

Casey Regular City Council Meeting
Casey Community Building
July 3, 2023

The Casey City Council held a regular meeting on Monday, July 3, 2023, at the Casey Community Building. Mayor Nicholas Lindberg; Councilmembers Leland Acker, Rick Richter, Theresa Schiller, and Rick Blake; and Public Works Director Jon Welker were present.

Mayor Lindberg called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. All rose to say the pledge of allegiance. Motion by Acker second by Richter to approve the agenda; ayes – Richter, Wedemeyer, Schiller, and Acker, absent – Wedemeyer. Motion by Richter second by Schiller to approve the consent agenda including the 6-5-23 minutes, June bills, June utility billing reconciliation, and liquor licenses for Pioneer Pub and Casey Service Club; ayes – Richter, Schiller, Acker, and Blake, absent – Wedemeyer.

Tracy Stetzel and Rhonda Wall informed the council of the Library's desire to have Beth Rogers paint a mural on the short wall on the east side of the building. Motion by Schiller second by Acker to allow the Library Board to have a mural painted on the Library building; ayes – Richter, Schiller, Acker, and Blake, absent – Wedemeyer.

Stetzel also asked the council for permission to enter into an agreement with Whetstone Trust to build a bike rack on Whetstone's property. The agreement will be for \$1 until terminated by either party. Motion by Acker second by Schiller to allow the Library to enter into a land agreement with Whetstone Trust for placement of a bike rack pad on the south side of the Library; ayes – Richter, Schiller, Acker, and Blake, absent – Wedemeyer.

Rhonda Miller requested that the city add yellow paint to the top of the curbs in front of the Library; Public Works will do this. Miller also informed the Council of a leak around the southeast door of the Library; Welker will investigate and fix if able.

Bev Watson was inquired about the status of the removal of the medical trailer at 112 W. Grant. If the City is considering selling the lot, she is interested in placing a bidding. Lindberg informed Watson that the sale process would be determined later this year.

Clerk's Report was presented on paper.

Welker informed the Council of two bids to perform street repair work. The first bid was from Blacktop Services for \$79,974.68 and included 14 sections of repair work. The second bid was from Pearson Paving for \$36,800 and wasn't as detailed as the Council had requested. Council reviewed Blacktop Services quote and ruled out areas that either needed more work than was quoted or was capable of being fixed with cold patch. Motion by Acker second by Schiller to hire Blacktop Services to perform work areas 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 (specifically Baker Street from West 3rd to West 4th), 8, and 9; ayes – Richter, Schiller, Acker, and Blake, absent – Wedemeyer. Welker informed that the sewer plant pond was experiencing sludge chunks rising to the surface due to the summer heat and from years of not cleaning the bottom of the pond. Welker stressed that our sewer samples are within permit requirements. Welker received a recommendation to install a direct pipe from the plant to the discharge location, bypassing the pond, to allow the pond's bottom to be cleaned. Welker advised the Council to start planning to address the issue before it becomes a greater one.

Lindberg passed on a request from Clerk Blass to include her in the \$30/month phone stipend due to her receiving a large amount of work related calls on her personal phone. Motion by Schiller second by Blake to allow a \$30/month cell phone stipend; ayes – Richter, Schiller, Acker, and Blake, absent – Wedemeyer.

Lindberg informed the Council of a dog-on-dog attack between Carter Schildberg and Amy Reynold's dogs. Council felt no action by the City was necessary at this time as the parties involved had made a private agreement to address the damages. Lindberg advised the Council to consider updating the sewer ordinance for better clarity. Motion by Schiller second by Acker to begin the process of amending the wording of the Sewer Ordinance to better clarify the \$35.00 monthly sewer fee; ayes – Richter, Schiller, Acker, and Blake, absent – Wedemeyer.

Motion by Richter second by Schiller to close McPherson and Logan streets for Casey Fun Days; ayes – Richter, Schiller, Acker, and Blake, absent – Wedemeyer.

Motion by Schiller second by Acker to approve the annual contribution of \$500 to the Region 12 COG's Housing Trust Fund; ayes – Richter, Schiller, Acker, and Blake, absent – Wedemeyer.

Motion by Richter second by Acker to approve Region 12 COG CDBG Exterior Housing Rehabilitation GAX #7; ayes – Richter, Schiller, Acker, and Blake, absent – Wedemeyer.

Council revisited Community Center set-up charges. After some discussion, no action taken.

Motion by Acker second by Richter to bring to the table the Robert Zimmer property donation; ayes – Richter, Schiller, Acker, and Blake, absent – Wedemeyer. Richter informed the Council that he was unable to get Zimmer in contact with another party interested in buying the property. Motion by Richter second by Schiller to accept the donation of property located southeast of the railroad tracks from Robert Zimmer; ayes – Richter, Schiller, Acker, and Blake, absent – Wedemeyer.

Don Williams was present for Public Forum to discuss issues with his neighbor damaging the grass alley that runs north and south along the eastern portion of his property. Lindberg informed the Council that he had authorized Williams to use his trailer to block part of the alley to prevent further damage until July 31st on the condition of maintaining access to the alley for city and utility company use. Council was okay with this. Williams indicated his strong desire to have the alley abandoned or vacated. Lindberg advised him that the City can't take up the issue until a future meeting.

Motion by Schiller second by Richter to adjourn at 8:50 pm; ayes – Richter, Schiller, Acker, and Blake, absent – Wedemeyer.

ATTEST:

Nicholas Lindberg, Mayor

Leland Acker, Mayor Pro Tem

JUNE CLAIMS REPORT

Salaries		\$ 9,740.69
IPERS		\$ 1,858.57
FICA	Federal Withholding	\$ 2,402.52
State of Iowa	State Withholding	\$ 260.03
Wellmark Health Ins	Vision Insurance	\$ 12.78
IA Workforce Development	Unemployment	\$ 304.49
Acco Unlimited	Chemicals	\$ 391.40
Acker, Leland	Vst Ctr Cleaning	\$ 40.00
Adair Co Landfill	Citywide Cleanup	\$ 1,066.20
Adair Feed & Grain	Chemicals	\$ 126.50
Agsources Laboratories	Swr Test	\$ 168.25
Alliant Energy	Utilities	\$ 3,648.07
Amazon	Books/Supplies/Paint	\$ 1,498.82
Anita Supply Center	Paint	\$ 55.95
Calhoun-Burns & Assc	Eng Fees - Bridge	\$ 7,184.10
Caliber Concrete	Sidewalk Rpr	\$ 725.00
Canon Financial Service	Copier Lease	\$ 187.82
Carpenter, Rita	Wtr Deposit Refund	\$ 71.90
Casey Mutual Telephone	Phone	\$ 279.40
Co-Line Welding Inc	Basketball Backboard	\$ 910.00
Guthrie Co REC	Utilities	\$ 457.19
IA DNR	Operator Cert Rnwl	\$ 120.00
IA DOT	Street Signs	\$ 225.52
IA Finance Authority	Swr Bond Payment	\$ 18,185.06
IA League of Cities	Dues	\$ 454.00
Imperial Reliance	Gas	\$ 642.29
IMT Insurance	Bond Ins	\$ 342.00
Jacobsen's Inc	Wtr Line Rpr	\$ 430.91
Manufacturers Edge	High Srv Pump	\$ 3,536.93

Midwest Office Tech	Copy Fees	\$ 35.31
Miller Plumbing & Htg	Wtr Line & Furnace Rpr	\$ 999.02
Petty Cash	Postage/Supplies	\$ 115.67
Plaza Printer	Safety Uniforms	\$ 498.00
Region 12 COG	CDBG Sewer/Housing	\$ 20,555.00
Russell, Laura	Wtr Deposit Refund	\$ 71.90
Smith, Michael	Cleaning	\$ 157.50
Southwest IA Pest Control	Pest Control	\$ 168.00
Stuart True Value	Wasp Spray	\$ 28.65
Sun Life Ins	Life Ins	\$ 59.46
The Adair News	Publications	\$ 170.64
Treasurer, State of IA	Qtrly WET Tax	\$ 1,122.37
US Postal Service	Postage	\$ 1,083.00
Utility Service Co	Standpipe Tank	\$ 2,007.54
Visa	Supplies/Paint	\$ 356.86
Wall, Rhonda	Lib Program Supplies	\$ 48.78
Walsh Door & Security	Comm Bldg Keys	\$ 24.46
Weeks, Meggen	Atty Fees	\$ 198.00
Wellmark Health Ins.	Hlth Ins	\$ 6,422.85
Wex Bank	Gas	\$ 202.13
Annual Transfers	Interfund	\$ 13,500.00
Fund Totals	Revenue	Expenses
General Fund	\$ 4,883.22	\$ 10,495.65
Library	\$ 213.19	\$ 2,797.78
Road Use	\$ 5,132.67	\$ 2,926.09
Employee Benefits	\$ 503.93	\$ 4,903.58
Emergency	\$ 21.59	\$
LOST-Streets	\$ 2,004.72	\$
LOST-Parks	\$ 15,504.71	\$ 910.00
TIF	\$ 219.07	\$
Debt Service	\$ 244.77	\$
Capital Fund 303 Park Proj	\$	\$ 13,500.00
Capital Fund 305 Sewer	\$ 786.00	\$ 786.00
Capital Fund 307 Housing	\$ 19,769.00	\$ 19,769.00
Capital Fund 308 ARP	\$	\$ 10,721.03
Water	\$ 10,689.12	\$ 11,483.67
Sewer	\$ 9,755.07	\$ 24,714.93