

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

The Casey City Council held a regular meeting on Monday, March 4, 2024. Mayor Nicholas Lindberg; Councilmembers Rick Richter, Rick Blake, and Leland Acker were present; also present were City Clerk Gwen Blass, and Public Works Director Jon Welker. Bret Wedemeyer arrived at 7:03 pm.

Mayor Lindberg called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. All rose to say the Pledge of Allegiance. Motion by Acker second by Blake to approve the agenda; Ayes – Richter, Acker, and Blake, Absent – Wedemeyer and Schiller. Motion by Richter second by Acker to approve the consent agenda including the, 2/5 minutes, February bills, bank reconciliation, and utility billing reconciliation; Ayes – Richter, Acker, and Blake, Absent – Wedemeyer and Schiller.

Motion by Blake second by Acker to approve Resolution #2024-06 to set date of the public hearing for the FY25 Property Tax Levy. Roll call vote: Ayes – Wedemeyer, Acker, Richter, and Blake. Absent - Schiller.

Candi Sovero presented photos of the damage to her car from hitting the broken manhole cover on McPherson St. Sovero would like the city's insurance to cover repairs. Council stated that Guthrie County insurance should cover damages since they are responsible for damaging the manhole and asked Sovero to get an estimate for repairs to be submitted for insurance. Motion by Blake second by Richter to submit an estimate to Guthrie Co. insurance for repairs to Candi Sovero's car; Ayes – Richter, Acker, Blake and Wedemeyer. Absent – Schiller.

Motion by Acker second by Wedemeyer to set Saturday, May 4th from 6:00 am to Noon for citywide cleanup day; Ayes – Richter, Acker, Blake and Wedemeyer. Absent – Schiller.

Motion by Wedemeyer second by Acker to hire K & A Removal LLC to provide roll off dumpsters at \$275.00 per dumpster for citywide cleanup day on May 4th; Ayes – Richter, Acker, Blake and Wedemeyer. Absent – Schiller.

Blass provided a written clerks report and informed council that State Auditors will begin FY23 audit this month. Blass reminded council that the property tax hearing will be on April 1 at 6:30 pm and regular meeting at 7:00 pm and a special meeting to approve the FY25 budget on April 22nd at 6:00 pm. IMFOA Spring training is set for April 17th – 19th. Motion by Wedemeyer second by Blake to allow Blass to attend Spring IMFOA training in Des Moines on April 17th – 19th; Ayes – Richter, Acker, Blake and Wedemeyer. Absent – Schiller.

Welker provided the public works report. Informed council that the sewer plant's portable PH tester needs to be replaced and provided an estimate. Motion by Wedemeyer second by Blake to purchase a new Portable PH Tester from Hach for \$1195.10; Ayes – Richter, Acker, Blake and Wedemeyer. Absent – Schiller. Welker provided information regarding a sewer line issue at Steve Edgington residence. Edgington is requesting that the City pay a portion of his bill from Sheldahl Plumbing due to finding a root ball in the sewer main near his sewer line connection. A written statement from Sheldahl Plumbing was provided stating that Edgington's sewer line had dropped and would need to be replaced. With the drop of the sewer connection and the root ball in the city's sewer main, it caused the sewer to back up. The City received a separate bill from Sheldahl Plumbing for the removal of the root ball. Council stated that property owners are responsible for the sewer line from their house to the sewer main. Motion by Richter second by Wedemeyer to not pay any of Steve Edgington's sewer repair invoice; Ayes – Richter, Acker, Blake and Wedemeyer. Absent – Schiller. Welker reported water level of Well #4 has dropped and that the manhole repair estimate from Caliber Concrete was sent to Guthrie Co. Engineer.

Mayor Lindberg informed the council that the City Attorney has cited Doherty on 4 dog issue violations and will go to trial once she is served notice. A park committee update was given.

Dwayne Heckman asked for a variance for a new garage to replace existing garage using existing concrete pad. Council stated it would need to go to the Zoning Board for their decision.

Public forum – Dustin Hogueison and Cory Cose requested to have Casey host another Truck Show this June. Will provide confirmed dates at the April Council meeting. Brenda Dudley from Midwest Partnership invited Council and area businesses to attend the BizConnect meeting on April 4th. Dudley also requested a donation from Casey of \$1000 for White Pole Road painting expenses.

Alex Folley from Region 12 COG reviewed a draft of the Hazardous Mitigation Plan that needs renewed every five years with council. Several revisions were made and a final draft will be presented when completed in April.

Motion by Acker second by Blake to adjourn at 8:04 pm; Ayes – Richter, Acker, Blake and Wedemeyer. Absent – Schiller.

ATTEST:

Nicholas Lindberg, Mayor

Gwen Blass, City Clerk

February Claims		
Salaries		\$ 9,738.59
IPERS		\$ 1,923.09
FICA	Federal Withholding	\$ 2,445.71
State of Iowa	State Withholding	\$ 279.36
Wellmark Health Ins.	Vision Ins.	\$ 12.78
Acco Unlimited	Liq Chlorine	\$ 289.40
Acker, Leland	Cleaning	\$ 20.00
Adair Co. Landfill	Qtrly Landfill Fees	\$ 1,451.25
Agriland FS	Fuel	\$ 2,107.77
Agsourc Laboratories	Water/Swr Test	\$ 1,063.75
Alliant Energy	Utilities	\$ 4,973.96
Amazon	Supplies/Books	\$ 166.02
Anita Supply	Supplies	\$ 77.96
Caliber Concrete	Lib Steps	\$ 750.00
Casey Mutual Telephone	Phone	\$ 275.55
Guthrie Automotive	Tools	\$ 20.77
Guthrie Co Auditor	Election Expense	\$ 450.00
Guthrie Co REC	Utilities	\$ 487.93
Guthrie Co Recorder	Recording Fees	\$ 32.00
Jacobsen's Inc	Swr Plant Mnt	\$ 71.31
Midwest Office Tech	Copy Fees	\$ 32.04
Sheldahl Plumbing & Htg	Swr Line Rpr	\$ 115.00
Sun Life Ins	Life Ins	\$ 59.46
The Adair News	Publications	\$ 540.15
The Law Shop	Atty Fees	\$ 319.00
Treasurer, State of IA	WET Tax	\$ 570.52
US Postal Service	Postage	\$ 1,082.00
Viking Automatic Sprinkler	Annl Inspection	\$ 1,177.00
Visa	Software	\$ 31.88
Wallace Auto	Swr Plant Mnt	\$ 140.00
Weeks, Meggen	Atty Fees	\$ 220.00
Wellmark Health Ins.	Hlth Ins	\$ 6,422.85
	Annual Transfers	\$ 18,156.03

Totals By Fund	Revenue	Expenses
General Fund	\$ 10,588.29	\$ 24,981.33
Library	\$ 12,921.01	\$ 1,418.26
Road Use	\$ 3,423.91	\$ 3,179.27
Employee Benefits	\$ 165.44	\$ 4,712.49
Emergency	\$ 6.92	\$ 2,795.00
LOST – Streets	\$ 2,296.92	\$
LOST – Parks	\$ 2,296.91	\$
TIF	\$ 18.17	\$
FEMA #4421-Road	\$	\$ 1,796.71
FEMA #4557-Wind	\$	\$ 680.32
Debt Service	\$ 74.59	\$
Capital Project-Comm Bldg	\$	\$ 757.00
Water	\$ 10,467.03	\$ 7,696.23
Sewer	\$ 9,748.56	\$ 7,486.52