

**CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HOMETOWN
JOURNAL OF THE PROCEEDINGS
June 26, 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, June 26, 2018 at 8:00 P.M.

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

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

Also present: Michael Cainkar, City Attorney

Absent: Alderman Touchie

Press: Gregory Smith, Hometown Hi-Lites.

Journal June 12, 2018 Moved by Alderman Kurysz seconded by Alderman Finnegan to approve as published the Journal of June 12, 2018 regular City Council Meeting.

Roll call, the vote was:

AYES: (8) Aldermen Kurysz, Banasiak, Reynolds, Finnegan, Walsh and Kurysz
Scheckel and Grochowski.

NAYS: (0)

ABSENT: (1) Alderman Touchie

ABSTENSION: (1) Alderman Barnhouse

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

CITIZEN'S HEARING

NONE

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Office of the Mayor

Mayor Casey reported that Gary Winer is no longer Police Chief. Due to ordinance changes, the Mayor and City Council do the hiring/dismissing of Chiefs. The Training Board would not approve Gary holding the position of Police Chief unless he completed the PT Police Academy and the FT academy which he was not ready to do. Consequently he could not fulfill the contract we signed with him.

Confirm Chief Removal: Moved by Alderman Finnegan, seconded by Alderman Walsh to confirm the removal of Gary Winer as Police Chief as of June 12, 2018.

Roll call, the vote was:

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

NAYS: (0)

ABSENT: (1) Alderman Touchie

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

Mayor Casey called for a Special Meeting on July 2, 2018 at 8:00 p.m. to appoint Lou Dominguez to the position of Chief of Police. Lou has worked for our department for four years and is well respected in the Police Community. Mayor Casey stated he approached Lou another time for the Chief's position and he was not ready. Things in his life have changed and the timing was right. He asked if we could do the appointment/swearing in on Monday because he is a family first man and his son who is in the military will be home then and he would like his son to be at the meeting.

Alderman Finnegan stated after meeting with Lou he has his full support.

Office of the City Clerk:

Clerk Hacker stated with the Treasurer’s absence she would like to remind everyone that they have the Appropriation Ordinance to review and direct any questions to the Treasurer’s Office.

Office of the Treasurer:

City Treasurer Salvatore Roti was absent.

REPORTS FROM CITY APPOINTED OFFICIAL

City Attorney: Beth Attard, no report.

Police: Police Chief

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 June 26, 2018 Moved by Alderman Banasiak seconded by Alderman Reynolds to approve for payment the accounts payable vouchers in the amount of \$118,847.30 and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$47,477.34 for a total expenditure of \$166,324.64
Roll call, the vote was:

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

NAYS: (0)

ABSENT: (1) Alderman Touchie

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

STREETS, SIDEWALKS AND MUNICIPAL BUILDING COMMITTEE

Alderman Glen Zak, Chairman had no report.

WATER AND SEWER COMMITTEE

Alderman Scheckel, Chairman was had no report.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Alderman Robert Reynolds Chairman reported the Thunderbolts game is Saturday, it is Star Wars night and fireworks. July 7th is the Mayors Park dedication and the shades are up.

BUILDING COMMITTEE

Alderman Brian Barnhouse, Chairman

LICENSE COMMITTEE:

Alderman Donna Grochowski, Chairman reported Vehicle Stickers and Animal Tags will be on sale until June 29, 2018 for the regular price, the price doubles as of June 29.

CODE AND ORDINANCE COMMITTEE:

Alderman Robert 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

Aldermen Frank Finnegan, Chairman had no report.

REPORTS FROM SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Library: Alderman Grochowski Liaison reported the board will meet July 11, 2018 at 7:30 p.m.

Legislation: Alderman Spencer Touchie, Chairman

Fire Department: Alderman Daniel Walsh, Liaison gave the monthly report.

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

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

ORD. NO. 11-2018: Moved by Alderman Banasiak seconded by Alderman Finnegan to approve Ordinance No. 11-2018, An Ordinance of the City of Hometown making a determination of the prevailing wage.

Roll call, the vote was:

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

NAYS: (0)

ABSENT: (1) Alderman Touchie

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

SPECIAL

EVENTS: Alderman Grochowski reminded everyone that the Cook County Rabies will be at OLL June 27 from 10:00 am to 2:45 p.m.

HEALTH, WELFARE AND

COMMUNITY EVENTS: Alderman Grochowski reported on upcoming events.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS: Alderman Banasiak asked about the 4th of July and police responding to fireworks calls. Mayor Casey stated he will have a talk with the PD as he does every year regarding this issue.

CITIZEN'S HEARING:

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

MOTION STATED CARRIED
The meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm

Mary Jo C. Hacker, City Clerk