JEANNETTE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MEETING

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 11, 2009 6:30 P.M.

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

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

ALSO PRESENT: Stella Rebitch, City Clerk; Jack Cambest, City Solicitor,

Edward L. Antonacci, City Engineer; Rich Ault, City Foreman; Michael Bertolino, Fire Chief; Jeffrey C. Stahl, Chief of Police;

Sam Casino Jr., City Treasurer;

Diana Reitz, Community Development Coordinator;

ABSENT WITH CAUSE: Sam Casino

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG

Moment of silence for Nicholas Priolo who passed away January 31, 2009. Mr. Priolo was the Controller for the City of Jeannette for over 20 years and also served on the Jeannette Sewage Authority.

AGENDA:

A motion was made by Busato and seconded by DePalma to accept the agenda as amended. Items 5, 6, 7 and 8 are to be added to New Business.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

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

The chair declared the motion carried.

MINUTES:

A motion was made by Clark and seconded by Kolbosky to accept the minutes of the **January 14, 2009** Regular Council meeting.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

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

The chair declared the motion carried.

CITIZENS:

- Mary Pompous 722 Clay Avenue Requests handicap parking sign on Clay Avenue
 - Complaint on noise at Punch and Jrs. Bar on Clay Avenue across from her store.
- Debra Fisher 605 Walter Street Her dog was attacked by a neighbor's Pit Bull Dog on January 17, 2009.
- Chuck Highlands North First Street Are any contracts signed yet? Question on reduction in the budget for Code Enforcement.
- Veryl Ghrist 618 Division Street Does Ed Howley do Code Enforcement.
- Robert Carter 50 South First Street Question on the budget and code enforcement.
- Joan Fresch North First Street Question on Lou Kolbosky's report form last month.
 - Meeting last night on budget.
 - Comment on Ordinance Person
- Jack Brown Westmoreland Human Opportunities WCA
 - South Sixth Street Project Gave Code Enforcement definition
 - Bringing 3.2 million into the city.
 - COG will not patrol streets.
- Jane Kennedy 412 Margaret Street Alley behind Margaret Street is bad.
- Ron Dinsmore 412 Jane Street Comments on city clerk
 - comments on slum lords and signs in city.
- Eugene Morey 321 North First Street Next door neighbor George's dog goes in yard.
- Ernie DiMartino 305 Division Street Comments on Jack Brown
 - Comments on how code enforcement will affect competitive grants
 - Some council members are working for absentee landlords.
- Rob Fejes 504 Beech Street Comments on Code Enforcement Roof off of house on 3rd Street.
- Bob Wolfe 710 N. First Street Comment on councilmen being elected officials and can also be voted out.

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CITIZENS: (continued):

- Randy Highlands North First Street Comments on Brownsville's code enforcement from Ed Rendall. Rendall said a city needs strong code enforcement.
- Bernard Berry North Fourth Street Comments on burned down house beside him for four years.
- Ron Dinsmore 412 Jane Street Comment on monies for demolition.
- Janice Smarto 605 Pennsylvania Blvd. Comment on demolition of properties.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- 1. Letter requesting garbage exoneration.
- 2. Letter from Murrysville thanking the Jeannette Fire Department.
- 3. Letter from students in JAYS After School Program.
- 4. Letter from Jeannette Business Association regarding banners on light posts.
- 5. Letter requesting date for Caring Car Cruise.
- 6. Letter requesting curb cut at the corner of Jefferson and Park.

Note: Ten minute intermission taken by Mayor at 8:30 p.m. During this intermission, lights went out in City Hall. The Mayor reconvened meeting at 8:40 p.m. in the dark.

OFFICER REPORTS:

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

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

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

The chair declared the motion carried.

BILLS:

A motion was made by Busato and seconded by DePalma 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: Kolbosky, DePalma, Busato, Clark, Cafasso 5 NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

BILLS PRESENTED TO COUNCIL FOR APPROVAL

<u>DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS – (Mayor Michael T. Cafasso)</u>		
Staley Communication, Inc.	543.73	
Oranges Auto Service	497.44	
The Office Connection	432.35	
Westmoreland Regional Hospital	252.00	
Dodaro, Matta & Cambest, P.C.	6,655.00	
Laurel Ridge Bottling company	33.50	
Hampton Office Products	132.68	
Fejes Signs	<u>35.00</u>	
TOTAL	\$8,581,70	

<u>DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTS & FINANCE – (COUNCILMAN J. LOUIS KOLBOSKY)</u>

 AJ Press
 585.00

 DCED
 164.00

 BIU
 2,905.00

 TOTAL
 \$3,654.00

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

 Robert J. Regina
 487.86

 Omnova Solutions
 6,744.04

 TOTAL
 \$7,231.90

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS & BUILDINGS – (COUNCILMAN MARK CLARK)

 Laurel Ridge Bottling Company
 154.00

 RCW, Inc.
 1,466.25

 Disco Products
 141.32

 Advanced Communications North
 95.00

 Unifirst Corporation
 63.00

 Jordan Construction
 500.00

TOTAL \$2,419.57

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BILLS PRESENTED TO COUNCIL FOR APPROVAL (CONTINUED)

<u>DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY – (COUNCILMAN JEFFREY DEPALMA)</u>

Lander's Enterprises LLC	674.12
Lander's Service, Inc.	163.25
William Dickey	62.92
Hummell Brother Electric	1.41
Witner Associates, Inc.	62.50
Fred Hegel	43.66
TOTAL	\$1,007.86

<u>DEPARTMENT OF STREETS & IMPROVEMENTS – (COUNCILMAN JOHN BUSATO)</u>

Lander's Service, Inc.	890.11
Antonacci Design Associates, Inc.	5,387.00
TransEdge Truck Center	105.25
Lowe's Home Improvement	416.14
Fletcher Sales and Service, Inc.	22.74
City of Jeannette Municipal Authority	133.52
Traval Contractors Supply, Inc.	36.00
Cintas First Aid	64.35
Quality Truck	111.10
Multi-Metals Company, Inc.	1,457.64
Ehrlich	68.96
Mangery & Sons of Penn, Inc.	798.40
Pennsylvania One Call System, Inc.	54.30
Penn Oxygen & Supply	65.09
Advanced Auto Parts	83.61
Carquest Auto Parts Stores	116.42
Murray Auto Electric	<u>167.50</u>
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TOTAL \$9,978.13

MORE THAN ONE DEPARTMENT

Harris Computers	814.23
CIT Technology	351.59
Spino's Tire Service	981.45
Duncan True Value	22.97
Computer Connections, Inc.	354.00
Pitney Bowes	<u>1,569.97</u>

TOTAL \$4,094.21

LIQUID FUELS

HEI-WAY, LLC	523.38
R.G. Elias Trucking Company	3,955.00
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania	<u>85,215.97</u>

TOTAL \$89,694.35

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Urban Design Ventures LLC Month of December, 2008	1,250.00
Westmoreland Community Action – S. 6 th St. Project CIT/67	2,988.34
Westmoreland Community Action – S. 6 th St. Project CIT/69	96,918.95
Cribbs & Associates, Inc. S. 6 th St. Project	4,501.80
Community Development Reporter Invoice No. CA-8000	<u>380.00</u>

TOTAL \$106,039.09

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Mr. Kolbosky: Mr. DePalma:

Mr. Busato: NO DEPARTMENT REPORTS BECAUSE OF LACK OF

Mr. Clark: ELECTRICITY

Mr. Cafasso:

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

• A motion was made by Busato and seconded by DePalma to adopt Bill No. 08-04 and *Ordinance 09-01:*

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JEANNETTE, COUNTY OF WESTMORELAND, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, FIXING THE TAX RATE FOR 2009 AND APPROPRIATING SPECIFIC SUMS ESTIMATED TO BE REQUIRED FOR THE SPECIFIC PURPOSES OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT, HEREINAFTER SET FORTH, DURING THE CURRENT YEAR.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Kolbosky, DePalma, Busato, Cafasso 4
NAY: Clark 1
The chair declared the motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

• A motion was made by Clark and seconded by DePalma to approve the annual Caring Car Cruise in the downtown business district to be held on Saturday, September 12, 2009, with a rain date of Saturday, September 19, 2009.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Kolbosky, DePalma, Busato, Clark, Cafasso 5
NAY: None 0
The chair declared the motion carried.

 A motion was made by Clark and seconded by Busato to approve curb cut on the corner of Jefferson Avenue and Park Street pending the approval of the city engineer and code enforcement officer.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Kolbosky, DePalma, Busato, Clark, Cafasso 5
NAY: None 0
The chair declared the motion carried.

• A motion was made by Busato and seconded by Clark to permit the Jeannette Business Association to pursue the beautification initiative and to permit the solicitation of grants from this project from the Pennsylvania State Government.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Kolbosky, DePalma, Busato, Clark, Cafasso

NAY: None

The chair declared the motion carried.

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A motion was made by Busato and seconded by Kolbosky to adopt <u>Resolution No. 09-02</u>:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JEANNETTE ESTABLISHING A DEBT SERVICE RESERVE AND PLEDGING THE CITY'S FULL FAITH AND CREDIT FOR REPAYMENT OF THE SECTION 108 LOAN IN SUPPORT OF THE SOUTH SIXTH STREET REVITALIZATION PROJECT.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Kolbosky, DePalma, Busato, Clark, 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 Busato to adopt <u>Resolution No. 09-03:</u> A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JEANNETTE, WESTMORELAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AUTHORIZING THE CONDEMNATION OF CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE CITY OF JEANNETTE, WESTMORELAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, FOR THE PUBLIC PURPOSE OF THE OPENING AND CONSTRUCTION OF A PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY. A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Kolbosky, DePalma, Busato, Clark, Cafasso 5
NAY: None 0
The chair declared the motion carried.

• A motion was made by Clark and seconded by Busato to adopt <u>Resolution No. 09-04:</u>
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JEANNETTE, WESTMORELAND
COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AUTHORIZING THE
CONDEMNATION OF CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE
CITY OF JEANNETTE, WESTMORELAND COUNTY,
PENNSYLVANIA, FOR THE PUBLIC PURPOSE OF A PUBLIC
RIGHT-OF-WAY AND HOUSING.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Kolbosky, DePalma, Busato, Clark, Cafasso 5
NAY: None 0
The chair declared the motion carried.

• A motion was made by Clark and seconded by Busato to adopt <u>Resolution No. 09-05:</u>
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JEANNETTE, WESTMORELAND
COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AUTHORIZING THE
CONDEMNATION OF CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE
CITY OF JEANNETTE, WESTMORELAND COUNTY,
PENNSYLVANIA, FOR THE PUBLIC PURPOSE OF THE
RENOVATION AND EXPANSION OF THE BROWN AVENUE

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

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

The chair declared the motion carried.

• A motion was made by Busato and seconded by DePalma to authorize the Council of the City of Jeannette to enter into an Intergovernmental Co-op Agreement with the Westmoreland County Council of Government for the purpose of using the Westmoreland County COG UCC Approval Board.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Kolbosky, DePalma, Busato, Clark, 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 8:56 p.m.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

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

The chair declared the motion carried.