## JEANNETTE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

WEDNESDAY October 10, 2012 6:05 P.M.

**ORDER:** Mayor Robert Carter called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

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

**ABSENT WITH CAUSE:** Robert Carter

**ALSO PRESENT:** Michael J. Minyon, Jr., City Clerk; Scott Avolio, City Solicitor;

Edward L. Antonacci, City Engineer; Rich Ault, City Foreman; Joseph Matijevic, Fire Chief; Brad Shepler, Chief of Police;

Sam Casino Jr., City Treasurer; Diana Reitz, Community Development Coordinator

**ABSENT WITH CAUSE:** Scott Avolio, Brad Shepler, Sam Casino Jr.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG

Please remain standing for a moment of reflection for men and women in the armed services.

## **AGENDA:**

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

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Bedont, Levander, Clark, Benson 4 NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

#### **MINUTES:**

A motion was made by Clark and seconded by Levander to accept the minutes of the September 12, 2012 Regular Meeting.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Bedont, Levander, Clark, Benson 4 NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

#### **CITIZENS:**

- Chuck Highlands North Second Street Commented on sidewalks on Division Street, Auxiliary Police and Garbage Ordinance
- Leonard Galante 801 Scott Avenue Comment on Hoffman Kennels
- Betsy Cassatt Avenue Comment on garbage bags and stray cats
- Kathy Tanyer 803 Laura Street Comment on Hoffman Kennels; Jeannette's 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and Basket Bash on October 20.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS:**

- 1. Letter of resignation from the Zoning Board- Solicitor Justin Walsh
- 2. Request for appointment to Redevelopment Authority and/or Zoning Board Corey Tragesser
- 3. Request for appointment to Redevelopment Authority Charles Highlands
- 4. Letter of thanks from the Elliott Company.

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### **OFFICER REPORTS:**

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

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Bedont, Levander, Clark, Benson 4 NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

#### **BILLS:**

A motion was made by Bedont 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: Bedont, Levander, Clark, Benson 4 NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

#### **DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

Mr. Bedont: Turned solvency report in to Deluzio two weeks ago.

Paid big expenses. Centax owes \$90,000.

Mr. Levander: Read Rich Sanner's report on Property Maintenance.

Garbage Bags – before the end of November – contact City Clerk

Single Stream Recycling

Fire Department Wellness Program

Mr. Clark: Jeannette Recreation Halloween Parade is Tuesday Oct. 30 at 7:00; Trick or Treat

is Wednesday, October 31 from 6-8 p.m. (This was because of the Jeannette

Central Game the week before)

Nancy Peters will work M – Thurs only 8-4 (No Fridays)

Mr. Benson: Thanked Richie regarding the Paving Project

Leaves will be picked up week of November 5, 2012 and week of November 19, 2012 on

your regular pick up day.

Mr. Carter: NOT PRESENT - NO REPORT

# **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

None

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. A motion was made by Clark and seconded by Benson to approve an agreement with Hoffman's Boarding Kennels for Stray Feline Service and Stray Dog Service, **but later was tabled for review of any new kennels.** 

A roll call vote was taken to table resulting as follows:

YEA: Bedont, Levander, Clark, Benson 4 NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

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#### **NEW BUSINESS: (continued)**

2. A motion was made by Clark and seconded by Bedont to accept the letter of resignation from Zoning Hearing Board Solicitor Justin Walsh.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Bedont, Levander, Clark, Benson 4 NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

3. A motion was made by Bedont and seconded by Benson to approve *Resolution # 12-05:*A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JEANNETTE CITY COUNCIL APPROVING THE BUDGET REVISIONS AND MODIFICATIONS TO THE FISCAL YEARS 2009, 2010, AND 2011 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM YEARS.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Bedont, Levander, Clark, Benson 4 NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

4. A motion was made by Levander and seconded by Bedont to approve

# **Resolution #12-06:**

A RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE CITY OF JEANNETTE, WESTMORELAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AUTHORIZING, EMPOWERING AND DIRECTING THE PROPER OFFICERS OF THE GOVERNING BOARD TO APPOINT BERKHEIMER AS ITS TAX HEARING OFFICER UNDER AND PURSUANT TO THE LOCAL TAXPAYERS BILL OF RIGHTS FOR THE EXPRESS PURPOSE OF ADJUDICATING APPEALS THEREUNDER.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Bedont, Levander, Clark, Benson 4 NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

5. A motion was made by Benson and seconded by Levander to approve *Resolution #12-07:* 

A RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE CITY OF JEANNETTE, WESTMORELAND COUNTY PENNSYLVANIA, AUTHORIZING, EMPOWERING AND DIRECTING THE PROPER OFFICERS OF THE GOVERNING BOARD TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH BERKHEIMER WHEREUNDER BERKHEIMER IS RETAINED AS THE EXCLUSIVE TAX COLLECTOR FOR THE COLLECTION OF CERTAIN TAXES FOR THE TERM HEREIN DEFINED, TOGETHER WITH SUCH EXTENSIONS AS MAY BE AGREED UPON, SAID TAX ENACTMENT HAVING BEEN ADOPTED UNDER AND PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF THE PENNSYLVANIA LOCAL TAX ENABLING ACT

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Bedont, Levander, Clark, Benson 4 NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

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## **NEW BUSINESS: (continued)**

| 6. | A motion was made by Clark and seconded by Bedont to appoint Charles Highland  |
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|    | to fill the unexpired term on the Redevelopment Authority. Said term to expire |
|    | December 31, 2013.   |

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Bedont, Levander, Clark, Benson 4 NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

7. A motion was made by Clark and seconded by Benson to appoint Corey Tragesser to fill the unexpired term on the Zoning Hearing Board. Said term to expire December 31, 2013.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Bedont, Levander, Clark, Benson 4 NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

8. A motion was made by Bedont and seconded by Clark to approve a Fundraising Agreement between The City of Jeannette and the Westmoreland County Food Bank.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Bedont, Levander, Clark, Benson 4 NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

9. A motion was made by Levander and seconded by Clark to approve the agreement between the City of Jeannette and the Jeannette School District to provide Auxiliary Police for sporting events.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Bedont, Levander, Clark, Benson 4
NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

## **ADJOURNMENT:**

A motion was made by Bedont and seconded by Levander to adjourn the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Bedont, Levander, Clark, Benson 4 NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.