

**JEANNETTE CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
MINUTES**

**WEDNESDAY  
March 12, 2008  
6:30 P.M.**

**ORDER:** Mayor Michael Cafasso called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** Jeff DePalma, John Busato, Mark Clark, Lou Kolbosky, Michael Cafasso

**ALSO PRESENT:** Ronald E. Dinsmore, City Clerk; Morrison F. Lewis, Interim City Solicitor; Edward L. Antonacci, City Engineer; Rich Ault, City Foreman; Ed Howley, Code Enforcement Officer; Michael Bertolino, Fire Chief; Jeffrey C. Stahl, Chief of Police; Sam Casino Jr., City Treasurer; Diana Reitz, Community Development Coordinator

*Note: Cindy Booley filled in for Ronald Dinsmore*

**ABSENT WITH CAUSE:** Ronald Dinsmore

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG**

**AGENDA:**

A motion was made by DePalma and seconded by Clark to accept the agenda as presented.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: DePalma, Busato, Clark, Kolbosky, Cafasso 5

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

**MINUTES:**

A motion was made by Clark and seconded by DePalma to accept the minutes of the **February 13, 2008** with the following correction. Gary Pilkington stated he resided at 825 Western Avenue. He actually resides in High Park, Hempfield Township, Pennsylvania.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: DePalma, Busato, Clark, Kolbosky, Cafasso 5

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

**CITIZENS:**

**JAYS Afterschool Group** – Michele Dunmire, Nicole Dixon, John Dixon, William Bryant – presented to City Council signs for Jeannette Parks to become “Tobacco Free”.

**Chuck Highlands** – North Second Street – question on pay for new solicitor  
- question on motion for the police grievance.  
- question on the Flood Wall Handrail.

**Veryl Ghrist** – 618 Division Street – commented on streets  
- comment on corner of Western and Division by Antoniak’s Market.

**Dom Hudock** – 323 Stewart Street – crossing guard at McKee Elementary below stadium entrance.  
- complained about speeders going over 25 mph  
- was told by a police sergeant that there is “nothing we can do”.

**Joan Fresch** – 328-1/2 N. First Street – Question on ad in paper for street ordinance.  
- commented on wrong way parking on North First Street and volunteered to ticket cars.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

1. Letter regarding 2008 Community Days Celebration.
2. Letter from Jeannette Downtown Development Association – Farmer’s Market

**OFFICER REPORTS:**

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

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: DePalma, Busato, Clark, Kolbosky, Cafasso 5

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

**BILLS:**

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

YEA: DePalma, Busato, Clark, Kolbosky, Cafasso 5

NAY: None 0

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**BILLS PRESENTED TO COUNCIL FOR APPROVAL**

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

Verizon Wireless	178.49
The Office Connection	248.28
Tribune-Review	572.46
Irwin Photo Lab	278.40
The Jeannette Spirit	161.10
911 PC Medic	290.49
Marshall, Dennehey, Warner, Coleman and Goggin PC	1,207.50
Shannon Binda	100.00
Laurel Ridge Bottling Company	33.00
Orange's Auto Service	369.15
Morrison F. Lewis, Jr.	2,500.00
Copier Corp. of America	.93
International Code Council	100.00
Pitney Bowes	<u>723.00</u>
TOTAL	\$6,762.80

**DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTS & FINANCE – (COUNCILMAN J. LOUIS KOLBOSKY)**

Tribune Review	138.45
Municipal Code Inspections, Inc.	3,262.00
Copier Corp. of America	.84
AJ Press	50.00
Dickman Directories, Inc.	102.00
Sam Casino Jr. Treasurer	106.91
Westmoreland Tax Collector's Assoc.	10.00
Dutcheen O. Cameron	<u>85.00</u>
TOTAL	\$3,755.20

**DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTS & FINANCE -MISC- (COUNCILMAN J. LOUIS KOLBOSKY)**

Varine-Slavin, Inc.	<u>\$27,814.00</u>
TOTAL	\$27,814.00

**DEPARTMENT OF PARKS & BUILDINGS – (COUNCILMAN MARK CLARK)**

Unifirst Corporation	118.58
Laurel Ridge Bottling company	103.50
RCW, Inc.	1,423.50
Ehrlich	83.98
Disco Products	<u>125.21</u>
TOTAL	\$1,854.77

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY – (COUNCILMAN JEFFREY DEPALMA)**

Lander's Service	1,891.47
Pro Auto Service	41.76
Edward Antonacci	188.76
Grainger	165.60
The Office connection	68.89
Fejes Signs	54.00
AJ Press	55.00
Michael Bertolino	46.08
Doris McKeever	41.96
National Fire Protection Association	715.50
Spino's Tire Service	1,340.32
Disco Products	34.85
Verizon Wireless	<u>84.98</u>
TOTAL	\$4,729.17

**DEPARTMENT OF STREETS & IMPROVEMENTS – (COUNCILMAN JOHN BUSATO)**

Travel Contractors Supply, Inc.	874.32
Antonacci Design Associates, Inc.	3,649.00
Disco Products, inc.	205.87
Hunter's Truck Sales & Service	173.81
Walsh Equipment, Inc.	486.73
Lowe's	80.17
Doyle Equipment	168.23
Pro Auto Supply Service	431.75
Multi Metals Company, Inc.	1,341.92
Lander's Service, Inc.	228.20
PA One Call System, Inc.	36.40
Penn Oxygen Supply, Inc.	30.94
Verizon wireless	<u>56.26</u>
TOTAL	\$7,763.60

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MORE THAN ONE DEPARTMENT

Jon Robinson Electric	1,541.78
CIT Technology Fin. Serv..	236.91
Harris Computers	<u>747.00</u>
TOTAL	\$2,525.69

LIQUID FUELS

Cargill Incorporated	17,917.51
Norwin Construction, Inc.	<u>409.68</u>
TOTAL	\$18,327.19

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

City of Jeannette-First Time Homebuyer Program #64	1,788.29
The Jeannette Spirit 2/28/08 FY-2008 CDBG Program Public Hearing	322.20
The Jeannette Spirit-2/28/08 (2) Ads	340.10
CD & H Practitioners Annual Conference April 28-29, 2008	85.00
Urban Design Ventures, LLC Month of November, 2007	1,250.00
Urban Design Ventures, LLC Month of December, 2007	1,250.00
Urban Design Ventures, LLC Month of February, 2008	1,250.00
Environmental & Safety Training, Inc. JE-111507-ABIPD S. 6 <sup>th</sup> St. 11/15/07	5,125.00
Gary A. Falatovich, Atty. 2/12/08 to 3/5/08 COJRA 700 Block Clay	910.00
City of Jeannette – General Fund Wages Jan. 2007	10,419.87
City of Jeannette – General Fund Wages February, 2007	10,419.87
City of Jeannette – General fund Wages March, 2007	10,419.87
City of Jeannette – General Fund Wages April, 2007	10,419.87
Computer Connections, Inc. 08021906 2/25/08 Computers	2,278.80
Computer Connections, Inc. 080229-52 2/29/08 install. 2 w/stations	498.75
City of Jeannette – Facade Improvement Program # (Wink)	523.11
City of Jeannette – Facade Improvement Program #43 (Neighbors)	<u>2,014.00</u>
TOTAL	\$59,314.73

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

Mr. DePalma:

- Rich Ault Report – Garbage running well
- DePalma and Ault to give a monthly report on budget for garbage
- Mike Bertolino Report – commented on grants for Fire Department.

Mr. Busato:

- Repairs are being done in-house on two trucks.
- Commented on street department doing a good job on roads.
- Garage will be recycling used motor oil for new furnace.

Mr. Clark:

- Easter Egg Hunt is March 22, 2008 at 2:00 p.m.
- Oldies Dance at the American Legion March 29, 2008 – 7 p.m. to 11 p.m.
- Sporting events will be starting soon in the parks.

Mr. Kolbosky:

- Read bills to be paid by each department for the month.

Mr. Cafasso:

- Commended Busato and Ault on roads.
- Public Safety – Slow down.
- Buckle Up Program in Jeannette
- Several unsafe streets (i.e. Harrison Avenue)

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- A motion was made by Clark and seconded by Kolbosky to approve the City of Jeannette Community Days Festivities starting Wednesday, July 23, 2008 and ending on July 27, 2008 at the city parking lot located on Magee Avenue; the closing of Magee Avenue from S. Fifth Street to South Seventh Street; the blocking of the right southbound lane on 4<sup>th</sup>. Street from Gaskill Avenue to Magee Avenue; the cutting of the weeds at the Fireworks display area and the Parade route on Clay Avenue. At least two weeks prior to July 23, 2008, the Jeannette Community Days Committee must present to the City Clerks Office an Insurance Policy for the Fireworks Display naming the City of Jeannette and LRG Corporation as an additional insurer. Also, the Community Days Committee must present to the Office of the City Clerk a Liability Insurance Policy. The Committee must contact the City Clerk's Office to arrange electricity and water availability at the city parking lot; the Police Chief to arrange traffic control and security; and the Fire Chief to coordinate the Fireworks Display.

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NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

- A motion was made by Busato and seconded by Clark to grant permission to the Jeannette Downtown Development Association to hold a weekly Farmer's Market to be held on the 500 and half of the 600 Block of Clay Avenue every Thursday evening from July 10, 2008, through September 25, 2008 from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. weather permitting. Also, the Jeannette Downtown Development Association must present to the Office of the City Clerk a Liability Insurance Policy.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: DePalma, Busato, Clark, Kolbosky, Cafasso 5  
NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

- A motion was made by DePalma and seconded by Kolbosky to conduct the first reading of **Bill No. 08-01:**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JEANNETTE,  
WESTMORELAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, ADOPTING  
AND IMPLEMENTING PARKING RESTRICTIONS ON  
HEAVILY TRAFFICKED AVENUES WITHIN THE CITY AND  
SETTING FORTH TRAFFIC CHANGES AND RESTRICTIONS.**

Held over according to law.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: DePalma, Busato, Clark, Kolbosky, Cafasso 5  
NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

- A motion was made by Kolbosky and seconded by Busato to adopt **Resolution No. 08-01:**  
**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
JEANNETTE APPROVING THE COMMUNITY  
DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM APPLICATION FOR FISCAL  
YEAR 2008 AND AUTHORIZING ITS SUBMISSION TO THE  
PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.**

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: DePalma, Busato, Clark, Kolbosky, Cafasso 5  
NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

- A motion was made by Clark and seconded by DePalma to adopt **Resolution No. 08-02**  
**A FAIR HOUSING RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JEANNETTE**

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: DePalma, Busato, Clark, Kolbosky, Cafasso 5  
NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

- A motion was made by Busato and seconded by Clark to have the City Clerk's Office advertise for Bids for all recyclables, diesel fuel and unleaded gasoline.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: DePalma, Busato, Clark, Kolbosky, Cafasso 5  
NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

- A motion was made by Kolbosky and seconded by DePalma to direct the City Clerk's Office to advertise for applicants to take the Police Department Civil Service Test and the Fire Department Civil Service Test.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: DePalma, Busato, Clark, Kolbosky, Cafasso 5  
NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

- A motion was made by DePalma and seconded by Clark to approve the CHDO Agreement by and between the City of Jeannette and Westmoreland Human Opportunities, Inc.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: DePalma, Busato, Clark, Kolbosky, Cafasso 5  
NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

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**NEW BUSINESS: (continued)**

- A motion was made by Clark and seconded by Kolbosky approving 1<sup>st</sup> Time Homebuyer Application #64.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: DePalma, Busato, Clark, Kolbosky, Cafasso 5  
NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

- A motion was made by Clark and seconded by Busato to repeal **Ordinance #06-06: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JEANNETTE, WESTMORELAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, REQUIRING ALL RESTAURANTS AND FOOD ESTABLISHMENTS TO APPLY FOR AND DISPLAY A VALID ANNUAL HEALTH LICENSE, IMPOSING FEES THEREFORE, ESTABLISHING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION OF SAME AND REPEALING ALL OTHER ORDINANCES OR PARTS OR ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT THEREWITH**

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: DePalma, Busato, Clark, Kolbosky, Cafasso 5  
NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

- A motion was made by Busato and seconded by DePalma to approve the solicitor's report on settlement of the outstanding police grievance.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: DePalma, Busato, Clark, Kolbosky, Cafasso 5  
NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

- A motion was made by Busato and seconded by Clark to have the Office of the City Clerk advertise for bids for replacing only damaged curb on Lewis Avenue caused by storm sewer installation; patching storm sewer trenches on Lewis Avenue, grouting any abandoned storm sewer pipe left in Lewis Avenue and replacement of approximately 100 feet of storm pipe on Lewis Avenue.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: DePalma, Busato, Clark, Kolbosky, Cafasso 5  
NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

- A motion was made by DePalma and seconded by Kolbosky to have the Office of the City Clerk advertise for bids to furnish and install handrail along the top of the flood wall.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: DePalma, Busato, Clark, Kolbosky, Cafasso 5  
NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

- A motion was made by Kolbosky and seconded by DePalma to have the Office of the City Clerk advertise for bids to repair the Brush Creek concrete channel wall between Fifth Street and Sixth Street.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: DePalma, Busato, Clark, Kolbosky, Cafasso 5  
NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

- A motion was made by Clark and seconded by Busato to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: DePalma, Busato, Clark, Kolbosky, Cafasso 5  
NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

City Clerk