

**JEANNETTE CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
MINUTES**

**WEDNESDAY  
APRIL 8, 2009  
6:35 P.M.**

**ORDER:** Mayor Michael Cafasso called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m

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

**ABSENT WITH CAUSE:** Jeff DePalma

**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 Jr.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG**

*Moment of silence for the three Pittsburgh Police Officers killed in the line of duty on Saturday,  
April 4, 2009.*

**AGENDA:**

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

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Busato, Clark, Kolbosky, Cafasso 4

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

**MINUTES:**

A motion was made by Kolbosky and seconded by Busato to accept the minutes of the  
**March 25, 2009** Regular Council meeting.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Busato, Clark, Kolbosky, Cafasso 4

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

**CITIZENS:**

- Chuck Highlands – North Second Street – His recyclables were not picked up; Question – are any contracts signed; Who is the Health Board Officer? – Question on city clerk salary.
- Pam Kochella – Gaskill Avenue – Schade leased 826-1/2, moved someone in who was not married; Wanted to know about the Regulated Rental Unit Ordinance. Bertolino to check on occupancy.
- Joan Fresch – 328-1/2 North First Street- Questions on Budget and Miscellaneous items.
- Elisa Kasmarik – Greentree – Information on the Alzheimer’s Walk.
- Nancy Gresco – North First Street – commented on the Jeannette website; wants horse on her property.
- Ernie DiMartino – 615 Division Street – Cost study on Code Enforcement given by Mark Clark; Car Cruise explanation.
- Ron Dinsmore – 412 Jane Street – Why did it take one whole year to get an answer on the legality of the Health Board when it was in the Third Class City Code?
- Rich Stull – 1303 Elliott Street – complaint on city streets being like a war zone; please repave Elliott Street; Antonacci gave report on new paving project with utility companies; Asked why a city employee was permitted to run for office (Robert Carter is a call fireman).
- Mr. Anthony – 15 East Gaskill Avenue – wrote letter in February to Council regarding 18 East Gaskill Avenue.
- Robert Carter – 50 South First Street – He is running for Mayor; will give up pay for call firefighter if it interferes with his running for Mayor, but will continue fighting fires.
- David Rogers – 20 East Gaskill – stated the electric meter was pulled on 18 East Gaskill.
- Rob Fejes – 504 Beech Street – comments on ordinance on blighted property.
- Randy Highlands – 509 North Second Street – question on blighted property; thanked City Police from Jeannette.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

1. Letter requesting resurfacing of Cort Street.
2. Letter requesting permission to block alley for Ascension Festival.
3. Letter from Jeannette Business Association requesting permission to hold car cruise.

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**OFFICER REPORTS:**

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

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Busato, Clark, Kolbosky, Cafasso 4  
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.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Busato, Clark, Kolbosky, 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	160.37
Orange's Auto Service	185.92
Westmoreland Regional Hospital	77.00
Kiski Valley Uniform and Supply	288.50
Forensics Source	107.23
Staley Communications	155.75
Kane Enterprises Inc.	20.00
Laurel Ridge Bottling company	29.50
Flynn's Tire	2,616.32
Dodaro, Matta & Cambest, P.C.	2,969.00
Kenny Ross Ford, Inc.	<u>959.86</u>
TOTAL	\$7,569.45

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

AJ Press	126.00
BIC of PA	<u>3,342.50</u>
TOTAL	\$3,468.50

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

Varine-Slavin, Inc.	<u>19,126.00</u>
TOTAL	\$19,126.00

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS & BUILDINGS – (COUNCILMAN MARK CLARK)

Disco Products	170.01
Laurel Ridge Bottling Company	84.00
Ehrlich Pest Control	87.98
RCW, Inc.	1,466.25
Unifirst Corporation	63.00
Carasella Plumbing and Heating	<u>2,710.00</u>
TOTAL	\$4,581.23

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY – (COUNCILMAN JEFFREY DEPALMA)

Lander's Service, Inc.	1,522.04
Kenny Brinton III	50.00
Computer Connection, Inc.	340.20
Diane Rinier (POA)	21.84
Hummell Brothers Electric Supply, Inc.	8.57
Disco Products	30.94
Staley Communications Inc.	22.00
Jones & Bartlett Publishers, LLC	59.90
Spino's tire Service	<u>1,070.00</u>
TOTAL	\$3,125.49

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DEPARTMENT OF STREETS & IMPROVEMENTS – (COUNCILMAN JOHN BUSATO)

Lander's Service, Inc.	1,047.31
Antonacci Design Associates, Inc.	5,525.00
Cox	377.60
Ehrlich Pest Control	68.96
Carquest Auto Parts Stores	38.23
Advanced Auto Parts	38.16
Penn Oxygen and Supply, Inc.	29.88
Disco Products	59.29
Pennsylvania One Call System, Inc.	41.60
Chemsearch	67.85
Hunter Truck	232.50
Gateway Fasteners, Inc.	72.00
Cintas First Aid	28.05
Fletcher Sales and Service, Inc.	<u>48.15</u>
TOTAL	\$7,674.58

MORE THAN ONE DEPARTMENT

Pitney Bowes	4,486.42
Duncan True Value	69.89
CIT Technology Fin. Service, Inc.	351.59
Harris Computer	<u>814.23</u>
TOTAL	\$5,722.13

LIQUID FUELS

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania	20,499.48
Hanson Aggregates, Inc.	664.75
HEI-way, LLC	<u>380.42</u>
TOTAL	\$21,544.65

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

City of Jeannette-1 <sup>st</sup> Time Homebuyer Program #80	3,000.00
Urban Design Ventures, LLC Month of Jan 2009	1,250.00
Urban Design Ventures, LLC Month of February, 2009	1,250.00
Trib Total Media	81.38
PAHRA CD & H Practitioners Conference	<u>100.00</u>
TOTAL	\$5,681.38

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

Mr. Busato:

- Upgrade on catch basins
- Several projects have been started.
- Purchased a compressor.

Mr. Clark:

- Recreation book will be ready soon.
- Egg Hunt on April 11, 2009.
- Race Car Track on Chambers Avenue.
- Program with United Way.

Mr. Kolbosky:

- Update on budget figures
- Cell Phones and Land Lines being researched for savings.

Mr. DePalma:

- Fire – 180 Incidents
  - FEMA Grant - \$100,000
  - 13 Firefighters in Class
- Public Works – One Large Item began on April 6 – 10, 2009
  - Comment on Recycling Truck
  - PA Cleanup – April 25, 2009 – 9:00 a.m.

Mr. Cafasso:

- Police – applying for grant for equipment – Enrad System
- 513 Calls
- Wished everyone a Happy Easter.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- A motion was made by Kolbosky and seconded by Clark to grant permission to the Ascension Church to block the alley behind the church on Saturday, July 11 and Sunday July 12, 2009.  
A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:  
YEA: Busato, Clark, Kolbosky, Cafasso 4  
NAY: None 0  
The chair declared the motion carried.
- A motion was made by Clark and seconded by Kolbosky to grant permission to the Jeannette Business Association to conduct Friday Night Car Cruises to be held the first and third Friday of each month starting May 1, 2009. These events will be held in the downtown business district starting at 4:00 p.m. and ending at 9:00 p.m.  
A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:  
YEA: Busato, Clark, Kolbosky, Cafasso 4  
NAY: None 0  
The chair declared the motion carried.
- A motion was made by Busato and seconded by Clark to approve 1<sup>st</sup> Time Homebuyer Application #80.  
A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:  
YEA: Busato, Clark, Kolbosky, Cafasso 4  
NAY: None 0  
The chair declared the motion carried.
- A motion was made by Clark and seconded by Busato to direct the Community Development Coordinator to prepare and advertise for Request for Proposals for design of the Agnew Road Playground.  
A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:  
YEA: Busato, Clark, Kolbosky, Cafasso 4  
NAY: None 0  
The chair declared the motion carried.
- A motion was made by Busato and seconded by Clark to approve the garbage exonerations as presented to City Council by Treasurer Sam Casino Jr.  
A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:  
YEA: Busato, Clark, Kolbosky, Cafasso 4  
NAY: None 0  
The chair declared the motion carried.
- A motion was made by Kolbosky and seconded by Clark to pay the final payment on the Flood Control Wall Repair Project in the amount of \$10,244.50 to ARS Incorporated.  
A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:  
YEA: Busato, Clark, Kolbosky, Cafasso 4  
NAY: None 0  
The chair declared the motion carried.
- A motion was made by Clark and seconded by Busato to approve the purchase of two 2009 Police Cruisers.  
A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:  
YEA: Busato, Clark, Kolbosky, Cafasso 4  
NAY: None 0  
The chair declared the motion carried.
- A motion was made by Busato and seconded by Kolbosky to direct the City Clerk to re-advertise the 2009 City of Jeannette Budget.  
A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:  
YEA: Busato, Clark, Kolbosky, Cafasso 4  
NAY: None 0  
The chair declared the motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

- A motion was made by Busato and seconded by Kolbosky to adjourn the meeting at 8:13 p.m.  
A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:  
YEA: Busato, Clark, Kolbosky, Cafasso 4  
NAY: None 0  
The chair declared the motion carried.