

**CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HOMETOWN  
JOURNAL OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
October 9, 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, October 9, 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 Kurysz, Smith, Walsh, Grochowski, Touchie, Barnhouse, Zak and Banasiak.

Absent: Aldermen Finnegan and Reynolds.

Also present: Elizabeth Attard, City Attorney, Louis Dominguez, Chief of Police, 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 September 25, 2018: Moved by Alderman Reynolds, seconded by Alderman Barnhouse to approve as published the Journal of September 25, 2018 Regular City Council Meeting.

Roll Call Indicated:

AYES: (7) Aldermen Kurysz, Zak, Banasiak, Smith, Grochowski, Walsh and Barnhouse.

NAYS: (0)

ABSENT: (2) Aldermen Finnegan and Reynolds

ABSTENSION: (1) Alderman Touchie

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

**CITIZEN’S HEARING**

NONE

**REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

**Office of the Mayor:**

Mayor Casey stated we have to set the Trick or Treat hours. After discussion it was decided that the hours for Trick or Treat will be 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.

**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 July 2018 was in the amount of \$16,878.38. The amount collected in the month of July 2017 was in the amount of \$15,170.62.

Clerk Hacker reported that her office received notification from the Department of Transportation that the MFT collected in the month of July 2018 was in the amount of \$9,506.79. The amount collected in the month of July 2017 was in the amount of \$9,495.27.

**Office of the Treasurer:**

Treasurer Roti stated everything is going great. The Auditor is in and the annual audit is ongoing.

**REPORTS FROM CITY APPOINTED OFFICIAL**

City Attorney: Elizabeth Attard, City Attorney had no report.

Police: Louis Dominguez, Chief of Police reported there were 213 Complaints, 178 P Tickets issued, 49 State tickets issued and 5 Local Ordinance Tickets issued.

Public Works: Mark Trlak, Director stated they are doing routine tasks. Sidewalk Replacement program will begin Monday, weather permitting. There will be one final branch pick –up on October 29. Alderman Banasiak asked what construction was taking place at 90<sup>th</sup> Place and Pulaski. Director Trlak stated Nicor is putting in a new 8” Gas main.

Building Dept.: James Forbes, Building Commissioner had no report.

Public Health & Safety: Mike Ringbauer, Director of Public Health and Safety reported that he issued 7 tickets last month.

**REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES**  
**FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Accounts Payable and Payroll October 9, 2018: Moved by Alderman Touchie seconded by Alderman Banasiak to approve for payment the accounts payable vouchers in the amount of \$45,303.14 and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$69,548.30 for a total expenditure of \$114,851.44.

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

Roll Call Indicated:

AYES: (8) Aldermen Banasiak, Barnhouse, Walsh, Zak, Grochowski, Touchie  
Smith and Kurysz

NAYS: (0)

ABSENT: (2) Aldermen Finnegan and Reynolds,

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 Glen Zak, Chairman had no report.

**WATER AND SEWER COMMITTEE**

Alderman Smith, Chairman had no report.

**PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE**

Alderman Robert Reynolds, Chairman was absent. Mayor Casey stated the Fall Fest will be held on October 13 from Noon to 4:00 p.m.. There will be a Zoo Lights Bus Trip December 1 with the bus leaving the Shopping Center at 4:30 p. m.

**BUILDING COMMITTEE**

Alderman Barnhouse, Chairman gave the September Building Report and reminded everyone of the Zoning Board and Building Board of Appeals being held Wednesday, October 10, 2018.

**LICENSE COMMITTEE:** Alderman Donna Grochowski, Chairman asked if the City Clerk’s Office supplies a list to the PD of new renters/owners for tickets for no sticker. Clerk Hacker advised her we do not, new renters/owners are sent a welcome letter that covers tickets and the PD see new cars and watch them for the 30 day grace period.

**CODE AND ORDINANCE COMMITTEE:** Alderman Bob Reynolds, Chairman was absent.

**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 was absent.

**REPORTS FROM SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

**Library:** Alderman Grochowski stated the Library is planning on doing something to recognize Ted Kramer for his 45 years of service on the Library Board. The Audit is complete and the Book Sale had a low turnout. The circulation for September 2017 was 694 for 2018 was 562. The Library also asked if the book drop could be painted.

**Legislation:** Alderman Spencer Touchie, Chairman reminded everyone there is an election soon.

**Fire Department:** Alderman Daniel Walsh gave the stats for September.

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

**PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS RESOLUTIONS, ORDERS AND ORDINANCES BY ALDERMEN**  
NONE

**Special Events:** Alderman Grochowski stated Breakfast with Santa will be held at OLL, details to follow.

**Health, Welfare & Community Awareness:** Alderman Grochowski reported on upcoming events. Chief Dominguez reported that 8 officers were a part of an active shooter exercise in Oak Lawn at the Metra Station. The Police Department also did a lock down drill at Hometown School.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** Alderman Barnhouse asked if there was a new Zoning Board Member yet. Mayor Casey stated he had someone and heard back from him today that due to family matters he could not take the position. Mayor Casey stated that we will have a quorum for the two hearings tomorrow.

**NEW BUSINESS:** NONE

**CITIZEN'S HEARING:** NONE

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

MOTION STATED CARRIED      The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm

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Mary Jo C. Hacker, City Clerk