

**CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HOMETOWN
JOURNAL OF THE PROCEEDINGS
April 10 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, April 10, 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, Scheckel, Grochowski, Barnhouse, Walsh, Finnegan, Zak and Banasiak.

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

- AYES: (8) Aldermen Banasiak, Reynolds, Walsh, Zak, Scheckel, Grochowski, Touchie and Kurysz
 - NAYS: (0)
 - ABSTENTION: (2) Aldermen Barnhouse and Finnegan
- MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

Journal March 27, 2018: Moved by Alderman Zak, seconded by Alderman Scheckel to approve as published the Journal of March 27, 2018 Committee of the Whole Meeting.

- AYES: (9) Aldermen Banasiak, Reynolds, Walsh, Zak, Scheckel, Grochowski, Touchie, Kurysz and Finnegan.
 - NAYS: (0)
 - ABSTENTION: (1) Alderman Barnhouse
- 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 January 2018 was in the amount of \$23,709.03. The amount collected in the month of January 2017 was in the amount of \$17,058.09.

Clerk Hacker reported that her office received notification from the Department of Transportation that the MFT collected in the month of January 2018 was in the amount of \$8,523.74. The amount collected in the month of January 2017 was in the amount of \$9,350.81.

Clerk Hacker reported that we had received request from the Salvation Army to conduct Donut Days Friday and Saturday, June 1st and 2nd 2018 and red Kettle Campaign Monday through Saturday, November 1st –December 24, 2018.

Moved by Alderman Grochowski, seconded by Alderman Walsh to approve the requests from the Salvation Army.

Upon Roll Call: AYES (10) NAYS (0)

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

Office of the Treasurer:

Treasurer Roti stated everyone should have copies of the two reports generated by his office, everything is going pretty well and we received a large amount of Real Estate Tax.

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 are back into the seasonal routine, they have been working at the park restoring the area around the gazebo and working on putting the fencing up.

Building Dept.: James Forbes, Building Commissioner reported AT&T is just about done laying their fiber optic. Com Ed. will be in upgrading their equipment and Nicor is changing mains on Cicero.

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

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES
FINANCE COMMITTEE

Accounts Payable and Payroll April 10, 2018: Moved by Alderman Touchie seconded by Alderman Scheckel 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: (10) Aldermen Banasiak, Finnegan, Reynolds, Walsh, Zak, Scheckel, Grochowski, Touchie, Kurysz and Barnhouse

NAYS: (0)

ABSENT: (0)

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 Scheckel, Chairman stated he saw there was a water break on Buckley since the last meeting. Mark Trlak stated the plants open mid-April so they will be finishing the street repairs where they had breaks.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Alderman Robert Reynolds, Chairman stated HPBB/SB President Shawn Lindsey was at the meeting and she reported there will be five (5) boys' teams and one (1) girl's team. Opening Day is April 21st and the parade will be determined. The benches have arrived. June 2nd is the park Dedication; they are planning to have a band/face painter and food.

BUILDING COMMITTEE

Alderman Barnhouse, Chairman gave the February Building Report.

Chairman Barnhouse notified the City Council the Zoning Board of Appeals will meet on Wednesday, April 11, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at the request of Leoncio Estrada of 9010 Pulaski Road in Hometown. Mr. Estrada is seeking to widen his driveway 2 ½' using paver bricks.

Chairman Barnhouse notified the City Council the Building Board of Appeals will meet on Wednesday, April 11, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. at the request of Bryant Bocinsky of 4662 W. 89th Place in Hometown. Mr. Bocinsky is asking to install new siding on his house using the color driftwood; the whole duplex is currently white.

There was full discussion regarding the widening of the driveway.

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 stated they are still interviewing for the Chief's position.

REPORTS FROM SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Library: Alderman Grochowski reported that the Library will hold a Story Hour on April 21 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and they will also have a coloring contest afterwards. The Library received their per capita Grant funds. Circulation for March 2017 was 626, 2018 was 642.

Legislation: Alderman Spencer Touchie, Chairman reported that the Senate and House will be back next week.

Fire Department Alderman Daniel Walsh gave the report. The Trustees asked if the City had received anything from Metra regarding paying rent? Clerk Hacker advised him that the City has not received anything. Alderman Barnhouse asked about Metra cleaning their property and removing weeds and tall grass. Mayor Casey stated he has spoken to Metra and they are tired of trying to clean around all the debris residents throw over their fences. Mayor Casey and Alderman Barnhouse agreed to walk the tracks to check the condition.

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

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

RES. NO. 2-2018: Moved by Alderman Touchie, seconded by Alderman Banasiak to approve Resolution No. 2-2018, a Resolution of the City of Hometown fixing the pay and pay period of all City Officials and Employees.

AYES: (10) Aldermen Banasiak, Finnegan, Reynolds, Walsh, Zak, Scheckel, Grochowski, Touchie, Kurysz and Barnhouse

NAYS: (0)

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

RES. NO. 3-2018: Moved by Alderman Banasiak, seconded by Alderman Touchie to approve A Resolution providing for the Annual Budget of the City of Hometown for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2018 and ending April 30, 2019.

On the question Treasurer Roti stated, the Park Board budget was added, which is 4,200.00 less than what we thought it would be. I added the 7,500.00 for street patching and we met with a Water Meter Company and we decided to add funds to the water account so if we decide to move forward the money is there, 900,000.00 was added. Mayor Casey stated there has been several meeting with different officials, Hancock is vetting this company, so far they are the most economical and efficient as far as installation, and they would give the City Council a presentation prior to voting on this company and project.

AYES: (10) Aldermen Banasiak, Finnegan, Reynolds, Walsh, Scheckel, Grochowski, Zak, Touchie, Kurysz and Barnhouse

NAYS: (0)

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

ORD. NO. 5-2018: Moved by Alderman Barnhouse seconded by Alderman Reynolds to approve Ordinance No.5-2018 an Ordinance amending Chapter 11, Licenses, of the Municipal Code of Hometown, by adding Article 42, Raffles

AYES: (10) Aldermen Banasiak, Finnegan, Reynolds, Walsh, Scheckel, Grochowski, Zak, Touchie, Kurysz and Barnhouse

NAYS: (0)

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

ORD. NO. 6-2018: Moved by Alderman Touchie, seconded by Alderman Banasiak to approve Ordinance No. 6-2018, an Ordinance amending Chapter 14, Traffic, Article 11, regulating the kinds and classes of traffic on certain highways, by adding provisions governing vehicle weights.

AYES: (10) Aldermen Banasiak, Finnegan, Reynolds, Walsh, Grochowski, Touchie, Zak, Scheckel, Kurysz and Barnhouse

NAYS: (0)

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

Special

Events: Alderman Grochowski thanked everyone that came to the Breakfast with the Easter Bunny and all the volunteers. A big thank you to Walgreen’s at 87th & Cicero for the picture taking and the OLL kids that helped. The Cook County Rabies will be held on June 27, 2018.

Health, Welfare & Community Awareness: Alderman Grochowski reported on several upcoming events. Alderman Touchie reported Sertoma is having a Fire Department Chili cook off at 115 Bourbon Street on May 5, 2018 and the 16th Annual Hometown Community Golf Outing will be held on June 9, 2018.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS: Mayor Casey stated the next meeting we will be putting the founder of Kiddy Kapers, Jane Plante on the Mae Randle Board and we will also honor Joe Burke for his work with the Toys for Tots which helps us with the Breakfast with Santa event. With Spring coming it would be a nice time for everyone to clean up their properties.

CITIZEN’S HEARING: NONE

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

MOTION STATED CARRIED The meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm