

**JEANNETTE CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
MINUTES**

**WEDNESDAY  
February 8, 2012  
6:09 P.M.**

**ORDER:** Mayor Robert Carter called the meeting to order at 6:09 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** William Bedont, Mark Levander, Mark Clark, James Benson, Robert Carter

**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 Matijevic, Fire Chief;  
Sam Casino Jr., City Treasurer; Diana Reitz, Community Development Coordinator

**ABSENT WITH CAUSE:** Sam Casino

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG**

*Please remain standing for a moment of silence for Patrick Cantine, former City of Jeannette Call Firefighter, Jeannette Auxiliary Policeman, and Jeannette Recreation member, who passed away February 1, 2012. 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 Bedont to accept the agenda as presented.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Bedont, Levander, Clark, Benson, Carter 5

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

**MINUTES:**

A motion was made by Bedont and seconded by Clark to accept the minutes of the January 25, 2012 Regular Meeting.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Bedont, Levander, Clark, Benson, Carter 5

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

**CITIZENS:**

- Chuck Highlands – North Second Street – Welcomed Benson; question Joe Matijevic and Brad Shepler on the fires; Brad said persons of interest were interviewed and that Brad is the point of contact; commented on the employees compensation.
- Veryl Ghrist – Division Street – South Fifth Street is bad; Rich, Joe and Brad are doing a great job.
- Beth Teacher – 1021 N. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street – complaint on sink hole in her alley.
- John Busato – North Forth Street – Street paving project should start now; welcomed new council.
- Kathy Tanyer – 802 Laura Street – asked why the City of Jeannette was not looking into the Act 90 Blighted Property Act.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

1. Letter requesting re-appointment to the Redevelopment Authority - Hoffman
2. Letter from Westmoreland County Firemen's Association.
3. Letter of Resignation – Joe Brown

**OFFICER REPORTS:**

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

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Bedont, Levander, Clark, Benson, Carter 5  
NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

**BILLS:**

A motion was made by Bedont and seconded by Levander 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: Bedont, Levander, Clark, Benson, Carter 5  
NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

Mr. Bedont: Comment on the Budget of 2012 – we are in better shape than the budget told us.

Mr. Levander: Exciting first month of 2012 – Commented on Columbia Court – April 14 cleanup – Need volunteers – call Mary Jo DePalma.

Mr. Clark: New swing on 6<sup>th</sup> Street Playground

Mr. Benson: Thank you for the warm welcome – Thanked Rich Ault – saved over \$50,000 because of mild winter – mentioned road project.

Mr. Carter: New phone system by the next meeting – finances in order – comments on city hall being cleaned and painted.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. A motion was made by Clark and seconded by Bedont to adopt Bill No. 12-01 as

**Ordinance 12-01:**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JEANNETTE FIXING THE LEVELS OF EMPLOYEES OF ALL DEPARTMENTS OF THE CITY OF JEANNETTE AND THE RATES OF COMPENSATION THEREOF FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2012.**

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Bedont, Levander, Clark, Benson, Carter 5  
NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. A motion was made by Levander and seconded by Clark to approve 1<sup>st</sup> time homebuyer application # 117.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Bedont, Levander, Clark, Benson, Carter 5  
NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS: (continued)**

2. A motion was made by Bedont and seconded by Clark to reappoint Mr. William F. Hoffman, Jr. to the Redevelopment Authority. Said term to expire 12/31/15.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Bedont, Levander, Clark, Benson, Carter 5

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

3. A motion was made by Benson and seconded by Bedont to accept with regret the resignation of Mr. Joseph Brown, Parking Lot Attendant.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Bedont, Levander, Clark, Benson, Carter 5

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

A motion was made by Clark and seconded by Bedont to adjourn the meeting at 7:14 p.m.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Bedont, Levander, Clark, Benson, Carter 5

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.