

**CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HOMETOWN
JOURNAL OF THE PROCEEDINGS
April 25, 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 25, 2017 at 8:00 P.M.

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

Roll Call: Roll call indicated that the following were present: Aldermen Byrne, Walsh, Reynolds, Carmody, Barnhouse, Banasiak, Grochowski and Kurysz.

Absent: Aldermen Touchie and Finnegan
Also present: Joseph Cainkar, City Attorney.

Press: Kelly White, Hometown Hi-Lites.

Journal April 11, 2017 Moved by Alderman Carmody seconded by Alderman Reynolds to approve as published the Journal of April 11, 2017 regular City Council Meeting.

Roll call, the vote was:

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

NAYS: (0)

ABSENT: (2) Aldermen Touchie and Finnegan

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

CITIZEN’S HEARING

Charlene Thomson of 8810 Kolin addressed the City Council regarding her neighbor and his fire pit and debris. There was full discussion of this subject. It was decided that the City Attorney would prepare an ordinance to give the police and fire departments guidelines when dealing with fire pits.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Office of the Mayor

Mayor Casey stated we received an email stating the election results are certified so we will do the swearing in at the next meeting.

Office of the City Clerk:

Clerk Hacker stated her office had received thank you notes from Pat Knoblauch and Lorna Kendall for the small gift we gave them to commemorate their 45 years of teaching for Kiddy Kapers. Clerk Hacker reminded everyone that vehicle stickers and animal tags go on sale May 1st to June 30th. Clerk Hacker reminded the officials to submit their ethics statement if they have not done so, the deadline is May 1st.

Office of the Treasurer:

City Treasurer Salvatore Roti stated he will miss the next meeting as he will be out of town, overseas, for his full-time job. Treasurer Roti stated he will have year-end reports at the next meeting.

REPORTS FROM CITY APPOINTED OFFICIAL

City Attorney: Joseph Cainkar, no report.

Police: Chief Howard Reinheimer, not present.

Public Works: Mark Trlak, Director, not present.

Building: James Forbes, Commissioner, not present.

Public Health & Safety: Michael Ringbauer, Director, not present.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Accounts Payable and Payroll April 25, 2017 Moved by Alderman Banasiak seconded by Alderman Carmody to approve for payment the accounts payable vouchers in the amount of \$68,242.08 and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$54,594.16 for a total expenditure of \$122,836.24. (List of vouchers marked "EXHIBIT A" attached to and made a part of this Journal)

Roll call, the vote was:

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NAYS: (0)

ABSENT: (2) Aldermen Touchie and Finnegan

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

STREETS, SIDEWALKS AND MUNICIPAL BUILDING COMMITTEE

Alderman Gary Byrne Chairman reported Bid Opening for the CDBG project of resurfacing 87th Place Kilbourn to Kostner including the Kenneth Cul De Sec will be held on May 3rd at 3:00 p.m.

WATER AND SEWER COMMITTEE

Alderman Thomas Carmody Chairman, no report.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Alderman Robert Reynolds Chairman no report. Mayor Casey stated the Park project is going well, the sewer work is almost done. The project is on pace for the June completion.

BUILDING COMMITTEE

Alderman Brian Barnhouse Chairman, no report.

LICENSE COMMITTEE:

Alderman Donna Grochowski Chairman, Vehicle Stickers and Animal Tags will be on sale May 1st to June 30th.

CODE AND ORDINANCE COMMITTEE:

Alderman Robert Reynolds Chairman, no report.

INSURANCE COMMITTEE:

Alderman Rick Banasiak Chairman, The Health Insurance premiums came in even lower than the final quote at budget time.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMITTEE:

Alderman Luci Kurysz Chairman, no report.

POLICE COMMITTEE

Aldermen Frank Finnegan Chairman absent. Alderman Banasiak moved, seconded by Alderman Barnhouse to Authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Hometown and the Village of Bridgeview for the use of the Village of Bridgeview’s Firing Range Facilities.

Roll call, the vote was:

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

NAYS: (0)

ABSENT: (2) Aldermen Touchie and Finnegan

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

Mayor Casey reported the 9-1-1 Consolidation switch to Hickory Hills happened Wednesday and everything is going good, no issues. Mayor Casey stated it might be time to look at the 4 hour ban on overnight parking. Mayor Casey asked for a consensus on overnight parking. There was some discussion and the consensus had a majority of the Aldermen willing to have further discussion on the subject at a later date.

REPORTS FROM SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Library: Alderman Grochowski, reported the circulation for March was 626. The board sent a Thank you to the Mayor and City Council for the assistance with the A/C and Furnace. One of the Library Clerk’s will be attending a grant writing seminar. The next Board Meeting is May 3, 2017 at 7:30.

Legislation: Alderman Spencer Touchie, Chairman absent. Mayor Casey stated they are still working on the State Budget.

Fire Department: Alderman Daniel Walsh gave the HFPD report.

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

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

RES. No. 6-2017: Moved by Alderman Walsh, seconded by Alderman Barnhouse to approve Resolution No. 6-2017: A Resolution approving the 2017 MFT Budget in the amount of \$115,000.00.

Roll call, the vote was:

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

NAYS: (0)

ABSENT: (2) Aldermen Touchie and Finnegan

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

9-1-1 ETSB: Chief Reinheimer, not present.

Special Events: Alderman Grochowski thanked everyone that helped with the Breakfast with the Easter Bunny. The event was well attended, 335 people were served breakfast. The Cook County Rabies Unit will come to OLL on June 21st 10:00 am to 2:45pm.

Health, Welfare and Community Events: Alderman Grochowski reported on upcoming events.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Alderman Banasiak stated the street patching was tabled until it was decided what would be done about the garbage truck/cans on the street. This will be discussed in the future.

NEW BUSINESS: NONE

CITIZEN'S HEARING: NONE

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

MOTION STATED CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm

Mary Jo C. Hacker, City Clerk