged to attend the budget meetings. Treasurer Roti stated everyone should read page 31 of the Audit.

City Attorney: Michael Cainkar, City Attorney had no report.

Police: Louis Dominguez, Chief of Police had no report.

REPORTS FROM CITY APPOINTED OFFICIAL

Public Works: Mark Trlak, Director stated today there was a main break in the plaza, they will get back to pot holes tomorrow.

Building Dept.: James Forbes, Building Commissioner absent.

Public Health & Safety: Mike Ringbauer, Director of Public Health and Safety had no report.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES
FINANCE COMMITTEE

Accounts Payable and Payroll December 25, 2018: Moved by Alderman Banasiak, seconded by Alderman Finnegan to approve for payment the accounts payable vouchers in the amount of \$72,559.49 and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$50,809.75 for a total expenditure of \$123,369.24. (List of vouchers marked “EXHIBIT A” attached to and made a part of this Journal)
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NAYS: (0)
ABSENT: (2) Aldermen Grochowski and Touchie
MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

Accounts Payable and Payroll January 08, 2019: Moved by Alderman Banasiak, seconded by Alderman Zak to approve for payment the accounts payable vouchers in the amount of \$183,039.92 and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$54,177.12 for a total expenditure of \$237,217.04. (List of vouchers marked “EXHIBIT A” attached to and made a part of this Journal)
Roll Call Indicated:
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AYES: (6) Aldermen Kurysz, Zak, Smith, Walsh, Barnhouse, Reynolds, Banasiak and Finnegan.
NAYS: (0)
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Alderman Banasiak acknowledged receipt of the Treasurer's Report and the Clerk Collector's report.

STREETS, SIDEWALKS AND MUNICIPAL BUILDING COMMITTEE

Alderman Glen Zak, Chairman had no report. Mayor Casey stated there are residents complaining about our streets saying Oak Lawn is always getting new streets. Oak Lawn is Home Rule and can use the Gas Tax to pay for those streets, we tried to go Home Rule but the residents did not vote it in. Many communities assess the residents for ½ the cost of the new street.

WATER AND SEWER COMMITTEE

Alderman Smith, Chairman had no report.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Alderman Smith, Chairman had no report.

BUILDING COMMITTEE

Alderman Barnhouse, Chairman gave the Building report.

LICENSE COMMITTEE: Alderman Donna Grochowski, Chairman absent.

CODE AND ORDINANCE COMMITTEE: Alderman Bob Reynolds, Chairman called for a Code and Ordinance meeting for January 22, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

INSURANCE COMMITTEE: Alderman Rick Banasiak, Chairman had no report.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMITTEE: Alderman Luci Kurysz, Chairman had no report.

POLICE COMMITTEE: Alderman Finnegan, Chairman reported:
273 Calls 282 MSI Tickets 27 State Tickets 14 Local Ordinance Tickets

REPORTS FROM SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Library: Alderman Grochowski absent.

Legislation: Alderman Spencer Touchie, Chairman absent

Fire Department Personnel Alderman Rick Banasiak reported the next meeting is Monday.

Review: Mayor Kevin Casey, Chairman had no report.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS RESOLUTIONS, ORDERS AND ORDINANCES BY ALDERMEN

Special Events: Alderman Banasiak reported the OLL Men's Club is hosting a Trivia Night on January 12 at 7:00 p.m. Clerk Hacker reported the Hometown Community Chest is hosting the Queen of Hearts Split the Pot on Friday's at the Hometown Tap, drawings at 8:00 p.m. the pot is over \$25,000.00.

Health, Welfare & Community Awareness: Alderman Grochowski absent.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS: Mayor Casey stated the proposed Car Wash is moving along. The new Cell Tower is up and this tower is providing us with more income than the one at Patterson which we sold to pay for the new park. The new Cell Tower also has the potential of additional carriers which is additional income for the City of Hometown. Mayor Casey spoke with the people that just purchased the property adjacent to the Cell Tower and they have absolutely no issues with it.

CITIZEN'S HEARING: NONE

ADJOURNMENT: Motion made by Alderman Reynolds, seconded by Alderman Kurysz to adjourn the regular meeting of the Hometown City Council.

MOTION STATED CARRIED The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm

Mary Jo C. Hacker, City Clerk