

**JEANNETTE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES**

**WEDNESDAY
MARCH 11, 2009
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, Louis Kolbosky, Michael Cafasso

ABSENT WITH CAUSE: Louis Kolbosky

ALSO PRESENT: Stella Rebitch, City Clerk; Jack Cambest, 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: John Rushford filled in for Jack Cambest

ABSENT WITH CAUSE: Ed Howley, Sam Casino Jr., Jack Cambest

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG

AGENDA:

A motion was made by Busato and seconded by DePalma to accept the agenda.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: DePalma, Busato, Clark, Cafasso 4

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 **February 11, 2009** Regular Council meeting.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: DePalma, Busato, Clark, Cafasso 4

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

CITIZENS:

Veryl Ghrist – 618 Division Street – Garbage on S. 5th Street – Row Houses

Robert Carter – 50 S. First St. – Read letter from April 3, 2008, from the Jeannette Fire Relief Association – regarding loan for \$43,000, said the city would provide half for equipment.

Robert Hite – 1303 Ferree Avenue – question on vacating part of High Street from last April.

Jane Kennedy – 412 Margaret Street – comments on the press release that was in the Jeannette Spirit.

Joan Fresch – North First Street – question on who wrote the release that was in the Spirit.

- question on the new position in zoning.

- question on the \$50,000 in “miscellaneous” Budget.

- storm damage on buildings.

Ronald E. Dinsmore – 412 Jane Street – comments on the 2009 Budget – saying that the 2009 Budget was passed illegally because of line items over the limit.

Ernie DiMartino – 305 Division Street – question on code enforcement – question on study of code enforcement.

Nancy Gresco – North First Street – complaint on the wild, wild west at Antoniaiks intersection because of cars parked too close to the stop sign and not using their parking lot.

- Comment on dogs on chains; read article of girl attacked by dog.

Randy Highlands – North Second Street – comment on the blighted properties ordinance.

- Press release was misrepresented.

- Question on when the web site will be up and running.

Hope Sehring – Jeannette Public Librarian – thanked the City of Jeannette for replacing the old electrical box.

Bruce Busato – 614 Division Street – comment on lots cleaned up and houses torn down.

- commented on why Deluzio’s left town.

Ronald E. Dinsmore – 412 Jane Street – comment on same codes in Greensburg as in Jeannette.

Rob Fejes – 504 Beech Street – commented on person being hired for code enforcement.

- question on Redevelopment Authority to Jack Cambest – needs answer.

Chris Harper – 6 – 14th Street – question on remote controlled car track.

- Recreation Department to help.

Nancy Peters – Jeannette Recreation Director – read letter from Recreation Commission regarding insert in the Jeannette Spirit.

Margie Stanislaw – 437 Cedar Street – commented on the United Way Agreement with Recreation.

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Letter from Community Days Committee.
2. Letter from Greensburg Police Department
3. Letter from Seton Hill College to the Jeannette Police Department.
4. Letter from Recreation Commission.

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* A motion was made by Busato and seconded by Clark to recess for ten minutes at 8:06 p.m.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: DePalma, Busato, Clark, Cafasso	4
NAY: None	0

The chair declared the motion carried.

*Recess over at 8:12 p.m. and meeting continued.

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: DePalma, Busato, Clark, Cafasso	4
NAY: None	0

The chair declared the motion carried.

BILLS:

A motion was made by DePalma 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: DePalma, Busato, 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)

The Office Connection	216.82
Copier Corporation of America	81.24
Advance Communications North	1,110.00
Army Navy Store	858.75
Westmoreland Regional Hospital	294.00
Orange’s Auto Store	386.45
Fleet Fitters LLC	5,300.00
Laurel Ridge bottling company	37.50
Lynn Peavey Company	97.70
Moore Wallace	52.94
Purchase Power	486.42
The Jeannette Spirit	71.59
Hampton Office Products	44.79
Pitney Bowes	723.00
Unity Printing Co., Inc.	98.35
TASC	238.14
Staley Communications Inc.	88.00
Computer Connection, Inc.	245.25
Lawyers Abstract Company of W.C.	211.50
Dodaro, Matta & Cambest, P.C.	2,223.00
Jon Robinson Electric, Inc.	<u>1,100.00</u>
TOTAL	\$13,965.44

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

Treasurer’s Association of PA	50.00
Dickman Directories, Inc.	103.00
F.. Haus Company	619.70
Hampton Office Products	350.99
AJ Press	110.00
BIU of PA	<u>2,607.50</u>
TOTAL	\$3,841.19

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

Varine-Slavin, Inc.	<u>59,770.00</u>
TOTAL	\$59,770.00

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS & BUILDINGS – (COUNCILMAN MARK CLARK)

Hummell Brothers Electric Supply, Inc.	130.41
Barry Costantino’s	548.25
Ehrlich	87.98
Unifirst Corporation	63.00
Laurel Ridge Bottling Company	114.00
Disco Products	<u>100.77</u>
TOTAL	\$1,044.41

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY – (COUNCILMAN JEFFREY DEPALMA)

Lander Enterprises LLC	795.40
Lander’s Service, Inc.	4,911.36
Spino’s Tire Service	940.00
Angela Zippi	62.92
The Office Connection	70.77
Automotive Detail Plus	<u>45.61</u>
TOTAL	\$6,826.06

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DEPARTMENT OF STREETS & IMPROVEMENTS – (COUNCILMAN JOHN BUSATO)

Gateway Fasteners Inc.	200.62
Disco Products	145.14
Antonacci Design Associates	3,047.08
Lander’s Service Inc.	3,749.32
Pennsylvania One Call System, Inc.	70.20
Lowe’s Home Improvements	658.00
Penn Oxygen & Supply, Inc.	33.08
ABC Fire Extinguisher co., Inc.	108.45
Old Dominion brush	197.14
US Municipal Supply, Inc.	769.60
Carquest Auto Parts Stores	115.66
TransAxle	941.16
Duncan True Value Hardware	82.00
Pitt Industrial Products, Inc.	20.72
Cintas First Aid	73.05
Spino’s Tire Service	120.00
Pro Auto Supply Service	400.00
Certified Lab	155.32
Fletcher Sales & Service, Inc.	5.20
Jon Robinson Electric, Inc.	<u>771.05</u>
TOTAL	\$11,662.79

MORE THAN ONE DEPARTMENT

Jon Robinson Electric, Inc.	3,146.28
Cit Technology Fin. Serv., Inc.	<u>351.59</u>
TOTAL	\$3,497.87

LIQUID FUELS

R.G. Elias Trucking Company	980.00
HEI-WAY, LLC	424.90
Commonwealth of PA	<u>11,958.03</u>
TOTAL	\$13,362.93

OFF STREET PARKING ACCOUNT

Barry Constantino’s	398.05
Plastag Corp. and Globe Ticket	<u>265.28</u>
TOTAL	\$663.33

PARKING METER ACCOUNT

Meter Products Co., Inc. DBA	900.00
Unity Printing Co., Inc.	<u>199.00</u>
TOTAL	\$1,099.00

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

City of Jeannette – 1 st Time Homebuyer Program #78	1,474.37
City of Jeannette – 1 st Time Homebuyer Program #79	2,058.37
The Jeannette Spirit – 1/31/09 RDV Authority Meeting Ad	65.34
Steve Catranel Construction Co., Inc. South Sixth Street	630.00
Gary A. Falatovich Atty 2/1/09 to 2/28/09 COJRA 700 Block Clay	2,940.00
Westmoreland Community Action CIT/68 1/14/09	1,480.00
Picclomini Contractors, Inc. 2 Invoices S. 6 th Street	38,968.75
Urban Design Ventures, LLC – CRSA Report 2/17/09	<u>5,000.00</u>
TOTAL	\$52,616.83

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Mr. DePalma:

- Rich Ault – City Foreman – reported on recycling, one large item pick up
- Mike Bertolino – Fire Chief –116 Incidents so far for 2009 – March 26 –MDA function
- 2009 Cleanup on 4/25/09 – We need participants – 70 last year – 9:00 -3:00 p.m.
- Sewage/Gas line repair/Road repair.

Mr. Busato:

- Finished this year with 1,374 Tons Salt compared to last year over 2,000 tons.
- Roadways will start to be rehabilitated in May.

Mr. Clark:

- Mark and Nancy met with Senator Ward on grants.
- Thanked everyone who attended the St. Patrick’s Day party – there were 70 people in attendance – Easter Egg Hunt will be April 11, 2009 at 2:00 at Altman Park-next trip to Wheeling will be on Thursday, March 19, 2009.

Mr. Kolbosky:

- Stella Rebitch gave a report on the budget as of 3/1/09. Each department is under.

Mr. Cafasso:

- Praised Michael Bertolino for his accomplishment.
- The city will enforce the ordinance for cats and dogs.
- Jeff Stahl–Police Chief - The police will be enforcing the ordinance for abandoned cars.
- The Clicket or Ticket program will begin soon.

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

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NEW BUSINESS:

- A motion was made by DePalma and seconded by Clark to approve 1st Time Homebuyer Applications #78 and #79.
A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: DePalma, Busato, Clark, Cafasso 4

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

- A motion was made by Busato and seconded by Clark to adopt **Resolution No. 09-06:**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
JEANNETTE APPROVING A COMMUNITY REVITALIZATION
STRATEGY AREA PLAN 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, Cafasso 4

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

- A motion was made by Clark and seconded by Busato to approve the use of the City Parking Lot for the City of Jeannette Community Days Festivities starting Monday, July 20, 2009 through and including Sunday, July 26, 2009; the closing of Magee Avenue from S. Fifth Street to South Sixth Street; the blocking of the right southbound lane on 4th. Street from Gaskill Avenue to Magee Avenue; the cutting of the weeds at the Fireworks display areas and the Parade route on Clay Avenue. At least two weeks prior to July 20, 2009, 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.
A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: DePalma, Busato, Clark, Cafasso 4

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

- A motion was made by Clark and seconded by DePalma to adjourn the meeting at 8:34 p.m.
A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: DePalma, Busato, Clark, Cafasso 4

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.