

**JEANNETTE CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
MINUTES**

**WEDNESDAY  
August 10, 2011  
6:02 P.M.**

**ORDER:** Mayor Robert Carter called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

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

**ABSENT WITH CAUSE:** Jeff DePalma

**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:** Joseph Matijevec (*Note: Michael Bertolino filled in for Matijevec*)

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG**

*Also, please remain standing for a moment of reflection for men and women in the armed services.  
Presentation to City of Jeannette from the United Way of Westmoreland County.*

**AGENDA:**

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

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

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

The chair declared the motion carried.

**MINUTES:**

A motion was made by Dinsmore and seconded by Busato to accept the minutes of the July 27, 2011 Special Council Meeting.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Dinsmore, Busato, Carter 3  
ABSTAIN: Clark 1  
NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

**CITIZENS:**

- Veryl Ghrist – Division Street – Branches by his lot.
- Chuck Highlands – North Second Street – question on 4<sup>th</sup> Street; Is the 2012 Budget started?; Is Diana keeping track of Website cost at Dimension X; Comment on hiring a new fireman – is it in the contract that there has to be a chief and two captains?; Flood Control return of \$33,000 from 2009.
- Randy Highlands – Westmoreland Avenue – sent council a letter in April 2011 from Jeannette EMS regarding purchasing the Sixth Street Parking Lot – wondered if they decided on selling at the price of \$20,000 – Please consider for next month.
- Betsy Myers – 15<sup>th</sup> Street – Needs her alley fixed. – cut weeds – Busato to address issue – Boom to handle.
- Don DeGuffroy – 514 Greenwood Street – question on the Delta Report – Hiring of firefighter.
- Babe Antonacci – 625 Birch Street – Give the Elliott Company praise.
- Arthur Graves – 15<sup>th</sup> Street – Dirt pile to be moved on 15<sup>th</sup> Street.

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**COMMUNICATIONS:**

1. A letter requesting the closure of the 500 block of Birch Street for Summer Block Party.
2. Petition for including Margaret Street in 2011 Paving Project.
3. Letter from Malin Bergquist and Company regarding audit fees.
4. Letter from Mary Ann Thomas of the Dance Factory.

**OFFICER REPORTS:**

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

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Dinsmore, Clark, Busato, Carter 4

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

**BILLS:**

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

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

Mr. Dinsmore: Gave report on Delta report.

Mr. Clark: Jeannette Recreation – last day at playgrounds is July 27

Mr. Busato: Not working with a full crew – doing our best on Road Crew.

Mr. DePalma: Absent

Mr. Carter: Thanked Mary Ann Thomas regarding her dance studio; commented on Community Days.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. A motion was made by Clark and seconded by Dinsmore to award the 2011 Demolition Bid to Piccolomini Contractors Inc., 1790 Pittsburgh Road, Waltersburg, PA 15488, in the total contract amount of \$118,000.00.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Dinsmore, Clark, Busato, Carter 4

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. A motion was made by Dinsmore and seconded by Busato to approve 1<sup>st</sup> Time Homebuyer Application # 110 and #111.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

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

The chair declared the motion carried.

2. A motion was made by Clark and seconded by Dinsmore to adopt **Resolution No. 11-09:**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JEANNETTE, WESTMORELAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA (HEREINAFTER "THE MUNICIPALITY") CONFIRMING THE FACILITIES PLAN CONFORMS TO THE APPLICABLE ZONING AND OTHER MUNICIPAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF JEANNETTE.**

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

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

The chair declared the motion carried.

3. A motion was made by Dinsmore and seconded by Clark to adopt **Resolution No. 11-10:**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JEANNETTE, WESTMORELAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A MASTER LEASE PURCHASE AGREEMENT/EQUIPMENT LEASE WITH FIRST NIAGARA LEASING INC. AND/OR RELATED INSTRUMENTS, AND DETERMINING OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH**

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

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

The chair declared the motion carried.

4. A motion was made by Busato and seconded by Clark to direct the Community Development Director to advertise for bids for the South Sixth Street Sidewalk Project 2011.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

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

The chair declared the motion carried.

5. A motion was made by Clark and seconded by Dinsmore to hire Charles Miller as a regular firefighter effective immediately following a physical examination at a rate of \$11.87 per hour.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

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

The chair declared the motion carried.

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**NEW BUSINESS: (continued)**

6. A motion was made by Dinsmore and seconded by Clark to grant permission to block off the 500 Block of Birch Street on Saturday, August 13, 2011 from 3:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. for a Summer Block Party.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Dinsmore, Clark, Busato, Carter 4

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

7. A motion was made by Busato and seconded by Clark to approve the Westmoreland Cleanways 2011 Household Hazardous Waste Collection Sponsorship Agreement.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Dinsmore, Clark, Busato, Carter 4

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

8. A motion was made by Clark and seconded by Dinsmore to approve the Westmoreland Transit Local Share Assessment for the fiscal year 2011-2012.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Dinsmore, Clark, Busato, Carter 4

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

9. A motion was made by Dinsmore and seconded by Busato to send City Clerk, Michael J. Minyon, Jr. to a PLGIT Seminar on "Health Care Plan Designs" on Thursday, September 8, 2011, at a cost of \$50. Mr. Minyon will use his own vehicle at no cost to the City of Jeannette.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Dinsmore, Clark, Busato, 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 7:40 p.m.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Dinsmore, Clark, Busato, Carter 4

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.