

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

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

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

Absent: Alderman Grochowski

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 February 27, 2018: Moved by Alderman Zak, seconded by Alderman Scheckel to approve as published the Journal of February 27, 2018 Regular City Council Meeting.

AYES: (7) Aldermen Banasiak, Reynolds, Walsh, Zak, Scheckel, Barnhouse and Kurysz

NAYS: (0)

ABSENT: (1) Alderman Grochowski

ABSTENTION: (2) Aldermen Touchie and Finnegan

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

**CITIZEN’S HEARING**

NONE

**REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

**Office of the Mayor:**

Mayor Casey had nothing at this time.

**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 December 2017 was in the amount of \$10,899.26. The amount collected in the month of December 2016 was in the amount of \$14,704.81.

Clerk Hacker reported that her office received notification from the Department of Transportation that the MFT collected in the month of December 2017 was in the amount of \$9,838.60. The amount collected in the month of December 2016 was in the amount of \$9,807.44.

Clerk Hacker reported that we had received a Thank you from the family of Vince De Caro, the owner of Vince’s Towing for the plant we sent at the time of his passing. We also received a thank you from Park Lawn for the Ad we put in their fundraising booklet.

**Office of the Treasurer:**

Treasurer Roti stated everyone should have copies of the two reports generated by his office, everything is going pretty well. We are receiving a heavy stream of Real Estate Tax right now and this is the big time of year for Local Debt Recovery.

**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 stated they have been doing catch basin repairs and will continue to do more of these. They will also be working on the fencing by the Public Works out lot. The Street Sweeper will be out in April. Director Trlak stated they will be able to get hot patch in April to fix the streets where there was water breaks.

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 March 13, 2018: Moved by Alderman Scheckel seconded by Alderman Banasiak to approve for payment the accounts payable vouchers in the amount of \$48,406.30 and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$45,190.67 for a total expenditure of \$93,596.97.  
(List of vouchers marked "EXHIBIT A" attached to and made a part of this Journal)  
Roll Call Indicated:

- AYES: (9) Aldermen Banasiak, Finnegan, Reynolds, Walsh, Zak, Scheckel, Touchie, Kurysz and Barnhouse
- NAYS: (0)
- ABSENT: (1) Alderman Grochowski,

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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.

**WATER AND SEWER COMMITTEE**

Alderman Scheckel, Chairman was absent.

**PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE**

Alderman Robert Reynolds, Chairman stated the Park Board is looking into getting shade for the new park. They have reserved 50 tickets for the Thunderbolts game on June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018, with 50 more on hold if needed and there will be no buses due to the close location. It is Star Wars Night at the Ballpark with Fireworks after the game.

**BUILDING COMMITTEE**

Alderman Barnhouse, Chairman gave the February Building Report.

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

**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.  
 238 Station Complaints 407 MSI P Tickets 77 State Tickets 20 Local Ord. Tickets  
 Chairman Finnegan moved, seconded by Alderman Zak to Authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Hometown and the Southwest Major Crimes Task Force. *On the question Mayor Casey explained this is a different, more condensed force that we are joining, the thought behind this is a smaller number of communities we should have fewer call outs.*

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**REPORTS FROM SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

**Library:** Alderman Grochowski absent.

**Legislation:** Alderman Spencer Touchie, Chairman reported that the Senate is in their last week until April 9, 2018. Chairman Touchie stated he had a paper with the IML synopsis of five bills that will impact municipalities if anyone wanted to look it over. Election is next week.

**Fire Department** Alderman Daniel Walsh gave the report.

**Personnel Review:** Mayor Kevin Casey, Chairman had no report

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

**RES. NO. 1- 2018:** Moved by Alderman Finnegan, seconded by Alderman Zak to approve Resolution No. 1-2018, A Resolution requesting Community Development Block Grant ("CDBG") funds for Program Year 2018 in the amount of Two Hundred Forty-Five Thousand, and no/100Dollars (\$245,000.00) for Capital Improvements 87<sup>th</sup> Place/Kostner Ave to Keeler Ave Reconstruction.

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**Special Events:** Alderman Grochowski absent. Mayor Casey reported the Breakfast with the Easter Bunny will be held on March 31, 2018

**Health, Welfare & Community Awareness:** Alderman Grochowski absent. Mayor Casey stated Alderman Grochowski's Dad passed away, his service will be at OLL Thursday from 3-9 and visitation 10:00-11:00 a.m. Friday with an 11:00 a.m. mass to follow.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** NONE

**NEW BUSINESS:** NONE

**CITIZEN'S HEARING:** NONE

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

MOTION STATED CARRIED  
The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm

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Mary Jo C. Hacker, City Clerk