

**CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HOMETOWN  
JOURNAL OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
February 12, 2019**

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, February 12, 2019 at 8:00 P.M.

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

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

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 and James Forbes, Building Commissioner.

Press: Kelly White, Hometown Hi-Lites.

Journal January 22, 2019: Moved by Alderman Smith, seconded by Alderman Kurysz to approve as published the Journal of January 22, 2019 Regular City Council Meeting.  
Roll Call Indicated:

AYES: (6) Aldermen Kurysz, Smith, Barnhouse, Reynolds  
Banasiak and Touchie

NAYS: (0)

ABSENT: (2) Aldermen Grochowski and Finnegan

ABSTENTION: (2) Aldermen Walsh and Zak

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

**CITIZEN'S HEARING**

NONE

**REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

**Office of the Mayor:**

Mayor Casey stated he would be appointing Ronald Bechtel as a Trustee of the Hometown Fire Protection District to replace Wade Alexa as Wade has moved out of state. Mayor Casey stated Ron will be a good fit, he has many years of Fire Service.

Appointment HFPD Moved by Alderman Walsh, seconded by Alderman Barnhouse to approve the appointment of Ronald Bechtel as a Trustee of the Hometown Fire Protection District.

Trustee: Roll Call Indicated:

AYES: (8) Aldermen Kurysz, Smith, Barnhouse, Reynolds  
Walsh, Zak, Banasiak and Touchie

NAYS: (0)

ABSENT: (2) Aldermen Grochowski and Finnegan

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

**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 November 2018 was in the amount of \$17,279.54. The amount collected in the month of November 2017 was in the amount of \$11,526.34.

Clerk Hacker reported that her office received notification from the Department of Transportation that the MFT collected in the month of November 2018 was in the amount of \$9,445.88. The amount collected in the month of November 2017 was in the amount of \$9,609.76.

Clerk Hacker stated everyone should have a form regarding the upcoming Legislative Breakfast, please let me know if you plan on attending.

Clerk Hacker thanked Alderman Kurysz for the Valentine Candy.

**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, nothing new this month.

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

Police: Louis Dominguez, Chief of Police reported January activity  
LO Tickets: 10 State Tickets 31 P Tickets 383 Complaints 200.

**REPORTS FROM CITY APPOINTED OFFICIAL**

Public Works: Mark Trlak, Director stated they have been plowing/salting / pot hole patching. There were 2 water breaks.

Building Dept.: James Forbes, Building Commissioner no report.

Public Health & Safety: Mike Ringbauer, Director of Public Health and Safety reported he wrote 3 tickets.

**REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES**  
**FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Accounts Payable and Payroll February 22, 2019: Moved by Alderman Touchie, seconded by Alderman Zak to approve for payment the accounts payable vouchers in the amount of \$49,527.01 and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$77,142.01 for a total expenditure of \$126,669.02.  
(List of vouchers marked "EXHIBIT A" attached to and made a part of this Journal)  
Roll Call Indicated:  
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AYES: (8) Aldermen Kurysz, Zak, Smith, Walsh, Barnhouse, Reynolds, Banasiak and Touchie  
NAYS: (0)  
ABSENT: (2) Aldermen Grochowski and Finnegan  
MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

Alderman Touchie 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.

**WATER AND SEWER COMMITTEE**

Alderman Walsh, Chairman had no report.

**PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE**

Alderman Smith, Chairman reported that all the Kiddy Kaper teachers are retiring after the graduation. The Park Board put an ad in the Hi-Lites for a Director and teachers. Graduation is April 5<sup>th</sup> at Hometown School Gym at 7:30 p.m.

**BUILDING COMMITTEE**

Alderman Barnhouse, Chairman gave the Building report.

**LICENSE COMMITTEE:** Alderman Donna Grochowski, Chairman absent.

**CODE AND ORDINANCE COMMITTEE:**

Alderman Bob Reynolds, Chairman asked if the truck parking issue was resolved. Chief Dominguez stated he spoke to him and he moved his truck immediately and it has not been parked there since.

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

**PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMITTEE:** Alderman Luci Kurysz, chairman reminded everyone, dogs should not be left out in the cold.

**POLICE COMMITTEE:** Alderman Finnegan, Chairman absent.

**REPORTS FROM SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

**Library:** Alderman Grochowski absent.

**Legislation:** Alderman Spencer Touchie, Chairman had no report

Fire

**Department** Alderman Rick Banasiak reported there were 6 calls in 8 days. Hometown was first on the scene for assists. Family Days went well. The goal is 10 k hours of training. Mayor Casey commended the District on their training, we recently had two house fires and both attached homes were saved. The families in the attached homes spent the night in their home on the night of the fire, that was unheard of in the past.

Personnel

**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 February 23, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. Alderman Touchie reported the Hometown Community Chest Queen of Hearts on Friday's at the Hometown Tap, drawings at 8:00 p.m. the pot is over \$32,000.00.

**Health, Welfare & Community Awareness:** Alderman Grochowski absent.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** NONE

**NEW BUSINESS:**NONE

**CITIZEN'S HEARING:** NONE

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

MOTION STATED CARRIED      The meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm

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Mary Jo C. Hacker, City Clerk