

JEANNETTE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES

WEDNESDAY
SEPTEMBER 10, 2014
6:00 P.M.

ORDER: Mayor Richard Jacobelli called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

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

ALSO PRESENT: Bruce Jamison, City Manager; Scott Avolio, City Solicitor; Edward L. Antonacci, City Engineer; Rich Sanner, Property Maintenance Officer, Rich Ault, City Foreman; Joseph Matijevic, Fire Chief; Shannon Binda, Chief of Police; Jacob Milliron, City Controller, Michael Nestico, City Treasurer
Diana M. Reitz, Community Development Coordinator

ABSENT WITH CAUSE:

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 the swearing in of Jacob Milliron as City Controller.*

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: 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 **Bedont** to accept the minutes of the **August 13th, 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:

Chuck Highlands: - 507 North 2nd Street – Welcome Mr. Jamison – EIT to 2% - out of line increasing – toward all 3 pensions combined. – Bruce – talk about the 2015 MMO – 6th St Program – No Action – per Diana – will start again

Randy Highlands – Westmoreland Avenue – How is the 2% going to help him – 2.5% is max on EIT
Denise Holmes – Scott Avenue- infestation Sept. vegetation Notice – 7 days to clean-up. – Health Board Officer –Howley – Joe always had a roach problem. – 710 N. 8th Street – overgrown – suspicious vehicles.

Kathie Tanver –803 Laura Street – Sunday, Sept. 14th – Clay Avenue Clean-up – 610 – School – 240 – City – 150 –County

Leonard Galante – 801 Scott Avenue – diligent on roaches – pulled son out of school district – doing a good job – sons of

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COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Letter from Sacred Heart requesting use of Magee Avenue Parking Lot for a Rosary Rally on Saturday, October 11th, 2014.
2. Letter requesting use of the Magee Avenue Parking Lot – PHOMOAS LLC
3. Letter requesting use of the Magee Avenue Parking Lot – Westmoreland Food Bank.
4. Letter from Recreation Department requesting dates for the Halloween, Trick or Treating and Christmas Parade.

OFFICER REPORTS:

A motion was made by **Bedont** and seconded by **Levander** 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: Welcome Jamison and Milliron – street dept – projects going on – Bill taking rap on EIT increase – Credit to Bill B. – commend him.

Mr. Homan: Large free item – Leaf Collection – Recycle in shop.- Fire – 579 incidents – 179 inspections – Fire Prevention Week - Fire Fighter - Survival Training Course. - .

Mr. Clark: Clean-up at Altman Park – 60 Gallons of Paint – PPG – Pizza – Ricky’s – Last Tuesday of month – NPP – Homan – List of Items. – Wheeling, Sept. 15th, 2014.

Mr. Bedont: Numbers on Cabinet – Paid more in MMO – 4.33 Million – Revenues – Out of Act 47

Mr. Jacobelli – Welcomed new Manager/Controller – solicit new business – Rigone – overview of hospital.

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. A motion was made by **Bedont** and seconded by **Clark** to adopt Bill No. 14-06 as **Ordinance No. 14-06.**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JEANNETTE AMENDING ORDINANCE 13-05 AND 14-01 BY ADJUSTING THE COMPENSATION OF THE CITY CLERK, CITY FOREMAN, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR AND CITY SOLICITOR FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE CALENDAR YEAR 2014.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. A motion was made by **Levander** and seconded by **Bedont** to grant permission to the Catholic Churches of Jeannette to conduct a Rosary Rally in the Magee Avenue Parking Lot on **Saturday, October 11th, 2014** at noon until tentatively 2:00 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

2. A motion was made by **Homan** and seconded by **Clark** to permit the Westmoreland County Food Bank to use the Magee Avenue Parking Lot on **Thursday, September 18th, 2014 and Monday, November 24th, 2014** for two "**Operation Fresh Express Distributions**". The Westmoreland County Food Bank must present to the Office of the City Clerk/Manager a Liability Insurance Policy naming the City of Jeannette as additional insured, no later than ten days before each 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.

3. A motion was made by **Clark** and seconded by **Bedont** to schedule the **Jeannette Halloween parade for Wednesday, October 29th, 2014**, at 7:00 p.m.; **Trick or Treat Night for Thursday, October 30th, 2014** from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. ; and the **Christmas Parade for Wednesday, December 3rd, 2014**, at 7:00 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.

4. A motion was made by **Bedont** and seconded by **Homan** to exonerate any current and past due city real estate taxes due on property known as **Tax Map 14-01-11-0-077** from the tax year 2007 to present; and authorization to request exoneration of the county real estate taxes on the same parcel from tax year 2004 to present.

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)

- 5 A motion was made by **Levander** and seconded by **Bedont** to approve, under the Auditor General's Rules and Regulations, in the month of September, the MMO's for 2015.

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.

6. A Motion was made by **Bedont** and seconded by **Levander** to increase the Earned Income Tax to 2%, requires Ordinance -14-07/14-07 Caption of ordinance.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Bedont, Levander 2
NAY: Jacobelli, Clark, Homan 3

The chair declared the motion carried.

7. A motion was made **by Clark** and seconded by **Bedont** to direct the Community Development Coordinator to advertise for 2014 Demolition Project #2.

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.

8. A motion was made by **Homan** and seconded by **Levander** to revise the City of Jeannette's current First Time Homebuyer Program guidelines.

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 **Levander** and seconded by **Bedont** to adjourn the meeting at 7:03 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.