

**JEANNETTE CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
MINUTES**

**WEDNESDAY  
September 14, 2005  
6:34 P.M.**

**ORDER:** Mayor Michael Cafasso called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** Michael J. Minyon, Jr., Charles R. Highlands, Robert Carter, Mark Clark,  
Michael Cafasso

**ABSENT WITH CAUSE:** Robert Carter

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

**ABSENT WITH CAUSE:** Curt Elliott, Sam Casino

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG**

**AGENDA:**

A motion was made by Clark and seconded by Highlands to accept the agenda as presented.  
A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Minyon, Highlands, Clark, Cafasso	4
NAY: None	0

The chair declared the motion carried.

**MINUTES:**

A motion was made by Clark and seconded by Highlands to accept the minutes of the  
August 10, 2005  
A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Minyon, Highlands, Clark, Cafasso	4
NAY: None	0

The chair declared the motion carried.

**CITIZENS:**

- Eric Leydig – 520 North 8<sup>th</sup> Street – wants speed limit signs in the alley behind his house.  
Children at play signs.
- Philip Answine – Second Street – Question on delinquent taxes and sewage.
- Joan Fresch – 328-1/2 North First Street – Weeds, grass not cut, dead birds rotting in the  
streets. Alley behind First Street is bad – scratched car from weeds.
- Veryl Ghrist – Problem with property owned by Schade-questions on demolition.
- Pam Kochella – Gaskill Avenue – concerned with landlords taking advantage of no code  
enforcement officer.
- Edward Galando – 712 Highland Avenue – question on Lowry Avenue Project
- Mary Regina – Greenwood Street – questions on building fires.

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**COMMUNICATIONS:**

1. Letter requesting position on Recreation Board – Rusnock
2. Letter requesting curb cut at 726 Alwine Street
3. Letter from Westmoreland Human Opportunities regarding property on Chestnut Street.
4. Letter requesting curb cut and other changes to be made at Arlington Sportsmans Club.
5. Letter from Jeannette Recreation requesting dated for Halloween Parade.
6. Letter of thanks to Officer Cavaliere from Elliott Credit Union.

**OFFICER REPORTS:**

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

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Minyon, Highlands, Clark, Cafasso 4

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

**BILLS:**

A motion was made by Minyon 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: Minyon, Highlands, Clark, Cafasso 4

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

**BILLS PRESENTED TO COUNCIL FOR APPROVAL**

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS – (Mayor Michael T. Cafasso)**

West Penn Cardiology Assoc, P.C.	1,430.00
Orange's Auto Service	489.45
Pennsylvania Police Supply, Inc.	685.78
Computer Express	2,147.81
Verizon Wireless	200.89
Copier Corporation of America	83.20
Advanced Communications North	297.50
Robert Shaffer	315.00
The Office Connection	60.49
Hampton Office Plus	146.27
Duncan True Value	9.99
Thomas Byerly Locksmith	10.00
Cintas First Aid	40.05
Landers Service, Inc.	896.68
Laurel Ridge Bottling	28.00
The Jeannette Spirit	239.25
Monsour Medical Center	16.00
Fine Line Printing, Inc.	59.00
Comcast	19.99
Pitney Bowes	1,228.50
Gary Falatovich	7,661.52
Flynn's Tire	1,000.02
Municipal Code Service, LLC	<u>1,705.30</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>18,770.69</b>

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DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTS & FINANCE – (COUNCILMAN MICHAEL J. MINYON JR.)

Hampton Office Plus	134.04
Computer Express	499.99
Sam Casino, Treasurer	372.75
AJ Press	96.00
PA State Tax Collectors Association	40.00
Copier Corporation of America	<u>52.91</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,195.69</b>

DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTS & FINANCE MISC – (COUNCILMAN MICHAEL J. MINYON, JR.)

Varine-Slavin, Inc.	2,811.96
Nextel	56.19
George Lender	<u>87.08</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,955.23</b>

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY – (Councilman Robert M. Carter)

Lander's Service, Inc.	10,314.79
H & H Electronics, Inc.	287.20
Staley Communication	85.00
Disco Products	21.00
Verizon Wireless	92.03
The Office Connection	28.97
Spino's Tire Service	1,239.15
Kathleen D. Ackley	176.40
Bloom Refractory Products Warehouse	4.49
Varine Slavin, Inc.	3,197.00
Airtek, Inc.	<u>69.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>15,515.03</b>

DEPARTMENT OF STREETS & IMPROVEMENTS – (Councilman Mark L. Clark)

Lander's Service, Inc.	580.72
Traval Contractors Supply, Inc.	2.43
U.S. Municipal Supply, Inc.	371.08
Penn Oxygen & Supply Co.	31.37
Lowe's	240.89
Rentokil Pest Control	58.96
Hummell Brothers	40.32
Cintas First Aid	57.30
Disco Products	439.00
Sherwin Williams Co.	100.00
Golden Equipment	274.08
Advance Auto Parts	9.89
West End Builders Supply Co., Inc.	407.85
Verizon Wireless	78.59
Schlegel Enterprises	600.00
PA One Call System, Inc.	39.70
D.P. Thomas Welding	45.00
Antonacci Design Associates, Inc.	<u>1,000.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4,377.18</b>

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS & BUILDINGS – (Councilman Charles R. Highlands)

Disco Products	325.90
Harrison City Lawn and Garden	135.00
Laurel Ridge Bottling Co.	99.00
Rentokil Pest Control	74.98
Unifirst Corp.	49.67
RCW, Inc.	<u>1,302.75</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,987.30</b>

MORE THAN ONE DEPARTMENT

Carquest Auto Parts Stores	89.13
CitiCapital	356.04
Harris Communications	619.44
Disco Products	<u>377.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,441.61</b>

LIQUID FUELS

Danmar Contracting, Inc.	3,055.49
Hanson Aggregates PMA, Inc.	<u>390.69</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,446.18</b>

PARKING METER ACCOUNT

Barbish Plumbing	3,400.00
Brant's Asphalt	625.00
Moul Enterprises	<u>23,915.74</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>28,115.74</b>

BOND ISSUE

Gary Falatovich	670.00
Hayden Appraisal Services	<u>725.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,395.00</b>

OFF STREET PARKING REVENUE

Globe Ticket and Label Co.	<u>318.76</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>318.76</b>

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Gary A. Falatovich, Atty.	873.00
Gary A. Falatovich, Atty.	330.00
Fejes Signs	4,848.97
Urban Design Ventures, LLC (Month of August)	1,250.00
City of Jeannette – HOME Investment Program	12,500.00
Anthony Guzzo Construction Co.	28,115.00
Sutphen Corp. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Installment Fire Truck	120,000.00
City of Jeannette Façade Improvement Program	1,755.36
Copier Corp. of America	54.54
Varine Slavin, Inc.	949.00
The Jeannette Spirit	196.40
Lisa Hauliska, Court Reporter	256.35
The Office Connection	118.52
The City of Jeannette General Fund (May & June 2005)	<u>21,099.40</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>192,346.54</b>

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Mr. Minyon:

- Report on the Budget and Contract Negotiations

Mr. Highlands:

- Report on the Recreation Department Fall Programs

Mr. Clark:

- Report on the manpower in the Public Works Department.
- Report on work completed in the Street Department.
- Remind property owners that they are responsible for weeds.
- Grass on their property.

Mr. Cafasso:

- Report on the Umbrella Group Family Day on Saturday, September 17, 2005.
- Report on the F.O.P. Contract Negotiations

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

- Motion was made by Minyon and seconded by Highlands to approve Façade Application #34.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Minyon, Highlands, Clark, Cafasso 4

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Motion was made by Minyon and seconded by Highlands to approve Resolution #05-14:

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JEANNETTE, WESTMORELAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, ACCEPTING FUNDING THROUGH THE WESTMORELAND COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE FOR THE ENFORCEMENT OF THE PROVISIONS OF THE CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE, DRUG, DEVICE AND COSMETIC ACT AND ESTABLISHING CONDITIONS FOR THE USE OF SAME**

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Minyon, Highlands, Clark, Cafasso 4

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS: (CONTINUED)**

- Motion was made by Highlands and seconded by Clark to schedule Trick or Treat Night for Thursday October 27, 2005, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.  
A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Minyon, Clark, Cafasso 3  
NAY: Highlands 1  
The chair declared the motion carried.

- Motion was made by Minyon and seconded by Clark to approve **Resolution #05-15:**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JEANNETTE,  
WESTMORELAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA EXONERATING  
DELINQUENT REAL ESTATE TAXES ON TAX MAP PARCEL NOS.  
14-01-12-0-526, 14-01-12-0-527, 14-01-08-0-277 AND 14-01-11-0-163  
AND DECLARING SUCH PROPERTIES TO BE TAX EXEMPT  
THEREAFTER**

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Minyon, Highlands, Clark, Cafasso 4  
NAY: None 0  
The chair declared the motion carried.

- Motion was made by Clark and seconded by Minyon to approve a Settlement Agreement between the City of Jeannette and Howard Gasoline and Oil Company, a/d Howard Gasoline-Oil Company, a corporation, for the acquisition of permanent and construction easements, in furtherance of the City of Jeannette Flood Control Project, over property bearing Westmoreland County Tax Map Parcel Numbers 14-01-11-0-131 and 14-01-11-0-132, together with other property situate adjacent thereto, for the total sum of \$5,756.00 and to requisition payment for same.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Minyon, Highlands, Clark, Cafasso 4  
NAY: None 0  
The chair declared the motion carried.

- Motion was made by Highlands and seconded by Minyon to approve the entry of a Settlement Agreement with John Henry Reidmiller and Ruth Reidmiller, his wife, for the acquisition of a permanent Easement and temporary easement over Tax Map Parcel No. 29-01-14-0-019 for the sum of \$700.00, in furtherance of the City of Jeannette Flood Control Project and to requisition the payment of same.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Minyon, Highlands, Clark, Cafasso 4  
NAY: None 0  
The chair declared the motion carried.

- Motion was made by Highlands and seconded by Clark to approve the entry of a Settlement Agreement with Albert E. Stein and Cheryl Stein, his wife, for the acquisition of a Permanent Easement over Tax Map Parcel No.29-01-14-0-242 for the sum of \$1,000.00, in furtherance of the City of Jeannette Flood Control Project and to requisition the payment of same.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Minyon, Highlands, Clark, Cafasso 4  
NAY: None 0  
The chair declared the motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS: (continued)**

- Motion was made by Clark and seconded by Minyon to approve the entry of a Settlement Agreement with Shirley E. Surrec, for the acquisition of a Permanent Easement and a Temporary Easement over Tax Map Parcel No. 29-01-14-0-237 for the sum of \$2,000.00, in furtherance of the City of Jeannette Flood Control Project and to requisition the payment of same.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Minyon, Highlands, Clark, Cafasso 4  
NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

- Motion was made by Minyon and seconded by Highlands to approve the entry of a Settlement Agreement with Stephanie Baker, Mark Williams and Nancy Williams, his wife, for the acquisition of a Flowage/Occasional Easement over Tax Map Parcel No. 50-07-14-0-060 for the total sum of \$2,000.00, in furtherance of the City of Jeannette Flood Control Project and to requisition the payment of same.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Minyon, Highlands, Clark, Cafasso 4  
NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

- Motion was made by Highlands and seconded by Clark to approve the entry of a Settlement Agreement with the City of Jeannette Municipal Authority for the acquisition of certain Permanent Easements and Temporary Easements over Tax Map Parcel No. 29-01-13-0-001 for the sum of \$9,500.00, in furtherance of the City of Jeannette Flood Control Project and to requisition the payment of same.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Minyon, Highlands, Clark 3  
ABSTAINED: Cafasso 1  
NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

- Motion was made by Clark and seconded by Minyon to hire Scott Howard as a full-time employee of the Public Works Department effective immediately following a physical examination and drug screening. Employee will be compensated per the Teamsters Local 30 Bargaining Agreement.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Minyon, Highlands, Clark, Cafasso 4  
NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

- Motion was made by Clark and seconded by Minyon to grant permission to Crystal A. Matrisch to cut the curb cut at 726 Alwine Street pending the approval of the Code Enforcement Officer and City Engineer Edward Antonacci.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Minyon, Highlands, Clark, Cafasso 4  
NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS: (continued)**

- Motion was made by Clark and seconded by Minyon to grant permission to Arlington Sportsman’s Club to cut the curb at 500 Morningside Avenue pending the approval of the Code Enforcement Officer and City Engineer Edward Antonacci.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Minyon, Highlands, Clark, Cafasso 4  
NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

- Motion was made by Clark and seconded by Minyon to approve the Land Share Assessment Agreement between the City of Jeannette and the Westmoreland County Transit Authority

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Minyon, Highlands, Clark, Cafasso 4  
NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

- Motion was made by Minyon and seconded by Clark to direct he City Clerk to advertise for a Code Enforcement Officer.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Minyon, Highlands, Clark, Cafasso 4  
NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

- A motion was made by Clark and seconded by Minyon to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 p.m.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

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

The chair declared the motion carried.

City Clerk