

**CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HOMETOWN
JOURNAL OF THE PROCEEDINGS
February 25, 2020**

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, February 25, 2020 at 8:00 P.M.

Pledge of The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Alderman Finnegan.

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

Also present: Elizabeth Attard, City Attorney, Louis Dominguez, Chief of Police and Bonnie Gesiakowski, Director of Public Health.

Press: Kelly White, Hometown Hi-Lites.
States Attorney Candidate Pfannkuche addressed the City Council.

Journal February 25, 2020 Moved by Alderman Kurysz seconded by Alderman Finnegan to approve as published the Journal of February 25, 2020 regular City Council Meeting.

Roll call, the vote was:

AYES: (8) Aldermen Walsh, Kurysz, Smith, Zak, Reynolds,
Barnhouse, Touchie and Finnegan.

NAYS: (0)

ABSENT: (2) Aldermen Grochowski and Banasiak.

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

CITIZEN’S HEARING

NONE

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Office of the Mayor

Mayor Casey stated he had nothing at this time.

Office of the City Clerk:

City Clerk Hacker reminded the officials to check their email boxes for the ethics statement they must submit.

Office of the Treasurer:

City Treasurer Salvatore Roti reminded everyone next Tuesday there will be a Committee of the Whole Meeting at 7:00 p.m. regarding the budget.

REPORTS FROM CITY APPOINTED OFFICIAL

City Attorney: Elizabeth Attard had no report.

Police: Louis Dominguez, Chief had no report.

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 February 25, 2019 Moved by Alderman Touchie seconded by Alderman Reynolds to approve for payment the accounts payable vouchers in the amount of \$80,990.54 and payroll vouchers in the amount of \$58,877.98 for a total expenditure of \$139,868.52.

Roll call, the vote was:

AYES: (8) Aldermen Walsh, Barnhouse, Kurysz, Smith, Zak, Reynolds, Touchie and Finnegan.

NAYS: (0)

ABSENT: (2) Aldermen Banasiak and Grochowski

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 had no report.

LICENSE COMMITTEE:

Alderman Donna Grochowski, Chairman was absent.

CODE AND ORDINANCE COMMITTEE:

Alderman Robert Reynolds, Chairman had no report.

INSURANCE COMMITTEE:

Alderman Rick Banasiak, Chairman was absent.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMITTEE:

Alderman Luci Kurysz, Chairman had no report.

POLICE COMMITTEE

Alderman Frank Finnegan, Chairman had no report.

REPORTS FROM SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Library: Alderman Grochowski, Liaison was absent.

Legislation: Alderman Spencer Touchie, Chairman reported on February 19 the budget was submitted in Springfield and it includes a 5% withholding of LGDF funds which is tied to a referendum in November. Mayor Casey stated the IML does a lot of work for us in Springfield. No updates on the Red Light Cameras.

Fire
Department: Alderman Rick Banasiak, Liaison was absent.

Personnel Mayor Kevin Casey, Chairman had no report.

Review:

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

Res. No. Moved by Alderman Finnegan, seconded by Alderman Reynolds to approve Resolution No.2-2020,
2-2020: A Resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to sign all the necessary documents to complete
the application process requesting \$330,000.00 for the resurfacing of Beck Place from Kostner to
Duffy from the Cook County CDBG Grant program.

Roll call, the vote was:

AYES: (8) Aldermen Walsh, Barnhouse, Kurysz, Smith, Zak, Reynolds,
Touchie and Finnegan

NAYS: (0)

ABSENT: (2) Aldermen Banasiak and Grochowski

MOTION DECLARED CARRIED

SPECIAL Alderman Grochowski was absent.

EVENTS:

HEALTH, WELFARE & COMMUNITY EVENTS: Alderman Grochowski was absent.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS: Mayor Casey stated there are some new businesses opening at the Shopping Center, Five Star Furniture, Sure Staff and GiGi’s gaming. The Car Wash deal is still moving along slowly and we should hear on May 1st if anyone interested in a dispensary in Hometown is granted a license from the State.

CITIZEN’S HEARING: NONE

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

MOTION STATED CARRIED
The meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm

Mary Jo C. Hacker, City Clerk