

**CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HOMETOWN
JOURNAL OF THE PROCEEDINGS
May 23, 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, May 23, 2017 at 8:00 P.M.

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

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

Absent: Aldermen Carmody.
Also present: Joseph Cainkar, City Attorney.

Mayor Casey asked for a moment of silence for former Alderman Al Westin, he passed away this morning.

Press: Kelly White, Hometown Hi-Lites.

Journal May 9, 2017 Moved by Alderman Reynolds seconded by Alderman Grochowski to approve as published the Journal of May 9, 2017 regular City Council Meeting.
Roll call, the vote was:

- AYES: (7) Aldermen, Walsh, Zak, Banasiak, Grochowski, Reynolds, Finnegan and Kurysz.
 - NAYS: (0)
 - ABSENT: (1) Aldermen Carmody
 - ABSTENSION: (2) Aldermen Barnhouse and Touchie
- MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

CITIZEN’S HEARING

NONE

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Office of the Mayor

Mayor Casey turned the meeting over to City Clerk Mary Jo C. Hacker to swear in officials. Clerk Hacker administered the Oath of Office to City Treasurer Salvatore Roti and Alderman Ward Two Brian Barnhouse.

Office of the City Clerk:

Clerk Hacker stated her office had received a Request for a Sponsorship and Foursome 123 District Educational Foundation Golf Outing.

Moved by Alderman Finnegan and seconded by Alderman Barnhouse to approve the Hole Sponsorship and Foursome for the District 123 Golf Outing.

- AYES: (9) Aldermen, Walsh, Zak, Banasiak, Grochowski, Reynolds, Finnegan, Barnhouse, Touchie and Kurysz.
 - NAYS: (0)
 - ABSENT: (1) Aldermen Carmody
- MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

Office of the Treasurer:

City Treasurer Salvatore Roti had no report.

REPORTS FROM CITY APPOINTED OFFICIAL

City Attorney: Joseph Cainkar, no report.

Police: Chief Howard Reinheimer, not present.

Public Works: Mark Trlak, Director, not present. Mayor Casey gave kudos to the Public Works Department, during the last storm they were out at 2 am removing large limbs from the streets.

Building: James Forbes, Commissioner, not present.

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

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Accounts Payable and Payroll May 23, 2017
Moved by Alderman Touchie seconded by Alderman Banasiak to approve for payment the accounts payable vouchers in the amount of \$94,172.97 and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$53,932.82 for a total expenditure of \$148,105.79.
(List of vouchers marked "EXHIBIT A" attached to and made a part of this Journal)

Roll call, the vote was:

AYES: (9) Aldermen, Walsh, Touchie, Finnegan, Zak, Barnhouse, Banasiak, Kurysz, Grochowski and Reynolds.

NAYS: (0)

ABSENT: (1) Alderman Carmody

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

Mayor Casey stated the Bill Board will be considered at another meeting after attorney review.

STREETS, SIDEWALKS AND MUNICIPAL BUILDING COMMITTEE

Alderman Glen Zak Chairman moved, seconded by Alderman Kurysz to accept the recommendation of Hancock Engineering to accept the low bid from Crowley Sheppard for the CDBG Grant the reconstruction of 87th Place.

Roll call, the vote was:

AYES: (9) Aldermen, Walsh, Touchie, Finnegan, Zak, Barnhouse, Banasiak, Kurysz, Grochowski and Reynolds.

NAYS: (0)

ABSENT: (1) Alderman Carmody

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

WATER AND SEWER COMMITTEE

Alderman Thomas Carmody Chairman, absent.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Alderman Robert Reynolds Chairman no report. Mayor Casey stated the Park project is moving along quickly, the curbs are in and the turf is next. Weather permitting we are still looking at mid-June as a completion date. Alderman Barnhouse asked if the sewer issue is being addressed and he was assured it was.

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 no report.

REPORTS FROM SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Library: Alderman Grochowski, the next Board Meeting is June 6, 2017 at 7:30.

Legislation: Alderman Spencer Touchie, Chairman reported on SB 1033 which the IML opposes.

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**

Special
Events: Alderman Grochowski had no report.

Health, Welfare and
Community Events: Alderman Grochowski reported on upcoming events and wished all our graduates Congratulations. Alderman Touchie thanked everyone for their thoughts and prayers for his daughter and his father. Mayor Casey stated Memorial Day the VFW will have a ceremony at the Veteran's Memorial at 11:00 am and Congressman Daniel Lipinski will be attending.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Mayor Casey asked the Code and Ordinance Committee to meet and go over the proposed Fire Pit Ordinance and bring a recommendation back to the City Council. Alderman Touchie stated he was unavailable so Alderman Finnegan stated he would meet in Alderman Touchie's place. The meeting was called for Tuesday May 30th at 8:00 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS: NONE

CITIZEN'S HEARING: Andrew Roti of 8931 Beck Place asked how much animal license cost. He was advised they were \$10.00.

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 8:30 pm

Mary Jo C. Hacker, City Clerk