

**CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HOMETOWN
JOURNAL OF THE PROCEEDINGS
April 11, 2017**

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 11, 2017 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 Walsh, Reynolds, Kurysz, Barnhouse, Finnegan, Carmody, Byrne and Banasiak.

Absent: Alderman Touchie and Grochowski

Also present: Joseph Cainkar, City Attorney, Mike Ringbauer, Director of Public Health and Safety, Mark Trlak, director of Public Works, Howard Reinheimer, Chief of Police and James Forbes, Building Commissioner.

Press: Kelly White, Hometown Hi-Lites.

Journal March 28, 2017: Moved by Alderman Finnegan, seconded by Alderman Carmody to approve as published the Journal of March 28, 2017 regular City Council Meeting.

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

NAYS: (0)

ABSENT: (2) Aldermen Touchie and Grochowski

ABSTENTION: (2) Aldermen Barnhouse and Byrne

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

Journal March 28, 2017: Moved by Alderman Kurysz, seconded by Alderman Reynolds to approve as published the Journal of the Committee of the Whole of March 28, 2017 regular City Council Meeting.

AYES: (8) Aldermen Banasiak, Walsh, Reynolds, Carmody, Kurysz, Barnhouse, Byrne and Finnegan

NAYS: (0)

ABSENT: (2) Aldermen Touchie and Grochowski

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

CITIZEN’S HEARING

NONE

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Office of the Mayor:

Mayor Casey congratulated the Hometown Fire Protection District for the referendum. Mayor Casey thanked the voters that came out to support the candidates and the referendum. Mayor Casey congratulated the officials that were re-elected and newly elected Glenn Zak for Ward Five. Mayor Casey stated things are going good and he looks forward to working with everyone for the next four years.

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 2017 was in the amount of \$ 17,058.09. The amount collected in the month of January 2016 was in the amount of \$ 16,894.18.

Clerk Hacker reported that her office received notification from the Department of Transportation that the MFT collected in the month of January 2017 was in the amount of \$9,350.81. The amount collected in the month of January 2016 was in the amount of \$9,554.44.

Clerk Hacker congratulated the officials that were re-elected and newly elected.

Office of the Treasurer:

Treasurer Roti reported everyone should have copies of the reports from his office, the Investment Portfolio, ETSB Fund Balance report and the Treasurer’s report. Treasurer Roti pointed out the ETSB Fund balance had gone down due to the funds being used for the transition. Treasurer Roti stated with the end of the budget process he will have fiscal year end reports next month.

REPORTS FROM CITY APPOINTED OFFICIAL

City Attorney: Joseph Cainkar, City Attorney, no report.

Police: Howard Reinheimer, Chief of Police, no report.

Public Works: Mark Trlak, Director, no report. Alderman Banasiak asked about the street patching that was discussed months ago and it was decided to talk again at budget time, when will the work start? Mayor Casey asked Director Trlak to get the square footage and pricing and we will go from there.

Building: James Forbes, Building Commissioner. no report.

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

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES
FINANCE COMMITTEE

Accounts Payable and Payroll April 11, 2017: Moved by Alderman Banasiak seconded by Alderman Finnegan to approve for payment the accounts payable vouchers in the amount of \$177,373.80 and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$73,050.98 for a total expenditure of \$250,424.78.

(List of vouchers marked “EXHIBIT A” attached to and made a part of this Journal)

Roll call, the vote was:

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AYES: (8) Aldermen Banasiak, Walsh, Reynolds, Carmody, Barnhouse, Finnegan, Kurysz and Byrne

NAYS: (0)

ABSENT: (2) Aldermen Touchie and Grochowski

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 Gary Byrne, Chairman, no report.

WATER AND SEWER COMMITTEE

Alderman Thomas Carmody, Chairman, no report.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Alderman Robert Reynolds, Chairman, no report

BUILDING COMMITTEE

Alderman Barnhouse, Chairman gave the Building report.

LICENSE COMMITTEE: Alderman Donna Grochowski Chairman, absent. Alderman Carmody reported Vehicle Stickers and Animal Tags will be on sale May 1ST 2017 to June 30TH, 2017.

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

INSURANCE COMMITTEE: Alderman Rick Banasiak Chairman, no report.

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

POLICE COMMITTEE: Alderman Finnegan Chairman gave the monthly report.

285 Calls 234 MSI 135 State 5 Local Ord. Tickets

REPORTS FROM SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Library: Alderman Grochowski absent. Mayor Casey stated he was at the Annual Co-op meeting so he did not attend. Mayor Casey asked the Library Board Members present if there was anything to report. Board Member Shirley Sears reported the Board sends their thanks to the City for the assistance with the A/C and Furnace.

Legislation: Alderman Spencer Touchie, Chairman, absent.

Fire Department Alderman Daniel Walsh gave the March report. Alderman Walsh read a letter of thanks to the residents for their support.

Personnel Review: Mayor Kevin Casey, Chairman, no report
Alderman Grochowski entered at 8:16 p.m.

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

ORD. NO 3-2017: Moved By Alderman Byrne, seconded by Alderman Barnhouse to approve Ordinance No. 3 -2017; an Ordinance Amending Chapter 11, Licenses, by adding Article 42, Invalidity of Conflicting Ordinances, to the Municipal Code of Hometown

Roll call, the vote was:

AYES: (9) Aldermen Banasiak, Walsh, Reynolds, Carmody, Barnhouse, Finnegan, Grochowski, Kurysz and Byrne

NAYS: (0)

ABSENT: (1) Alderman Touchie

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

RES. No. 3-2017: Moved by Alderman Byrne, seconded by Alderman Banasiak to approve Resolution No 3-2017; A Resolution between the City of Hometown and IDOT regarding work on State Highways.

Roll call, the vote was:

AYES: (9) Aldermen Banasiak, Walsh, Reynolds, Carmody, Barnhouse, Finnegan, Grochowski, Kurysz and Byrne

NAYS: (0)

ABSENT: (1) Alderman Touchie

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

Res. No. 4-2017: Moved by Alderman Finnegan, seconded by Alderman Reynolds to approve Resolution No. 4-2017, A Resolution of the City of Hometown fixing the Pay and Pay Period of all City Officials and Employees.
 Roll call, the vote was:
 AYES: (9) Aldermen Banasiak, Walsh, Reynolds, Carmody, Barnhouse, Finnegan, Grochowski, Kurysz and Byrne
 NAYS: (0)
 ABSENT: (1) Alderman Touchie
 MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

Res. No. 5-2017: Moved by Alderman Banasiak, seconded by Alderman Walsh to approve Resolution No.5-2017 A Resolution Providing for the Annual Budget of the City of Hometown for the Fiscal Year beginning May 1, 2017 and ending April 30, 2018.
 Roll call, the vote was:
 AYES: (9) Aldermen Banasiak, Walsh, Reynolds, Carmody, Barnhouse, Finnegan, Grochowski, Kurysz and Byrne
 NAYS: (0)
 ABSENT: (1) Alderman Touchie
 MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

Mayor Casey thanked Treasurer Roti for all of his work on the budget as well as the Department Heads. Mayor Casey commended everyone for a fiscally sound community.

9-1-1 ETSB: Chief Reinheimer reported things are moving with the transition to Hickory Hills, we will be testing April 19th and be online by May 1st.

Special Events: Alderman Grochowski reported the plans are set for Breakfast with the Easter Bunny on April 15, 2017. We received notification that we will have the Cook County Rabies again this year in June.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS: NONE

CITIZEN’S HEARING: Shirley Sears asked if there were ordinances we were looking at to re-do. Mayor Casey stated yes, we recently removed several old out dated ordinances from the code.

Mary Saviano of 4656 West 89th Place addressed the City Council. She stated as a 24 ½ year resident she wanted the City Council to consider lifting the no parking from 2-6 am. Ms. Saviano asked that outdoor decorations left up all year that are falling off the property be looked at and small swimming pools in the front yards being left out filled overnight. She commended the Police Department.

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

MOTION STATED CARRIED
 The meeting adjourned at 8:36 pm