

2004**JEANNETTE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES****WEDNESDAY
May 12, 2004
6:40 P.M.**

ORDER: Mayor John J. Kistic called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Mark Clark, Michael J. Minyon, Jr., Robert Carter, Michael Cafasso, John J. Kistic.

ALSO

PRESENT: Ronald E. Dinsmore, City Clerk; Edward L. Antonacci, City Engineer; Gary A. Falatovich, City Solicitor; Jeffrey C. Stahl, Chief of Police; Diana Reitz, Community Development Coordinator; Sam A. Casino, Jr., Treasurer; Michael Bertolino, Fire Chief; George Lender, Code Enforcement Officer; Curt Elliott, City Foreman

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG

Moment of silence for Martha Petrill, a former City of Jeannette Secretary, who passed away on May 2, 2004.

AGENDA:

A motion was made by Cafasso and seconded by Carter to accept the agenda as presented.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Clark, Minyon, Carter, Cafasso, Kistic 5

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

MINUTES:

A motion was made by Clark and seconded by Minyon to accept the minutes of the April 14, 2004.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Clark, Minyon, Carter, Cafasso, Kistic 5

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

CITIZENS:

- Dorothy Good – Old Hill Road - (along with 3 additional residents) – problems with neighbors property with junk.
- Martin Schall – 814 Avenue – problem with towing and storage charges
- Ann Frye – 111 – 12th Street – Complaint about rain water from neighbor's house going on her property.
- Corey Hall – 910 Ellsworth Avenue – house at 911 Arlington Avenue – High grass – property in disrepair.

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COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Letter from Ascension Church regarding alley blocked off for festival.
2. Letter requesting curb cut for 1106 Elliot Street.
3. Letter requesting curb cut for 618 Clark Avenue.
4. Letter from Mercy Jeannette Hospital for Fire Department

OFFICER REPORTS:

A motion was made by Clark and seconded by Cafasso to accept and file the officer reports as presented.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Clark, Minyon, Carter, Cafasso, Kistic	5
NAY: None	0

The chair declared the motion carried.

BILLS:

A motion was made by Cafasso and seconded by Clark to pay all bills presented to Council that were approved by Staff or Department Heads on invoices.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Clark, Minyon, Carter, Cafasso, Kistic	5
NAY: None	0

The chair declared the motion carried.

BILLS PRESENTED TO COUNCIL FOR APPROVAL

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS – (Mayor John J. Kistic)

The Office Connection	942.42
Copier Corporation	99.01
Verizon Wireless	238.15
Norfolk Southern Corporation	144.42
Orange’s Auto Service	134.39
Computer Connections	861.15
The Jeannette Spirit	529.20
Penn State University	160.00
PA City Controllers Association	75.00
Monsour Medical Center	16.00
Purchase Power	71.62
BFMC, Inc.	7.50
Gary A. Falatovich, Atty.	4,976.27
Pitney Bowes	106.26
Laurel Ridge Bottling Company	24.00
Arch Wireless	167.34
Harrison City Office Machines	66.00
Flynn’s Tire Group	769.19
Fejes Signs	32.00
SSI Consulting Group	970.38
Ventura Communications	300.00
Maher Duessel Accounts	8,250.00
AT & T	<u>34.73</u>
TOTAL	18,975.03

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BILLS PRESENTED TO COUNCIL FOR APPROVAL (CONTINUED)

DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTS & FINANCE – (COUNCILMAN MICHAEL T. CAFASSO)

George Lender	105.75
Dutcheen O. Cameron, Court Reporter	75.00
The Jeannette Spirit	76.40
A.J. Press	90.00
Copier Corporation	50.73
Hampton Office Plus	60.78
Westmoreland County Tax Collectors Assoc.	<u>30.00</u>

TOTAL	488.66
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DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTS & FINANCE MISC. – (Councilman Michael T. Cafasso)

Nextel	193.62
FNIS Real Estate Tax Services	903.60
Centex Home Equity Co.	231.93
Fairbanks Capital Corp.	624.68
National City Mortgage	681.66
First America Real Estate Tax Service	<u>469.90</u>

TOTAL	3,105.39
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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY – (Councilman Robert M. Carter)

Premier Service, Inc.	307.97
Lander's Service	2,924.74
Arch Wireless	70.38
Mildred Clayton	18.00
AT & T	23.71
Chase Manhattan Bank	99.00
Fortunato's Service & Repair, Inc.	422.98
Murray Automotive Electric	62.50
RDJ Specialties, Inc.	435.85
Randy Dubich	353.25
Joe Roadman	32.00
Meditronic Physio Control	187.00
Vincent Izzo, Jr.	32.00
National Medal of Honor, Inc.	169.80
Verizon Wireless	<u>284.32</u>

TOTAL	5,423.50
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DEPARTMENT OF STREETS & IMPROVEMENTS – (Councilman Mark L. Clark)

Lander's Service, Inc.	160.00
Verizon Wireless	143.55
Arlington Mower	37.49
Advanced Auto Parts	11.98
Duncan True Value	29.28
Disco Products	44.00
Vik-Kel Corp.	375.00
Culverts, Inc.	556.00
Murray Automotive Electric	268.09
Pitt Industrial Diamond Products, Inc.	84.25
Lowe's Home Improvement	250.28

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Continued

D.P. Thomas Welding	40.00
Rentokil Pest Control	54.96
J & M Machinery Co., Inc.	132.84
Penn Oxygen Company	28.44
Pennsylvania One Call System, Inc.	43.40
Carquest Auto Parts Stores	5.18
The Office Connection	54.87
Thomas Byerly	38.00
West End Builders Supply Co., Inc.	327.50
Penn Pipe	96.20
James Cox Company, Inc.	230.00
Antonacci & Associates	<u>1,000.00</u>
TOTAL	4,010.31

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS & BUILDINGS – (Councilman Michael J. Minyon)

RCW, Inc.	1,264.83
Laurel Ridge Bottling Company	73.00
Unifirst Corp.	46.42
Disco Products	79.00
Rentokil Pest Control	72.98
Peretto's Window Cleaning	<u>180.00</u>
TOTAL	1,716.23

MORE THAN ONE DEPARTMENT

CitiCapital	335.89
Spino's Tire Service	1,212.24
PA Automated Services, Inc.	825.00
Jon Robinson Electric	2,746.93
Harris Computers	<u>584.38</u>
TOTAL	5,704.44

LIQUID FUELS

Heilman Pavement Specialties, Inc.	359.84
James M. Cox Company, Inc.	742.00
Culverts, Inc.	<u>556.00</u>
TOTAL	1,657.84

PARKING METER ACCOUNT

Parking Meters and Related Accessories	754.50
CTR Payroll, Inc.	<u>361.21</u>
TOTAL	1,115.71

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RECYCLING CENTER GRANT

Scott Electric	335.55
Danmar Contracting Inc.	390.00
James M. Cox Company, Inc.	630.00
Pittsburgh Plumbing & Heating Supply	279.34
Donnelly's Plumbing	800.00
Penn Pipe	548.46
Shoff Construction & Design	2,452.50
Antonacci & Associates	<u>8,553.91</u>
TOTAL	13,989.76

ALLEY GRANT ACCOUNT

Commercial Aggregates Transportation	79.00
Hanson	<u>339.51</u>
TOTAL	418.51

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Gary Falatovich, Attorney	741.00
City of Jeannette – General Fund	29,479.47
Lutterman Excavating & Landscaping	25,990.00
Copier Corporation of America	55.52
Laurel Highlands Fence Company, Inc.	9,435.00
The Office Connection	157.46
Urban Design Ventures, LLC	1,250.00
Famous Enterprises (Myers Field)	90.03
Irwin Photo Lab	21.40
City of Jeannette – First Time Homebuyer Program	<u>1,344.88</u>
TOTAL	\$ 68,564.76

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Mr. Clark:

- Congratulate all who received honorable awards prior to tonite's meeting.
- Report on 2003 Paving Project.
- Report on storm lines and repair of catch basins.
- Report on grass cutting.

Mr. Minyon:

- Thanked everyone involved in the fire.
- Report on the new Myers School Field.
- Report on the \$65,000 grant for a multi-purpose building.
- Report on the Recreation Summer Program.
- Report on the opening day of JBA.

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Mr. Carter:

- Sanitation Department running well and the One Large Item pickup.
- Report on the progress of the new Recycling Center.
- Congratulations to all emergency personnel for all their efforts.
- Report on the garbage bags.

Mr. Cafasso:

- Report on the progress of the 2004 Budget.
- Congratulations to all who helped on Dithridge Street.

Mr. Kistic:

- Report on the new codes.
- Watch for children when driving.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- A motion was made by Minyon and seconded by Cafasso to adopt Bill No. 04-02 as **Ordinance No. 04-03:**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JEANNETTE, WESTMORELAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 96-8, AND THE BOCA NATIONAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE, 1996 ADDITION, TO IMPLEMENT PROCEDURES FOR THE REMOVAL OF FURNITURE DESIGNED, MANUFACTURED, SOLD OR INTENDED SOLELY FOR INDOOR USE THAT IS STORED ON THE EXTERIOR OF PREMISES WITHIN THE CITY OF JEANNETTE.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Clark, Minyon, Carter, Cafasso, Kistic	5
NAY: None	0

The chair declared the motion carried.

- A motion was made by Clark and seconded by Cafasso to adopt Bill No. 04-03 as **Ordinance 04-04:**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JEANNETTE, WESTMORELAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA VACATING A PORTION OF SELLERS AVENUE IN WHERE SAME INTERSECTS WITH STATE HIGHWAY ROUTE 130.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Clark, Minyon, Carter, Cafasso, Kistic 5
 NAY: None 0
 The chair declared the motion carried.

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NEW BUSINESS:

- Motion was made by Cafasso and seconded by Minyon to approve 1st Time Homebuyer Application #15.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Clark, Minyon, Carter, Cafasso, Kistic 5
 NAY: None 0
 The chair declared the motion carried.

- Motion was made by Carter and seconded by Clark to approve the agreement for the demolition of 100 Chestnut Street in the amount of \$5,150.00 to Dale Lutterman D/B/A Lutterman Excavating.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Clark, Minyon, Carter, Cafasso, Kistic 5
 NAY: None 0
 The chair declared the motion carried.

- Motion was made by Clark and seconded by Carter to direct Community Development Coordinator to advertise for demolition bids.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Clark, Minyon, Carter, Cafasso, Kistic 5
 NAY: None 0
 The chair declared the motion carried.

- Motion was made by Clark and seconded by Minyon to grant permission to the Church of the Ascension to block off the alley coming off Mill Street for the Annual Italian Festival on July 10 and July 11, 2004.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Clark, Minyon, Carter, Cafasso, Kistic 5
 NAY: None 0
 The chair declared the motion carried.

- Motion was made by Clark and seconded by Cafasso to grant permission to Jason Veverka to cut the curb at 1106 Elliott Street pending the approval of Code Enforcement Officer George Lender and City Engineer Edward Antonacci.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Clark, Minyon, Carter, Cafasso, Kistic 5
 NAY: None 0
 The chair declared the motion carried.

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- Motion was made by Clark and seconded by Cafasso to grant permission to Donald and JoAnn Bigi to cut the curb at 618 Clark Avenue pending the approval of Code Enforcement Officer George Lender and City Engineer Edward Antonacci.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Clark, Minyon, Carter, Cafasso, Kistic	5
NAY: None	0

The chair declared the motion carried.

- Motion was made by Clark and seconded by Minyon to approve the purchase of a 1996 Ford Lawn Tractor, Model No. CM274 in a joint venture with the City of Jeannette Recreation Commission. Total Cost of Tractor and 72 inch Cutting Deck set at \$6,500.00, with a cost to the City of \$3,250.00.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Clark, Minyon, Carter, Cafasso, Kistic	5
NAY: None	0

The chair declared the motion carried.

- Motion was made by Minyon and seconded by Cafasso to conduct the first reading of Bill No. 04-04:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JEANNETTE, WESTMORELAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA ADOPTING AND IMPLEMENTING THE UNIFORM CONSTRUCTION CODE WITHIN THE CITY OF JEANNETTE, "OPTING IN" TO THE ENFORCEMENT THEREOF, SETTING FORTH THE MANNER IN WHICH SUCH ORDINANCE IS TO BE APPLIED WITHIN THE CITY, PROVIDING A SCHEDULE OF FEES FOR INSPECTIONS AND PERMITS THEREUNDER, PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF, AND REPEALING ALL OTHER ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT THEREWITH.

Held over according to law.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Clark, Minyon, Carter, Cafasso, Kistic	5
NAY: None	0

The chair declared the motion carried.

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- Motion was made by Clark and seconded by Cafasso to conduct the first reading of Bill No. 04-05:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JEANNETTE, WESTMORELAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 97-3, TO PROVIDE PROCEDURES FOR THE ISSUANCE OF HANDICAPPED PARKING SPACES ON PUBLIC STREETS WITHIN THE CITY OF JEANNETTE, WESTMORELAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

Held over according to law.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Clark, Minyon, Carter, Cafasso, Kistic	5
NAY: None	0

The chair declared the motion carried.

- Motion was made by Minyon and seconded by Carter to conduct the first reading of Bill No. 04-06:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JEANNETTE, WESTMORELAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, REGULATING THE RESPONSIBILITY OF RENTAL PROPERTY COMPLIANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA AND LOCAL ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR A SYSTEM OF INSPECTIONS, THE ISSUANCE AND RENEWAL OF OCCUPANCY LICENSES AND ESTABLISHING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF.

Held over according to law.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Clark, Minyon, Carter, Cafasso, Kistic	5
NAY: None	0

The chair declared the motion carried.

- A motion was made by Carter and seconded by Minyon to deny consent to the transfer of lots at 200, 202, 212 and 222 Chestnut Street from the Westmoreland County Tax Claim Bureau Unsold Property Repository to Dale Shaw and directing the City Solicitor to send correspondence to the Director of the Westmoreland County Tax Office communicating such denial.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Clark, Minyon, Carter, Cafasso, Kistic	5
NAY: None	0

The chair declared the motion carried.

- A motion was made by Cafasso and seconded by Carter to appoint Edward Antonacci as City Engineer for a four (4) year term pursuant to the terms of the Third Class City Code.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Clark, Minyon, Carter, Cafasso, Kistic 5
NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

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NEW BUSINESS (continued):

- A motion was made by Cafasso and seconded by Carter to appoint Gary Falatovich as City Solicitor for a four (4) year term pursuant to the terms of the Third Class City Code.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Clark, Minyon, Carter, Cafasso, Kistic 5
NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

- A motion was made by Clark and seconded by Cafasso to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Clark, Minyon, Carter, Cafasso, Kistic 5
NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

City Clerk