

**CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HOMETOWN
JOURNAL OF THE PROCEEDINGS
February 13, 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, February 13, 2018 at 8:00 P.M.

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

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

Absent: Aldermen Scheckel and Barnhouse.

Also present: Michael Cainkar, City Attorney, 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 23, 2018: Moved by Alderman Banasiak, seconded by Alderman Walsh to approve as published the Journal of January 23, 2018 Regular City Council Meeting.

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

NAYS: (0)

ABSENT: (2) Aldermen Scheckel and Barnhouse

ABSTENTION: (2) Aldermen Grochowski and Touchie

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

CITIZEN'S HEARING

NONE

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Office of the Mayor:

Mayor Casey reported the Chief of Police resigned and he accepted that resignation. Any questions see him after the meeting. Mayor Casey stated it has been a brutal two weeks and he wants to commend the Public Works for their outstanding work with plowing and water breaks lately. Mayor Casey stated many businesses were closed down on Friday and he commends the Police Department and City Clerk's Office for remaining open. Once again Mayor Casey urged the City Officials to shop Evergreen Park as a way of showing our appreciation to Mayor Sexton. During the snow storm, one of the beds slid right off our truck while out plowing. Mayor Sexton has allowed us to borrow a truck while we figure out what can be done with our truck.

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 2017 was in the amount of \$11,526.34. The amount collected in the month of November 2016 was in the amount of \$14,500.82.

Clerk Hacker reported that her office received notification from the Department of Transportation that the MFT collected in the month of November 2017 was in the amount of \$9,609.76. The amount collected in the month of November 2016 was in the amount of \$10,317.02.

Office of the Treasurer:

Treasurer Roti stated everyone should have copies of the two reports generated by his office, everything is going pretty well.

REPORTS FROM CITY APPOINTED OFFICIAL

City Attorney: Michael Cainkar, City Attorney had no report

Police: Chief of Police. No report

Public Works: Mark Trlak, Director thanked Chris and Jim for the great team work in Public Works.

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

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

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES
FINANCE COMMITTEE

Accounts Payable and Payroll February 13, 2018: Moved by Alderman Touchie seconded by Alderman Banasiak to approve for payment the accounts payable vouchers in the amount of \$52,813.29 and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$73,269.89 for a total expenditure of \$126,083.18.

(List of vouchers marked "EXHIBIT A" attached to and made a part of this Journal)
Roll Call Indicated:

AYES: (8) Aldermen Banasiak, Finnegan, Reynolds, Walsh, Grochowski, Zak, Touchie and Kurysz

NAYS: (0)

ABSENT: (2) Aldermen Scheckel and Barnhouse

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

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.

WATER AND SEWER COMMITTEE

Alderman Scheckel, Chairman was absent.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Alderman Robert Reynolds, Chairman stated the Park Board will hold the new park dedication on June 2, 2018, the benches should be installed in March and the Gazebo will be here soon. There will be a Thunderbolts Trip on June 30, 2018 which is Star Wars night with the tickets being \$8.00. As of July 1, 2018 the rental fee for Hammond Hall for Non-residents will increase by \$50.00 bringing the rental fee to \$350.00.

BUILDING COMMITTEE

Alderman Barnhouse, Chairman was absent. Alderman Walsh gave the January Building Report.

LICENSE COMMITTEE: Alderman Donna Grochowski, Chairman had no report.

CODE AND ORDINANCE COMMITTEE: Alderman Bob Reynolds, Chairman had no report.

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 gave the January report.
258 Station Complaints 388 MSI P Tickets 108 State Tickets 13 Local Ord. Tickets

REPORTS FROM SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Library: Alderman Grochowski had no report.

Legislation: Alderman Spencer Touchie, Chairman had no report.

Fire Department Alderman Daniel Walsh stated that the meeting was cancelled due to no quorum.

Personnel Review: Mayor Kevin Casey, Chairman and member Chief Piszczor had no report

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

ORD. NO. 3, 2018: Moved by Alderman Touchie, seconded by Alderman Finnegan to approve Ordinance No. 3-2018, an Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 5 2017, the Appropriation Ordinance for Corporate and other purposes for the Fiscal Year beginning May 1, 2017, and ending April 30, 2018, in the City of Hometown, Illinois. *On the question Treasurer Roti stated that due to all the serious water breaks we had to increase the water account Appropriation.*

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NAYS: (0)

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Special

Events: Alderman Grochowski reported that we received a letter from the Cook County Rabies Unit and they have scheduled us for June 27, 2018 from 10:00 am to 2:45 pm. The Breakfast with the Easter Bunny will be held on March 31, 2018

Health, Welfare & Community Awareness: Alderman Grochowski reported on upcoming events.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Clerk Hacker asked the Officials to let her know who will be attending the SW Conf. of Mayors Local Government Expo on March 10, 2018. Treasurer Roti stated we will return to the Finance Calendar as written with the next meeting being March 6, 2018 Committee of the Whole at 7:00 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS: Mayor Casey reported there was a water break under a resident’s garage and they are asking for reimbursement on items with water damage. There was full discussion.

CITIZEN’S HEARING: NONE

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

MOTION STATED CARRIED
The meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm