

**JEANNETTE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES**

**WEDNESDAY
February 13, 2013
6:07 P.M.**

ORDER: Mayor Robert Carter called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Mark Levander, Mark Clark, William Bedont, Kathie Tanyer, 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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG

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

CASA representatives presents their "Open House" here at Jeannette Community Room on Thursday, February 21, 2013 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

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: Levander, Clark, Bedont, Carter	4
ABSTAIN: Tanyer	1
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 24, 2013 Regular Council Meeting.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Levander, Clark, Bedont, Carter	4
ABSTAIN: Tanyer	1
NAY: None	0

The chair declared the motion carried.

Before the Citizen's portion of the meeting, Mayor Robert Carter took full responsibility for the lack of proper notification of the garbage bag usage. He explained why the garbage bags were implemented and explained that residents would pay for their own usage instead of a set increase across the board for all citizens. Mayor Carter also addressed the crowd on the "Wrong Way Parking" Tickets being enforced. He said it is a state law and this has been mentioned at previous council meetings as far back as September 2012 that this law would be enforced.

CITIZENS:

Chuck Highlands – North Second Street – Welcomed Kathy Tanyer; comment on Garbage Bag Impact; Trigona Tax; Delta Report; Question on Delta; mentioned two clerks are gone.

Bruce Busato – 614 Division Street – commented that the garbage total was too much in the paper; he supports restaurants in the City.

Martin Kerr – 920 Linden Drive – commented on trash bags; two weeks trash was not taken away; this is not enticing people to come into Jeannette.

Betsy – 15th Street – Garbage Bag Issues; cars on sidewalk in West Jeannette.

Joan Fresch - North First Street – Bags are a great idea; Latrobe uses stickers; what is the Jeannette Website? www.Cityofjeannette.com; no communication in the city – should have sent out fliers on garbage bags.

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Citizens (continued)

Pam Cochella – Gaskill Avenue- Decisions made are in the best interest of the City; Enforce other ordinances – snow on sidewalks; 9/30/13 Neighbor parked too close to her car – Officer returned her call – did not want to ticket person; Applauds sweeps; Five cars parked in wrong direction and officer did not stop; Wants to keep the red light on Gaskill.

Ronald Dinsmore – 412 Jane Street- mentioned that the Delta Group Early Intervention – they have 22 years’ experience – commented on people being hired in the police department and fire department; Mercantile Privilege Tax – still not updated; mention a motion to suspend curbside pick and it died for a lack of a second motion; also a motion to sell unused vehicles; Gave figures and data regarding City of Jeannette figures.

Lenny Cranston – 221 North First Street – No one took his recycling; we need drop off receptacles; mentioned City Council has no obligation to inform citizens of ordinance changes.

Frank Drury – 813 North Second Street – Wants one way parking on North Second Street to Rosalyn.

John Carl – Margaret Street – commented on the Garbage Bags (Mr. Carl is a Public works employee who collects the garbage)

James Broker – North 7th Street – wants to know why the website is not updated; commented on recycling; putting the stop sign on Gaskill was a wise choice; we need continuous enforcement.

Ken Brinton – Arlington Avenue – the police have better things to do than to write tickets; who is enforcing the garbage bags? Who is writing citations?

Mr. Durbiano – Mayor and council have a difficult job; We must live within our means; We must move forward with some type of urgency; we need community volunteers.

Marie Tyger – 17 Division Street – Mimi’s expanded; we have the new Jeannette Computer Depot; Ice on East Division Street – Rich Ault said we have communication with the Water Authority.

Mr.DeGuffroy – Greenwood Street – Parking on wrong side wrong way is not an ordinance – it is a State Law.

Mrs. Brinton – 600 Harrison – 2nd Street light is out; pot holes paved on Margaret Street; welcomed people to City – like a Welcome Wagon.

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Letter requesting appointment to the Zoning Hearing Board – Milliron
2. Letter requesting appointment to the Redevelopment Authority – Bittner
3. Letter requesting appointment to the Recreation Board – Sherrill
4. Letter from Jeannette Community Days Committee requesting use of Magee Avenue Parking Lot.

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: Levander, Clark, Bedont, Tanyer, Carter 5

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: Levander, Clark, Bedont, Tanyer, Carter 5

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Mr. Levander:

- Disposal of computers, etc – Act of January 14, 2013
- Commented on recycling
- Welcomed Kathie Tanyer

Mr. Clark:

- Welcomed Kathie Tanyer
- Thank you for Mardi Gras turnout
- Wheeling Trip – February 21, 2013 - \$20 and you get \$25 back
- Easter Egg Hunt at Altman Park on March 30, 2013

Mr. Bedont:

- Welcomed Kathie Tanyer
- Spoke about revision of the 2013 Budget

Mrs. Tanyer:

Mr. Carter:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

1. A motion was made by Clark and seconded by Bedont to accept the letter of resignation of Kathie Tanyer from her position on the Zoning Hearing Board.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Levander, Clark, Bedont, Carter	4
ABSTAIN: Tanyer	1
NAY: None	0

The chair declared the motion carried.

2. A motion was made by Clark and seconded by Bedont to approve Façade Application #2, contingent upon PA SPHO Receipt of review and approval.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

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

The chair declared the motion carried.

3. A motion was made by Bedont and seconded by Clark to approve the 2012 Conduit and South Sixth Street Sewer Tap Installation Project to:

T.S.B., d/b/a SCHULTHEIS ELECTRIC, 304 SANFORD STREET, LATROBE, PA 15650, IN THE TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$77,937.64.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

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

The chair declared the motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

4. A motion was made by Tanyer and seconded by Clark to approve the use of the City Parking Lot for the City of Jeannette Community Days Festivities starting Sunday, July 21, 2013 through and including Sunday, July 28, 2013. At least two weeks prior to July 21, 2013, the Jeannette Community Days Committee must present to the City Clerks Office an Insurance Policy for the Fireworks Display naming the City of Jeannette and LRG Corporation as an additional insurer. Also, the Community Days Committee must present to the Office of the City Clerk a Liability Insurance Policy at least two weeks prior to the event. The Committee must contact the City Clerk's Office to arrange electricity and water availability at the city parking lot; the Police Chief to arrange traffic control and security; the Fire Chief to coordinate the Fireworks Display and the City Foreman to arrange for dumpsters.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

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

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

5. A motion was made by Levander and seconded by Clark to have BIU (Building Inspection Underwriters) conduct Fire Safety Inspections contingent upon final review by the City Solicitor.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Levander, Clark, Bedont, Tanyer, 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 8:02 p.m.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

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

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.