

**JEANNETTE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES**

**WEDNESDAY
April 8, 2015
6:00 P.M.**

ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Jacobelli

ROLL CALL: Gabriel Homan, Mark Clark, Ron Smith, Mark Levander, Richard Jacobelli

ALSO PRESENT: 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 Reitz, Community Development Coordinator

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG

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

AGENDA:

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

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Homan, Clark, Levander, Jacobelli 4
NAY: Smith 1

The chair declared the motion carried.

MINUTES:

A motion was made by Levander and seconded by Homan to accept the Minutes of the March 11, 2015 Meeting.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

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

The chair declared the motion carried.

CITIZENS:

Chuck Highlands – North Second Street – questioned on how much the City Clerk (Kathie Tanyer) was getting paid. (\$1,200 per annum)

Ronald Dinsmore – 412 Jane Street – questioned why Number 9 under New Business was removed; Street openings on Jane Street should be fixed; Utilities were opened in the street and were not corrected; requesting that council does not pass Ordinance 15-03 (landlord Ordinance).

Lenora Kosinko – Jeannette Manor – Needs camera on each floor of the Jeannette Manor; a lot of drug activity; worried about the handicap people; Emily – (manager of Jeannette Manor) will talk to authorities.

David Parsons – 607 North 14th Street Extension – Why isn't every house inspected?

Pam Kochella – Gaskill Avenue – Complained that her neighbor rents to a sexual predator; Landlord Ordinance is long overdue.

Ron Dinsmore – 412 Jane Street – Wanted to speak again and the Mayor said "no".

Kathie Tanver – 803 Laura Street – Is agreeing on the two year inspections.

Ron Dinsmore – 412 Jane Street – He said he didn't get his five minutes. The Mayor told him to sit down. Mayor told him to go in the last row and he will call him up. Ron went to last row. Mayor called him up and his question was "Why do you always keep hitting your gavel?"

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Letter from Ascension Church requesting alley closing.

OFFICER REPORTS:

A motion was made by Smith and seconded by Levander to accept the Officer Reports:

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

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

The chair declared the motion carried.

BILLS:

A motion was made by Homan and seconded by Clark to pay the bills as presented.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Homan, Clark, Smith, Levander, Jacobelli 5

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Mr. Homan: Paid \$126,000 into the MMO for 2013; 2013 MMO completely paid off; Owe \$126,458.00 for the 2014 MMO but paid \$50,000 today and will owe \$76,458.00; Property taxes - we are \$336,000 ahead; EIT Balance – Act 511 is \$185,536.00 and Act 205 is \$200,757.00

Mr. Clark: The Recreation Department is hiring a maintenance person and a Recreation Director.

Thanked Lou Altieri and the Horn Family for doing the Easter Egg Hunt – Nice Weather.

Mr. Smith: Fire Dept. – Joe Matijevic had 197 Incidents; 2 Fires – 29 inspections – Talked about the Ordinance. Rich Ault gave report on Sanitation – 229.29 tons in March – 12 Tons per day.

Mr. Levander: Five Catch Basin Repairs; Clean-up is three Saturdays in June – commented on the one large item pick up.

Mr. Jacobelli: Spoke about the Comprehensive Plan – Open discussions April through September 30 – Police Chief Binda said he had 466 incidents, 15 arrests, 1,199 calls for service; Gun Locks – can be given out three person limit.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. A motion was made by Homan and seconded by Jacobelli to adopt Bill No. 15-03 as **Ordinance No. 15-03:**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JEANNETTE, WESTMORELAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, REGULATING THE RESPONSIBILITY OF RENTAL PROPERTY COMPLIANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA AND LOCAL ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR A SYSTEM OF INSPECTIONS, THE ISSUANCE AND RENEWAL OF OCCUPANCY LICENSES AND ESTABLISHING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF. BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JEANNETTE, WESTMORELAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AND IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE AUTHORITY OF SAME.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Homan, Jacobelli 2

NAY: Clark, Smith, Levander 3

The chair declared the motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. A motion was made by Clark and seconded by Smith to permit Ascension Church to block the alley coming off of Mill Street for the Annual Italian Festival on Saturday, July 11, 2015 and Sunday, July 12, 2015.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Homan, Clark, Smith, Levander, Jacobelli 5

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS: (continued)

2. A motion was made by Homan and seconded by Clark to renew the lease agreement with Total Services Inc. for three copiers at City Hall for a 60 Month lease.
A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:
YEA: Homan, Clark, Smith, Levander, Jacobelli 5
NAY: None 0
The chair declared the motion carried.

3. A motion was made by Levander and seconded by Clark to approve the 2015 Demolition Project #1 to Excavation Contracting by Eremic, Inc. d/b/a/ Eveready Contracting, 1644 Beighley Road, Apollo, PA 15613 in the total contract amount of \$43,480.00.
A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:
YEA: Homan, Clark, Smith, Levander, Jacobelli 5
NAY: None 0
The chair declared the motion carried.

4. A motion was made by Smith and seconded by Clark to authorize the mayor to execute a letter of intent for participation in the FREE/ PennSef Program.
A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:
YEA: Homan, Clark, Smith, Levander, Jacobelli 5
NAY: None 0
The chair declared the motion carried.

6. A motion was made by Levander and seconded by Homan to investigate the hiring of an additional Police Officer contingent upon the signed agreement between the City of Jeannette and the Jeannette School District for the School Resource Officer Program.
A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:
YEA: Homan, Clark, Smith, Levander, Jacobelli 5
NAY: None 0
The chair declared the motion carried.

7. A motion was made by Levander and seconded by Clark to approve Job Development Loan Application #14 in the amount of \$15,000.00; subject to final review by the city solicitor.
A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:
YEA: Homan, Clark, Smith, Levander, Jacobelli 5
NAY: None 0
The chair declared the motion carried.

8. A motion was made by Smith and seconded by Homan to approve Job Development Loan Application #15 in the amount not to exceed \$10,000; subject to final review by the City Solicitor.
A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:
YEA: Homan, Clark, Smith, Levander, Jacobelli 5
NAY: None 0
The chair declared the motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS: (continued)

9. A motion was made by Homan and seconded by Clark to appoint Kathie Tanyer as City Clerk.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Homan, Clark, Smith, Levander, Jacobelli 5

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Levander and seconded by Smith to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Homan, Clark, Smith, Levander, Jacobelli 5

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.