

**VILLAGE OF CASSOPOLIS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
February 5, 2018**

President Johnson and President Ward called the regular meeting of the Cassopolis Village Council and the Cassopolis Public Schools Board of Education to order at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call:

Council Members Present: Yoder, Parsons, Jackson-Ash, Johnson, Williams and Sims

Council Members Absent: Wagner

School Board Members Present: Ward, Horstmann, Cutting, Calvert, Binns, Deubner and Smego

School Board Members Absent:

Pledge of Allegiance was given in unison.

Opening Remarks (School Board President): The mission and vision statements were read.

Approval of Agenda (Board of Education): Calvert motioned, seconded by Binns to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion Carried.

Approval of Agenda (Village Council): Sims motioned, seconded by Williams to approve the agenda as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Parsons, Jackson-Ash, Johnson, Williams, Sims and Yoder

Nays:

Abstain:

Absent: Wagner

Motion Carried.

Approval of Minutes (Board of Education): Hortsmann motioned, seconded by Cutting to approve the minutes of January 22, 2018 as presented.

Motion Carried.

Approval of Minutes (Village Council): Yoder motioned, seconded by Parsons to approve the Regular Council minutes of January 8, 2018 and the Workshop minutes of January 22, 2018 as presented.

Motion Carried.

Superintendent's Report – Joint Presentation Dr. Angela Piazza & Emilie Sarratore

Village Manager Sarratore and School Superintendent Dr. Piazza presented upcoming plans for the school; which include new technology, a new curriculum and a student-led coffee shop in the Village.

New Business (Board of Education)

A. **Hire – FFA Coach:** Binns motioned, seconded by Calver to hire Daniel Deubner as the FFA Coach.

Motion Carried.

B. **Hire – Technical Director:** Smego motioned, seconded by Deubner to hire Steve Mammel as the Technical Director.

Motion Carried.

- C. Accept Donation for Junior High Robotics: Deubner motioned, seconded by Calvert to approve a \$5,000 donation from David Swallow on behalf of Creative Foam.

Motion Carried.

Old Business (Board of Education)

- A. Resolution Authorizing Election for Millage Renewal for Non-Homestead Properties: Smego motioned, seconded by Binns to approve the resolution as presented.

Motion Carried.

- B. Revised NEOLA Policies #5610 and 5610.01: Hortsmann motioned, seconded by Cutting to approve the policies as presented.

Motion Carried.

- C. New Tech Proposal: Cutting motioned, seconded by Calvert to approve the new tech program from grades K-12.

Motion Carried.

Department Reports (Village Council):

Clerk: See report.

Police/Code Enforcement: See report.

DPW Superintendent: See report.

Manager: See report.

Reports accepted as presented.

New Business (Village Council):

- A. Approval of Invoices: Yoder motioned, seconded by Williams to approve the invoices totaling \$66,630.82.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Jackson-Ash, Johnson, Williams, Sims and Yoder Parsons,

Nays:

Abstain:

Absent: Wagner

Motion Carried.

Old Business (Village Council):

- A. Approval of Amendment to Farm Land Lease (See Attachment 5): Williams motioned, seconded by Sims to approve the amendment to the farm lease as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Johnson, Williams, Sims, Yoder and Parsons Jackson-Ash,

Nays:

Abstain:

Absent: Wagner

Motion Carried.

Public Comments:

Cynthia Jackson-Ash was very pleased with the presentation and is interested in serving on the roundtable. She asked about the hard skills for students, the shop that was in the presentation and requested financial projections for this project.

Village Manager Sarratore informed Council member Jackson-Ash that there was a budget done for the grant application which included what it would cost to open and run the coffee shop. Any profits from the coffee shop would go toward student scholarships and the next project.

Dr. Piazza discussed the hard skills and explained it will be standards driven hands-on projects will include the things that they have learned.

Announcements:

- Next CAUA Meeting: February 20, 2018, 7:00 p.m.
- Next Village Council Workshop Meeting: February 26, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.
- Next Regular Village Council Meeting: March 12, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.
- Main Street Ice Fishing Tournament: February 10, 2018 at 5:30 a.m.
- Main Street Meetings are held monthly prior to Regular Council Meetings at 5:45 p.m.

Adjournment: President Johnson and President Ward declared the meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

David L. Johnson, Village President

Tonia Betty, Village Clerk