

**Casey Regular City Council Meeting
Casey Community Building
May 2, 2022**

The Casey City Council held a regular meeting on Monday, May 2, 2022, at the Casey Community Building. Mayor Nicholas Lindberg; Councilmembers Theresa Schiller, Rick Richter, Rick Blake, and Leland Acker; City Clerk Gwen Blass, Public Works Director Jon Welker, and Tim Knapp were present. Bret Wedemeyer arrived at 7:05 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 Richter to approve the agenda; ayes – Richter, Blake, Schiller and Acker, absent – Wedemeyer. Motion by Richter second by Blake to approve the consent agenda including the 4/4/22 minutes, April bills, bank reconciliation, and utility billing reconciliation; ayes – Schiller, Richter, Blake and Acker, absent – Wedemeyer.

Motion by Acker second by Blake to open the public hearing regarding the Status of Funded Activities (SOFA) for Casey Wastewater CDBG Project at 7:03 pm; ayes - Richter, Schiller, Blake, and Acker, absent – Wedemeyer. A public hearing was opened at 7:03 p.m. on Monday, May 2, 2022 at the Casey City Hall, 104 W Sherman, Casey, IA 50048 by Mayor Lindberg to provide interested persons with the opportunity to be heard and have their opinions made known on the Wastewater System Improvement project that is underway. This project was funded in part through a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) from the Iowa Economic Development Authority. Pursuant to the citizen participation requirements of Section 508 of the Housing Act of 1987, as amended, Casey, IA as a recipient of CDBG funds must hold a public hearing on the status of its funded activity. During the course of the public hearing a review of the following was presented:

Wastewater system improvements. This project will make improvements to the city's sanitary sewer collection system.

To date, \$195,655.52 has been expended, of which \$87,649.00 has been requested from CDBG.

The project is approximately 10% complete.

The CDBG budget, scope of work and location has not changed since the project application was submitted. The City is eligible for CDBG funds as at least 51% of beneficiaries are low and moderate income according to American Community Survey. Documents are available from the City of Casey. No written or oral comments were received. Motion by Schiller second by Richter to close the public hearing at 7:05 pm; all ayes. The public hearing was closed at 7:05 PM.

Blass provided a written clerks report including utility billing and city financials. Blass reported Casey received \$2000 from the Schildberg Foundation Grant for the Casey Flower Committee to purchase new flower pots, title transfers have been filed with IA DOT for CWT Fire equipment, and IA DNR inspected 200 W Grant St property and determined it could not be burned due to possible asbestos and gave approval for house to be demolished and removed, Tom Fagan will demolish the house for approximately \$200, there is also an interested party in the property. Solutions setup the ACA laptops and noted that we would need a router with VPN to network the laptops to city computers, Zach provided a quote for router and installation. Motion by Wedemeyer second by Blake to allow Solutions to install a Mikrotik router for internal network; all ayes.

Welker provided the public works report, informing the council that Visu-sewer has a large portion of sewer lining done. Excess amounts of rain water is still coming into sewer plant, next step will be to see if sump pumps are going into the sewer lines. Grinder installation is complete and there is a large intake pipe leaking at the sewer plant that needs repaired. Jon is working on getting a contractor to give a cost estimate and complete the repair.

Mayor Lindberg informed council that he has started taking photos of several nuisance properties, attended CWT Fire Board meeting discussing purchase of new fire truck, Landfill will be raising the cost per capita for Landfill use and that Fagan will do demolition of 200 W Grants St. and can start process to sell property with sealed bids. Motion by Richter second by Wedemeyer to hire Tom Fagan to demolish house at 200 W Grant St. for \$200; all ayes.

Motion by Acker second by Wedemeyer to approve Resolution #2022-12 Librarian Patricia McKinley Employee Hire; Roll call vote: Ayes – Richter, Blake, Schiller, Acker, and Wedemeyer. Nays – None. Absent – None. Motion carried.

Motion by Wedemeyer second by Richter to give Calhoun and Burns authorization to provide services to assist in the bridge audit findings and attend field inspections during audit for the City of Casey; all ayes.

FY23 annual cost of living employee compensation was discussed. Motion by Acker second by Wedemeyer to give a 3% cost of living raise effective July 1, 2022 to Welker, Knapp and Blass; ayes – Wedemeyer, Schiller, Blake and Acker; nays – Richter.

Motion by Wedemeyer second by Schiller to approve appointment of Diane Scholl to fill the vacancy of library board member; all ayes.

Motion by Wedemeyer second by Blake to allow the placement of a directory sign on the NE corner of the railroad park in Casey; all ayes.

Motion by Richter second by Blake to allow the property class of the Heritage Building owned by Conrad Ventures to be changed from a dual class of residential and commercial to a class of commercial only; all ayes.

Motion by Wedemeyer second by Acker to approve Pay Estimate #3 for the Wastewater Project of \$157,398.47 and change order #2 modifying grinder panel installation; all ayes.

No public forum.

Motion by Acker second by Wedemeyer to adjourn at 8:25 pm; all ayes.

ATTEST:

Nicholas Lindberg, Mayor

Gwen Blass, City Clerk

APRIL CLAIMS REPORT

Salaries		\$ 11,896.87
IPERS		\$ 2,506.39
FICA	Federal Withholding	\$ 3,249.96
State of Iowa	State Withholding	\$ 579.00
Collections Services	Child Support	\$ 415.38
ACCO Unlimited	Chlorine	\$ 233.80
Agsource Laboratories	Sewer Test	\$ 1,072.25
Alliant Energy	Utilities	\$ 4,221.69
Blass, Gwen	Mileage/meals	\$ 172.43
Canon Financial Srv	Copier Lease	\$ 118.91
Casey Mutual Telephone	Phone	\$ 273.13
Chesnut Signs	Clock Rpr	\$ 806.82
Crystal Clear Water	Water Test	\$ 19.00
Des Moines Winsupply	Well #7 Repairs	\$ 467.49
Dorsey & Whitney	Bond Atty Fees	\$ 6,000.00
Gateway Hotel	Lodging	\$ 399.84
Guthrie Automotive	Equip Rpr/Tools	\$ 303.80
Guthrie Co Environmental Hlth	E911 Sign	\$ 25.00
Guthrie Co REC	Utilities	\$ 315.73
Guthrie Co Recorder	Recording Fees	\$ 12.00
IMFOA	Dues/Fees	\$ 125.00
Junior Library Guild	Books/DVDs	\$ 183.00
Midwest Office Tech	Copy Fees	\$ 38.97
Petty Cash	Flyer Postage	\$ 16.40
Schildberg Construction	Rock	\$ 903.76
Smith, Michael	Cleaning	\$ 255.00
Southwest IA Pest Control	Pest Control	\$ 159.00
Stuart True Value	Supplies	\$ 11.28
Sun Life Ins	Life Ins	\$ 59.46
The Adair News	Publications	\$ 163.33
The Law Shop	Atty Fees	\$ 420.00
The Stuart Herald	Publications	\$ 48.00
Treasurer State of IA	Qtrly Tax	\$ 2,021.42
Veenstra & Kimm	Eng Fees	\$ 8,361.08
Visa	Supplies/Boot Allow	\$ 571.90
Wall, Randa	Lib Books	\$ 323.21
Weeks, Meggen	Atty Fees	\$ 340.00
Wellmark Health Ins.	Hlth Ins	\$ 5,753.34
Wex Bank	Gas	\$ 340.51

Fund Totals	Revenue	Expenses
General Fund	\$ 49,591.45	\$ 9,572.75
Library	\$ 6,445.63	\$ 1,092.40
Flower Comm Grant	\$ 2,000.00	\$
Road Use	\$ 4,980.13	\$ 4,477.91
Employee Benefits	\$ 31,586.28	\$ 5,310.82
Emergency	\$ 941.97	\$
LOST-Streets	\$ 1,477.21	\$
LOST-Parks	\$ 1,477.20	\$
TIF	\$ 9,823.92	\$
Debt Service	\$ 10,897.31	\$
Capital Project 301	\$	\$ 806.82
Capital Project 302	\$ 6,448.50	\$ 6,448.50
Capital Project 305	\$ 7,912.58	\$ 7,912.58
Water	\$ 10,532.59	\$ 9,310.14
Sewer	\$ 9,151.00	\$ 8,249.23