



**CITY OF JEANNETTE  
COUNCIL MEETING**  
Council Chambers  
Wednesday, April 12, 2017 – 6:00 p.m.  
**MINUTES**



**ORDER:** Mayor Jacobelli called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** Ron Smith, Robin Mozley, Charles Highlands, Gabriel Homan, Richard Jacobelli

**ALSO**

**PRESENT:**

| DEPARTMENT                        | NAME                | PRESENT |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|---------|
| CITY MANAGER                      | MICHAEL L. NESTICO  |         |
| CITY SOLICITOR                    | SCOTT E. AVOLIO     |         |
| CITY ENGINEER                     | EDWARD L. ANTONACCI |         |
| POLICE SERGEANT                   | DONALD JOHNSTON     |         |
| CITY FOREMAN                      | RICH AULT           | AWC     |
| FIRE CHIEF                        | VANCE PHILLIPS      |         |
| CITY TREASURER                    | JACOB MILLIRON      |         |
| DEPUTY CHIEF FISCAL OFFICER       | MICHELLE LANGDON    | AWC     |
| COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR | DIANA REITZ         |         |

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG:**

**AGENDA:** A motion was made by Mozley and seconded by Smith to amend the agenda to: Item 4 under New Business - remove word UCC-1 from motion.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Smith, Mozley, Highlands, Homan, Jacobelli 5  
NAY: None 0  
The chair declared the motion carried.

**MINUTES:** A motion was made by Homan and seconded by Highlands to accept the minutes of the March 8, 2017 Meeting

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Smith, Mozley, Highlands, Homan, Jacobelli 5  
NAY: None 0  
The chair declared the motion carried.

**CITIZENS:**

**Nick Melanovich:** 710 Dithridge - wants the Magee Lot from 5 to 9 on Wednesday, April 19, 2017 for the Jeannette Baseball Association. Mayor and Council said no; Arms up for \$150.00

**Sam Varage:** 212 North Second - Paid \$72,000 for his house. Someone might offer \$40,000 for his house. He wants to offer to help to "Bring Jeannette Back".

**Diane Swartz:** 513 Welty Avenue - Jeannette Library - When will the Library get the tax money? Jake Milliron said he placed it in the mail today.



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**COMMUNICATIONS:**

1. Letter from Ascension Church requesting to block off Mill Street Alley for Festival.
2. Letter from the Municipal Authority of Westmoreland County.

**OFFICER REPORTS:**

A motion was made by Mozley and seconded by Homan to accept the Officer Reports.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Smith, Mozley, Highlands, Homan, Jacobelli 5

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

**BILLS:**

A motion was made by Homan and seconded by Highlands to pay the bills for the month.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Smith, Mozley, Highlands, Homan, Jacobelli 5

NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

**Smith** - Public Works Report

**Mozley** - Sanitation Report and Fire Report by Chief Phillips: 210 Fire Incidents; Robert Scott Todd (aka 3 name) is moving and will not be a call fireman any longer for the City of Jeannette.

**Highlands** - Altman Park Walking Track, redo tennis courts, \$12,000 each from city and maybe Penn Township.

**Homan** - gave financial report

**Jacobelli** - Mayor gave his report. Police - Sgt. Johnston - bomb threat at school today, no gun involved.

Manager Announcements:

April 13, 2017 – NPP Meeting at 12pm

April 15, 2017 – Easter Egg Hunt at Altman Field

April 22, 2017 – Jeannette Baseball Opening Day at 9am

May 6, 2017 – Bel-Aire Neighborhood Cleanup at 9am

May 7, 2017 – Altman Park Cleanup

May 21, 2017 – Flower Planting on Clay Avenue

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. A motion was made by Homan and seconded by Smith to appoint Leonard Galante as an alternate board member of the Civil Service Commission.



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| NAY: None                                       | 0 |

The chair declared the motion carried.

2. A motion was made by Mozley 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 8, 2017 and Sunday, July 9, 2017.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

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|---|---|
| YEA: Smith, Mozley, Highlands, Homan, Jacobelli | 5 |
| NAY: None                                       | 0 |

The chair declared the motion carried.

3. A motion was made by Homan and seconded by Highlands to approve façade Application #16 in the amount of \$1,322.88.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

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|---|---|
| YEA: Smith, Mozley, Highlands, Homan, Jacobelli | 5 |
| NAY: None                                       | 0 |

The chair declared the motion carried.

4. A motion was made by Jacobelli and seconded by Highlands to approve the subordination request for Teresa Latourette.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

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|---|---|
| YEA: Smith, Mozley, Highlands, Homan, Jacobelli | 5 |
| NAY: None                                       | 0 |

The chair declared the motion carried.

5. A motion was made by Mozley and seconded by Smith to authorize the Community Development Director to prepare and distribute requests for bid proposals for the 2017 Demolition/Site Clearance Project #1.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

|   |   |
|---|---|
| YEA: Smith, Mozley, Highlands, Homan, Jacobelli | 5 |
| NAY: None                                       | 0 |

The chair declared the motion carried.

6. A motion was made by Homan and seconded by Mozley to authorize the Community Development Director to prepare and distribute requests for bid proposals for the Community Development Block Grant 2016 project better known as the "Clay Avenue Sidewalk Project."

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

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|---|---|
| YEA: Smith, Mozley, Highlands, Homan, Jacobelli | 5 |
| NAY: None                                       | 0 |

The chair declared the motion carried.



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7. A motion was made by Highlands and seconded by Smith to approve garbage exonerations as presented to City Council by City Treasurer Jacob Milliron.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

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|---|---|
| YEA: Smith, Mozley, Highlands, Homan, Jacobelli | 5 |
| NAY: None                                       | 0 |

The chair declared the motion carried.

8. A motion was made by Mozley and seconded by Homan to authorize the City Manager to enter in to a one year contract with the Westmoreland County Department of Planning and Development for consulting services to be provided to the City of Jeannette Planning Commission for a cost of \$5,000.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

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|---|---|
| YEA: Smith, Mozley, Highlands, Homan, Jacobelli | 5 |
| NAY: None                                       | 0 |

The chair declared the motion carried.

9. A motion was made by Smith and seconded by Homan to award the 2017 Street Paving Project to Tresco Paving in the amount of \$293,044.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

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|---|---|
| YEA: Smith, Mozley, Highlands, Homan, Jacobelli | 5 |
| NAY: None                                       | 0 |

The chair declared the motion carried.

10. A motion was made by Homan and seconded by Smith to authorize the City Manager to enter in to a contract for a pre-demolition asbestos survey of the vacant structure located at 507 Clay avenue, at a cost not to exceed \$2,500.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

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|---|---|
| YEA: Smith, Mozley, Highlands, Homan, Jacobelli | 5 |
| NAY: None                                       | 0 |

The chair declared the motion carried.

11. A motion was made by Homan and seconded by Highlands to authorize the City Solicitor to attend the Tax Assessment Appeal hearing on April 20, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. relative to the property owned by Larbon LLC bearing Tax Map No. 14-04-01-0-167-69-001 located at 600 Jefferson Avenue.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

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|---|---|
| YEA: Smith, Mozley, Highlands, Homan, Jacobelli | 5 |
| NAY: None                                       | 0 |

The chair declared the motion carried.

12. A motion was made by Homan and seconded by Highlands to authorize the City Manager to acquire the property bearing Tax Map No. 14-01-11-0-181 known as 1504 Penn Avenue currently held in repository status by the Westmoreland County Tax Claim Bureau.



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NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

13. A motion was made by Homan and seconded by Highlands to authorize the City Manager to acquire the property bearing Tax Map No. 14-01-11-0-080 known as 4 South 14th Street currently held in repository status by the Westmoreland County Tax Claim Bureau.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Smith, Mozley, Highlands, Homan, Jacobelli 5  
NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

14. A motion was made by Homan and seconded by Highlands to authorize the City Manager to acquire the property bearing Tax Map No. 14-01-12-0-087 known as 203 N. 8th Street currently held in repository status by the Westmoreland County Tax Claim Bureau.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Smith, Mozley, Highlands, Homan, Jacobelli 5  
NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

15. A motion was made by Homan and seconded by Highlands to consent to the sale of the property currently being held in repository status by the Westmoreland County Tax Claim Bureau located at 513-515 Clay Avenue bearing tax map number 14-01-16-0-092 to the prospective purchaser, Michael Rohm.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Smith, Highlands, Homan, Jacobelli 4  
NAY: Mozley 1

The chair declared the motion carried.

16. A motion was made by Smith and seconded by Mozley to adopt the Jeannette Police Department compilation of General Orders to be known as the Jeannette Police Department Policy and Procedure Manual.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Smith, Mozley, Highlands, Homan, Jacobelli 5  
NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

17. A motion was made by Homan and seconded by Highlands to adopt **Resolution No. 17-02:**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JEANNETTE AUTHORIZING THE HOUSING  
CONSORTIUM COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF WESTMORELAND.**



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| YEA: Smith, Mozley, Highlands, Homan, Jacobelli | 5 |
| NAY: None                                       | 0 |

The chair declared the motion carried.

18. A motion was made by Homan and seconded by Highlands to approve the subdivision request from James C. Lopes, Jr. to create a single lot merger and consolidation for a buildable lot of record bearing Tax Map No. 14-03-04-0-238, subject to the approval from the Westmoreland County Planning Department.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

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|---|---|
| YEA: Smith, Mozley, Highlands, Homan, Jacobelli | 5 |
| NAY: None                                       | 0 |

The chair declared the motion carried.

19. A motion was made by Highlands and seconded by Smith to authorize the execution of a right-of-way agreement with Dominion Transmission Inc relative to the property further described as follows:

Being a certain tract, or a portion of, being lands described in the Paruco Park Realty Company Plan of Lots and recorded as such, in the Deed Records of the aforementioned County. And being further identified as a road right-of-way, north of lots 39-46.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

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|---|---|
| YEA: Smith, Mozley, Highlands, Homan, Jacobelli | 5 |
| NAY: None                                       | 0 |

The chair declared the motion carried.

20. A motion was made by Highlands and seconded by Smith to authorize the City Manager to execute an agreement with Geokinetics USA, INC granting permission to conduct a 3D seismograph survey on various city parcels.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

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|---|---|
| YEA: Smith, Mozley, Highlands, Homan, Jacobelli | 5 |
| NAY: None                                       | 0 |

The chair declared the motion carried.

21. A motion was made by Smith and seconded by Highlands to authorize the City Manager to advertise for public works department supplemental summer help.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

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| YEA: Smith, Mozley, Highlands, Homan, Jacobelli | 5 |
| NAY: None                                       | 0 |

The chair declared the motion carried.



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22. A motion was made by Highlands and seconded by Smith to approve the use of \$12,000 from General Obligation Bond Funds for contribution toward the inter-governmental cooperation effort for repairs toward Altman Park.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Smith, Mozley, Highlands, Homan, Jacobelli 5  
NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

23. A motion was made by Homan and seconded by Highlands to authorize the City Manager to prepare and distribute a request for sealed competitive bid proposals for the exclusive right to collect and dispose of solid waste, recyclable materials, additional disposal services and customer service and billing collections throughout the City of Jeannette.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Smith, Mozley, Highlands, Homan, Jacobelli 5  
NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.

24. A motion was made by Mozley and seconded by Smith to authorize the purchase of a 2018 Peterbilt garbage truck in the amount of \$162,000, subject to COSTARS verification.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Smith, Mozley 2  
NAY: Highlands, Homan, Jacobelli 3

The chair declared the motion defeated.

25. A motion was made by Mozley and seconded by Smith to authorize the lease of a 2018 Peterbilt garbage truck under an annual lease agreement of \$4,800 per month.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Smith, Mozley 2  
NAY: Highlands, Homan, Jacobelli 3

The chair declared the motion defeated.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

A motion was made by Mozley and seconded by Homan to adjourn the meeting at 7:09 p.m.

A roll call vote was taken resulting as follows:

YEA: Smith, Mozley, Highlands, Homan, Jacobelli 5  
NAY: None 0

The chair declared the motion carried.