

**CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HOMETOWN  
JOURNAL OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
January 26, 2021**

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, January 26, 2021 at 8:00 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance: The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Alderman Banasiak.

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

Absent: Aldermen Finnegan and Barnhouse.

Also present: Elizabeth Attard, City Attorney and Bonnie Gesiakowski, Director of Public Health and Safety.

Press: Kelly White, Hometown Hi-Lites.

Journal January 12, 2021 Moved by Alderman Kurysz, seconded by Alderman Reynolds to approve as published the Journal of January 12, 2021 regular City Council Meeting.  
Roll call, the vote was:

AYES: (7) Aldermen Banasiak, Zak, Grochowski, Kurysz, Beyer, Walsh, and Reynolds.

NAYS: (0)

ABSENT: (2) Aldermen Finnegan and Barnhouse.

ABSTENSION: (1) Alderman Smith

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

**CITIZEN’S HEARING**

NONE

**REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

**Office of the Mayor**

Mayor Casey commended the Public Works Department on how great the streets look after the snow. They have been constantly out working, they have one additional PT worker for snow plowing and luckily they have four trucks to get the job done. The Ghosien property has been sold, the closing is early March and all cars have to get moved prior to the closing, so we are already seeing the cars being moved. The Eco Clean Car Wash will be the new business on the property. There is nothing new on the church sale, gaming has opened up with the indoor dining opened by the State. There are three or four new business applications which include a hot dog place and wing place which will all include gaming so it is up to the State if they will approve them. Alderman Grochowski asked after how many inches of snow does the street parking ban go into effect. She was advised 2 inches.

**Office of the City Clerk:**

City Clerk Mary Jo C. Hacker had no report.

**Office of the Treasurer:**

City Treasurer Salvatore Roti reminded everyone the first Finance Committee meeting will be Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.

**REPORTS FROM CITY APPOINTED OFFICIAL**

City Attorney: Elizabeth Attard had no report.

Police: Louis Dominguez, Chief was not present. Mayor Casey reported that the Chief received a letter from the Burbank Police Department commending the Hometown Police Department for their work on the murder case that took place in Burbank, the HPD brought the suspect in. Mayor Casey stated that our Department has eight open investigations which are being worked constantly. Every call and every complaint is investigated fully now. Mayor Casey asked for thoughts and prayers for Officer Cesario, he recently lost his wife.

Public Works: Mark Trlak, Director was not present.

Building: James Forbes, Commissioner was not present.

Public Health & Safety: Director Bonnie Gesiakowski had no report.

**REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Accounts Payable and Payroll January 26, 2021 Moved by Alderman Christopher Beyer seconded by Alderman Banasiak to approve for payment the accounts payable vouchers in the amount of \$428,972.27 and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$58,804.43 for a total expenditure of \$487,776.70.

Roll call, the vote was:

AYES: (8) Aldermen Smith, Zak, Grochowski, Kurysz, Beyer, Banasiak, Walsh, and Reynolds.

NAYS: (0)

ABSENT: (2) Aldermen Finnegan and Barnhouse.

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

**STREETS, SIDEWALKS AND MUNICIPAL BUILDING COMMITTEE**

Alderman Glen Zak, Chairman, had no report.

**WATER AND SEWER COMMITTEE**

Alderman Daniel Walsh, Chairman had no report.

**PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE**

Alderman Robert Smith, Chairman had no report.

**BUILDING COMMITTEE**

Alderman Brian Barnhouse, Chairman was absent.

**LICENSE COMMITTEE:**

Alderman Donna Grochowski, Chairman had no report

**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**

Alderman Frank Finnegan, Chairman was absent.

**REPORTS FROM SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

Library: Alderman Grochowski, Liaison reported the next meeting will be February 3, 2021.

Legislation: Alderman Christopher Beyer had no report. Mayor Casey stated the only things happening is the Police Reform bill which the Governor has not signed and the bill is being tweaked.

Fire Department: Alderman Rick Banasiak, Liaison had no report.

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

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

ORD. No. 2-2021: ORDINANCE NO. 2-2021 Moved by Alderman Banasiak, seconded by Alderman Walsh to Approve Ordinance No. 2-2021. An Ordinance Amending Chapter 1, City Government, Article 4, City Council, Section 1.42, Regular Meetings, of the Municipal Code Of Hometown.

Roll call, the vote was:

AYES: (8) Aldermen Banasiak, Smith, Zak, Grochowski, Kurysz, Beyer, Walsh, and Reynolds.

NAYS: (0)

ABSENT: (2) Aldermen Finnegan and Barnhouse.

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

**SPECIAL**

**EVENTS:** Alderman Grochowski asked about possibly doing something for Easter. Mayor Casey stated we will do something.

**HEALTH, WELFARE & COMMUNITY EVENTS:** Alderman Grochowski reported the VFW is hosting an Italian Night February 27, St. Patrick’s Day Party March 13 and Penny Social March 28.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE**

**NEW BUSINESS: NONE**

**CITIZEN’S HEARING: NONE**

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion made by Alderman Walsh Seconded by Alderman Beyer to adjourn the regular meeting of the Hometown City Council.

MOTION STATED CARRIED  
The meeting adjourned at 8:17 pm

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Mary Jo C. Hacker, City Clerk