

**Casey Regular City Council Meeting  
Casey Community Building  
January 4, 2024**

The Casey City Council held a regular meeting on Thursday, January 4, 2024. Mayor Nicholas Lindberg; Councilmembers Rick Richter, Rick Blake, Bret Wedemeyer and Leland Acker were present; also present were City Clerk Gwen Blass, and Public Works Director Jon Welker.

Mayor Lindberg called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. All rose to say the Pledge of Allegiance. Motion by Acker second by Wedemeyer to approve the agenda; Ayes – Richter, Wedemeyer, Acker, and Blake, Absent - Schiller. Motion by Wedemeyer second by Richter to approve the consent agenda including the, 12/4 and 12/13 minutes, December bills, bank reconciliation, and utility billing reconciliation; Ayes – Richter, Wedemeyer, Acker, and Blake, Absent - Schiller.

Motion by Wedemeyer second by Acker to approve Region 12 COG CDBG Exterior Home Improvement Program GAX #12-Final; Ayes – Richter, Wedemeyer, Acker, and Blake, Absent - Schiller.

Motion by Wedemeyer second by Blake to accept the 2024 contract for General Council, Meggen Weeks and Litigation council, James Rowe; Ayes – Richter, Wedemeyer, Acker, and Blake, Absent - Schiller.

Motion by Blake second by Acker to open Public Hearing for ordinance amendment #2024-01 – Junk Vehicles at 7:10 pm: Ayes – Richter, Wedemeyer, Acker, and Blake, Absent - Schiller. Richter asked for clarification on new code enforcement and fines. Lindberg stated fines are defined under the municipal infractions portion of the city code. Lindberg summarized the abatement process, stressing that houses are not seized for nuisance abatements unless it is abandoned or poses a threat to the community. No written comments were received. Motion by Wedemeyer second by Blake to close Public Hearing at 7:14 pm; Ayes – Richter, Wedemeyer, Acker, and Blake, Absent - Schiller.

Motion by Acker second by Wedemeyer to waive the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> readings for Ordinance #2024-01; Roll call vote: Ayes – Richter, Acker, Blake, and Wedemeyer, Absent – Schiller. Motion by Acker second by Blake to adopt Ordinance #2024-01 to amend portions of Title III Chapter 9 – Junk Vehicle Ordinance; Roll call vote: Ayes – Richter, Blake, Acker, and Wedemeyer, Absent Schiller.

Motion by Wedemeyer second by Blake to open Public Hearing for ordinance amendment #2024-02 – Nuisances at 7:22 pm: Ayes – Richter, Wedemeyer, Acker, and Blake, Absent - Schiller. No oral or written comments were received. Motion by Richter second by Acker to close Public Hearing at 7:23 pm; Ayes – Richter, Wedemeyer, Acker, and Blake, Absent - Schiller.

Motion by Wedemeyer second by Blake to waive the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> readings for Ordinance #2024-02; Roll call vote: Ayes – Richter, Acker, Blake, and Wedemeyer, Absent – Schiller. Motion by Wedemeyer second by Richter to adopt Ordinance #2024-02 to amend portions of Title III Chapter 2 - Nuisances Ordinance; Roll call vote: Ayes – Richter, Blake, Acker, and Wedemeyer, Absent Schiller.

Motion by Richter second by Wedemeyer to accept the IA DOT offer of City Bridge Funding – Federal FY2025 for the replacement of the Thomas St. Bridge; Ayes – Richter, Wedemeyer, Acker, and Blake, Absent - Schiller.

Blass provided a written clerks report and discussed donation of memorial benches. Council agreed to move the blue benches to another location and allow memorial benches to be placed by Veteran’s Park. Blass will contact Chris Davenport for a bid to tuck point & repair ramp at the Visitor Center. Wiremann Electric provided a bid of \$494.74 to install a flood light on the north side of the community building. Council reviewed bid and would like to go forward with installation.

Welker provided the public works report. Informed council that he is getting the snow equipment ready, wells are running smoothly and are maintaining adequate levels and is done hauling sludge.

Mayor Lindberg would like to appoint Leland Acker as Mayor Pro-Tem. Motion by Blake second by Wedemeyer to appoint Leland Acker to act as Mayor Pro-Tem; ayes – Wedemeyer, Richter, and Blake, Absent – Schiller, Abstain – Acker. Lindberg would like to appoint Rick Blake to act as Elected Official Alternate and Bret Wedemeyer as Secondary Alternate for the Emergency Management Commission. Motion by Acker second by Richter to approve appointments of Rick Blake as Elected Official Alternate and Bret Wedemeyer as Secondary Alternate for the EMA Commission; Ayes – Richter, Wedemeyer, Acker, and Blake, Absent - Schiller.

Motion by Richter second by Wedemeyer to approve Resolution #2024-01 Annual Appointments. Roll call vote: ayes – Wedemeyer, Acker, Richter and Blake, absent - Schiller.

Motion by Richter second by Schiller to approve Resolution #2024-02 Bank Depository Designation & Signatures. Roll call vote: ayes – Wedemeyer, Acker, Richter and Blake, absent – Schiller.

Motion by Acker second by Richter to approve Resolution #2024-03 to sell real property and set a public hearing date; Roll call vote: ayes – Wedemeyer, Acker, Richter and Blake, absent – Schiller.

Richter questioned budget amount and revenue for street repairs for next fiscal year.

No Public forum.

Motion by Wedemeyer second by Blake to adjourn at 8:22 pm; Ayes – Wedemeyer, Acker, Richter and Blake, absent – Schiller.

ATTEST:

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Nicholas Lindberg, Mayor

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Gwen Blass, City Clerk

December Claims

Salaries		\$ 10,105.00
IPERS		\$ 1,886.83
FICA	Federal Withholding	\$ 2,462.74
State of Iowa	State Withholding	\$ 266.59
Wellmark Health Ins.	Vision Ins.	\$ 12.78
IA Workforce Development	Unemployment	\$ 94.40
ACCO Unlimited	Chlorine	\$ 289.40
Acker, Leland	Cleaning	\$ 20.00
Agsourc Laboratories	Water/Swr Test	\$ 855.75
Alliant Energy	Utilities	\$ 4,079.16
Amazon	Paper/Supplies/Books	\$ 552.37
Becker, Leah	Mileage	\$ 39.30
Canon Financial Service	Copier Lease	\$ 93.91
Casey Mutual Telephone	Phone	\$ 273.90
Fagan Fencing	Water Locks	\$ 20.00
Foster, Kelly	UB Dep Refund	\$ 53.40
Frederick, Michael	Books	\$ 96.00
Grimes Asphalt & Paving	Cold Patch	\$ 741.00
Guthrie Automotive	Eq Mnt/Shop Supplies	\$ 181.54
Guthrie Co REC	Utilities	\$ 363.36
High Tide Technologies	Annl Comm Fee	\$ 400.00
I-80 Enterprises	Fuel Barrel Hose	\$ 84.99
IA Financial Authority	Swr Loan Payment	\$ 2,521.77
Kanopy Inc	Lib Movies	\$ 3.00
Midwest Office Tech	Copy Fees	\$ 81.74
Payment Srv Network	Annl Srv Fee	\$ 89.00
Petty Cash	Lib Program Supplies	\$ 58.80
Region XII COG	CDBG Draw #10	\$ 24,130.00
Richter, Rick	Water Line	\$ 27.61
Sun Life Ins	Life Ins	\$ 59.46
The Adair News	Publications	\$ 243.78
The Law Shop	Atty Fees	\$ 295.40
Treasurer, State of IA	WET & Sales Tax	\$ 1,624.72
US Postal Service	Box Rent	\$ 118.00
Utility Services	Standpipe	\$ 2,007.54
Visa	Postage/Boots	\$ 257.32
Wallace Auto	Battery	\$ 8.99
Weeks, Meggen	Atty Fees	\$ 374.00
Wellmark Health Ins.	Hlth Ins	\$ 6,422.85

<b>Totals By Fund</b>	<b>Revenue</b>	<b>Expenses</b>
General Fund	\$ 12,276.43	\$ 9,178.35
Library	\$ 146.45	\$ 2,024.12
Road Use	\$ 4,004.41	\$ 2,971.97
Employee Benefits	\$ 4,112.64	\$ 4,818.16
Emergency	\$ 172.16	\$
LOST – Streets	\$ 1,854.99	\$
LOST – Parks	\$ 1,854.99	\$
TIF	\$ 264.74	\$
Debt Service	\$ 1,840.41	\$
Capital Project-Housing Rehab	\$ 24,130.00	\$ 24,130.00
Water	\$ 10,038.99	\$ 8,528.17
Sewer	\$ 9,302.15	\$ 9,645.63

**2023 Wages**

Clair Richter	\$ 450.00
Nicholas Lindberg	\$ 2,400.00
Bret Wedemeyer	\$ 420.00
Timothy Knapp	\$ 39,494.96
Jon Welker	\$ 50,107.99
Gwen Blass	\$ 52,143.21
Leland Acker	\$ 480.00
Theresa Schiller	\$ 420.00
Richard Blake	\$ 330.00
Leah Becker	\$ 14,509.04