WEDNESDAY AUGUST 13, 2014 6:00 P.M.

ORDER: Mayor Richard Jacobelli called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Richard Jacobelli, Mark Clark, William Bedont, Mark Levander, Gabriel Homan

ALSO PRESENT: Scott Avolio, City Solicitor; Edward L. Antonacci, City Engineer; Rich Ault, City

Foreman; Joseph Matijevic, Fire Chief; Shannon Binda, Chief of Police; Diana

M. Reitz, Community Development Coordinator

<u>ABSENT WITH CAUSE</u>: Cindy Booley, Assistant to the City Clerk; Rich Sanner, Property Maintenance Officer, Michael Nestico, City Treasurer

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG

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

Please continue to remain standing for a moment of silence to honor the passing of retired

Captain Francis Michael "Fritz" Simola who served 38 years in the Police Department from 1967 to 2005

AGENDA:

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

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Jacobelli, Bedont, Levander, Homan, Clark 5 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 **July 9, 2014** Regular Council Meeting.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Jacobelli, Bedont, Levander, Homan, Clark 5 NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

CITIZENS:

<u>Chuck Highlands</u> - 507 North 2nd Street – What will be the City Manager's wages? Since he is under a contract with the City, is he an "at will" employee? What is the City Manager's start date?

<u>Suleiman Farraj</u> – 312 N. 2nd Street_– questioned the city again about purchasing the alley.

6:50 p.m. – Interrupted meeting: Swearing in of Bryan DeFelice

Restart meeting at 6:55 p.m.

<u>Greg Hall Jr.</u> – 114 ½ - 12th Street - requesting closure of portion of 12th Street to Mapleton Avenue for Block Party on August 23rd, 2014.

<u>Leonard Lander</u> –1116 Rankin Avenue – Thanked Fire Chief, City Foreman and Randy Highlands, EMS, for a quick response to a fire call at St. Vincent DePaul Store, 637 Clay Avenue.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- 1. Letter of request from Father's Heart Ministries for use of Third Street Parking Lot.
- 2. Letter of request from Father's Heart Ministries for use of Third Street Parking Lot for Back to School Outreach Program.
- 3. Thank you to Rich Sanner.
- 4. Police Department thank you to Barry Sunder.
- 5. Letter from Jacob Milliron requesting City Controller position.
- 6. Letter from Gregory Hall, Jr., requesting block party.

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: Jacobelli, Clark, Bedont, Levander, Homan 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: Jacobelli, Clark, Bedont, Levander, Homan 5 NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Mr. Levander: Thanked Captain Miller for his service. Stated the activities happening in Jeannette, such as, Zion Property, Monsour and Jeannette Hospital.

Mr. Homan: September 8th, 2014 concludes the pick-up of 1 (0ne) large item for free. Large items will be picked up after Sept. 8th with the purchase of stickers at the City Treasurer's Office. – Council will be reviewing hiring or not hiring a full-time fire fighter.

Mr. Clark: Playgrounds are now done. Amy Guzik has resigned as Recreation Director. She got a job in her major. We will be looking at hiring another Recreation Director but in the meantime, Nancy Peters will provide about 15 hours a week to the department.

<u>Mr. Bedont</u>: City paid MMO, Looking at the budget and knowing what we know now, we should have raised the EIT to 2% instead of 1.5%. There is a brightly colored suggestion/complaint box in the Treasurer's Department

Mr. Jacobelli – Talked about hiring of a "City Manager". Discussed street projects and working with Columbia Gas.

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

1. A motion was made by **Clark** and seconded by **Homan** to approve First Time Homebuyer #129.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Jacobelli, Clark, Bedont, Levander, Homan 5 NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried

2. A motion was made by **Clark** and seconded by **Bedont** to approve Job Development Loan Application #10, contingent upon financial commitment letter from Lending Institution.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Jacobelli, Clark, Bedont, Levander, Homan 5 NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

3. A motion was made by **Homan** and seconded by **Levander** to adopt **Resolution** #14-07:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JEANNETTE, WESTMORELAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AUTHORIZING APPROPRIATE CITY OFFICIALS OF THE CITY OF JEANNETTE, ELECTRONIC ACCESS TO PENNDOT SYSTEMS REGARDING THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Jacobelli, Clark, Bedont, Levander, Homan 5 NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

4. A motion was made by **Levander** and seconded by **Homan** to appoint **Jacob Milliron** as City Controller pending a background investigation.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Jacobelli, Clark, Bedont, Levander, Homan 5 NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

5 A motion was made by **Homan** and seconded by **Levander** to hire **Robert Watkins** as a part-time firefighter pending passing a physical examination by the City's Physician. A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Jacobelli, Clark, Bedont, Levander, Homan 5 NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

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BUSINESS: (continued)	
6. A Motion was made by Bedont and seconded by G Bruce Jamison the City Manager for the City of Je of an employment agreement with the Jeannette City A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows: YEA: Jacobelli, Bedont, Levander, Homan, Clark NAY: None The chair declared the motion carried.	eannette and authorizing the execution ity Manager
 7. A motion was made by Bedont and seconded by L and Avolio Law Group LLC as the City Solicitor an hourly rate of \$110/hr. for services provided our meetings of City Council. A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows: 	at a monthly retainer of \$795/mo. and
YEA: Jacobelli, Clark, Bedont, Levander, Homai	
NAY: None The chair declared the motion carried.	0
8. A motion was made by Bedont and seconded by C Ordinance of the City of Jeannette amending Ordinance 1 compensation of the City Clerk, City Foreman, Communit Solicitor for the remainder of the calendar year 2014. A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:	13-05 and 14-01 by adjusting the
YEA: Jacobelli, Clark, Bedont, Levander, Homan	n 5
NAV. None	0

NAY: None

The chair declared the motion carried

9. A motion was made by **Bedont** and seconded by **Clark** to approve the blocking off of 12th Street to Mapleton Avenue for a block party on August 23rd, 2014 from 12 p.m. to 10 p.m., pursuant to Police and Fire approval. .

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Jacobelli, Clark, Bedont, Levander, Homan 5 NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried

10. A motion was made by **Levander** and seconded by **Clark** to approve the request from Father's Heart Ministries for the use of the 3rd Street Parking Lot on Saturday, August 23rd, 2014 from 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. to hold their 4th Annual Back-to-School Outreach event.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Jacobelli, Clark, Bedont, Levander, Homan 5 NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried

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NEW BUSINESS: (continued)

11. A motion was made by **Levander** and seconded by **Clark** to approve the request from Father's Heart Ministries for the use of the 3rd Street Parking Lot on Friday, August 29th, 2014 and Friday, September 26th, 2014 from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. to hold an Outdoor Service

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Jacobelli, Clark, Bedont, Levander, Homan 5 NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried

ADJOURNMENT:

A Motion was made by **Homan** and seconded by **Bedont** to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m. A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Jacobelli, Clark, Bedont, Levander, Homan 5 NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.