

**JEANNETTE CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
MINUTES**

**WEDNESDAY  
July 13, 2011  
6:00 P.M.**

**ORDER:** Mayor Robert Carter called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** Jeff DePalma, Ronald Dinsmore, Mark Clark, John Busato, Robert Carter

**ABSENT WITH CAUSE:** John Busato

**ALSO PRESENT:** Michael J. Minyon, Jr., City Clerk; Scott Avolio, City Solicitor;  
Edward L. Antonacci, City Engineer; Rich Ault, City Foreman;  
Brad Shepler, Chief of Police; Joseph Matijevec, Fire Chief,  
Sam Casino Jr., City Treasurer; Diana Reitz, Community Development Coordinator

**ABSENT WITH CAUSE:** Sam Casino

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG**

*Also, please remain standing for a moment of reflection for men and women in the armed services.*

**AGENDA:**

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

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: DePalma, Dinsmore, Clark, Carter 4  
NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

**MINUTES:**

A motion was made by DePalma and seconded by Clark to accept the minutes of the June 8, 2011 Regular Council Meeting.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

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YEA: DePalma, Dinsmore, Clark, Carter 4  
NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

**CITIZENS:**

- Chuck Highlands – North Second Street – comment on parking on sidewalk
- Van Dykes – Wylie Avenue – comment on sewer line
- Ms. Angel – Wylie Avenue – comment on sewer line
- Pam Kochella – Gaskill Avenue – Garbage bags; people in block; too many people in house

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

1. Letter from Fathers Heart Ministries.
2. Letter from Jeannette Recreation regarding car cruise.

**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, Dinsmore, Clark, Carter 4  
NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

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**BILLS:**

A motion was made by Dinsmore 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: DePalma, Dinsmore, Clark, Carter 4

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

Mr. DePalma:

Mr. Dinsmore: Ron has his first grandchild – Abraham Edward, July 9, 2011 at 7:01 a.m.

Mr. Clark:

Mr. Busato:

Mr. Carter:

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. A motion was made by Dinsmore and seconded by DePalma to accept the resignation of Daniel Marco effective May 10, 2011.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: DePalma, Dinsmore, Clark, Carter 4

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. A motion was made by Clark and seconded by DePalma to accept the proposal from Malin, Bergquist and Company LLP to assist the City of Jeannette in the implementation of updated accounting policies and procedures, general ledger accounts consistent with reporting requirements, proper reporting policies and procedures, cash management policies and training individuals in relation to the general ledger accounting package at a cost of \$5,700.00

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: DePalma, Dinsmore, Clark, Carter 4

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

2. A motion was made by DePalma and seconded by Clark to award the Financial Statement Audit to Malin Bergquist at a cost of \$26,000.00.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: DePalma, Clark, Carter 3

NAY: Dinsmore 1

The chair declared the motion carried.

3. A motion was made by DePalma and seconded by Clark to open 2011 Demolition Bids for 211 South 4<sup>th</sup> Street, 308-310 S. 6<sup>th</sup> Street and 510 Bullitt Avenue.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: DePalma, Dinsmore, Clark, Carter 4

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

Note: Diana Reitz to open the bids.

\*\*A motion was made by DePalma and seconded by Dinsmore to recess at 7:05 p.m.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: DePalma, Dinsmore, Clark, Carter 4

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

**Resumed at 7:20 p.m.**

4. A motion was made by Dinsmore and seconded by Clark to hold the 2011 Demolition Bids for the above mention addresses.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: DePalma, Dinsmore, Clark, Carter 4

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

5. A motion was made by DePalma and seconded by Clark to grant permission to Father Heart's Ministries to use the parking lot located at 3<sup>rd</sup> and Clay Avenue for an outreach event on Saturday, August 20, 2011 from 2:00 to 6:00 p.m. The Father Heart's Ministries must present to the Office of the City Clerk a Liability Insurance Policy naming the City of Jeannette as additional insurer no later than ten days before the event.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: DePalma, Dinsmore, Clark, Carter 4

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

6. A motion was made by Clark and seconded by DePalma to approve the Recreation Department's Car Cruise Fundraiser for Anthony Masciantonio on Clay Avenue in the downtown business district to be held on Saturday, September 10, 2011 from 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. with a rain date of Saturday, September 17, 2011.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: DePalma, Dinsmore, Clark, Carter 4

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

7. A motion was made by Dinsmore and seconded by Clark to enter the City of Jeannette into a lease agreement with the Jeannette Public Library Association.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: DePalma, Dinsmore, Clark, Carter 4

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

8. A motion was made by Clark and seconded by Dinsmore to approve 1<sup>st</sup> Time Homebuyer Application # 109.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: DePalma, Dinsmore, Clark, Carter 4

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

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9. A motion was made by Dinsmore and seconded by DePalma to approve the proposal for CDBG Professional Engineering Services to Antonacci Design Associates for 2010, 2011 and 2012.  
A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:  
YEA: DePalma, Dinsmore, Clark, Carter 4  
NAY: None 0  
The chair declared the motion carried.
10. A motion was made by Clark and seconded by DePalma to hire Joseph DePalma as Part Time Summer Help in the Public Works Department at a rate of \$8.00 per hour.  
A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:  
YEA: DePalma, Clark, Carter 3  
NAY: Dinsmore 1  
The chair declared the motion carried.
11. A motion was made by Clark and seconded by DePalma to purchase a self-contained Hedge Hog for the Public Works Department at a price of \$11,500.00.  
A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:  
YEA: DePalma, Dinsmore, Clark, Carter 4  
NAY: None 0  
The chair declared the motion carried.
12. A motion was made by Clark and seconded by DePalma to approve the resolution of the Tax Assessment Appeal concerning the Jeannette School District vs. the Redevelopment Authority of Westmoreland County, Case #8793 of 2010.  
A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:  
YEA: DePalma, Dinsmore, Clark, Carter 4  
NAY: None 0  
The chair declared the motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

- A motion was made by DePalma and seconded by Clark to adjourn the meeting at 7:26 p.m.  
A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:  
YEA: DePalma, Dinsmore, Clark, Carter 4  
NAY: None 0  
The chair declared the motion carried.