

Jeannette City Council
City Council Meeting
Agenda



Thursday
April 14, 2022
6:00 PM

ORDER:

The Mayor Called the meeting to order at

ROLL CALL:

Robin Mozley
Chuck Highlands
Michelle Langdon
Ron Smith (Absent with Cause)
Curtis Antoniak

ALSO, PRESENT:

Controller: *Nancy Peters*
Chief Fiscal Officer: *Ethan Keedy*
City Solicitor: *Timothy Witt*
Chief of Police: *Donald Johnston Jr.*
Code Enforcement: *Bill Whetzel*
City Foreman: *Eddie Cycak*
Fire Chief: *William Frye*
City Engineer: *Edward Antonacci*

ABSENT WITH CAUSE

City Clerk: *Vacant*

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG

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

INVOCATION:

Deacon Tim Witt of Faith Bible Church of Connellsville.

EXCEPTIONS TO OPEN MEETINGS (65 Pa.C.S.A. § 707):

1. Wednesday, March 30th 2022 at 9:00am and at 10am to discuss personnel Matters
2. Tuesday, April 12th 2022 at 12:00pm to discuss personnel matters
3. Thursday April 14th 2022 at 5:50pm to discuss personnel matters

AGENDA:

MINUTES:

March 10th, 2022, and March 22nd, 2022

CITIZENS:

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Letter from Turtle Creek Watershed
2. Letter from Patricia Caralli

OFFICERS REPORTS:

BILLS:

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Mrs. Mozley
Mr. Highlands

Mrs. Langdon
Mr. Smith
Mr. Antoniak

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

1. A motion to approve a letter of support for the Turtle Creek Watershed Association to obtain a Qualified Hydrologic Unit Classification for Turtle Creek.
2. A motion to approve the resignation of Patricia Caralli from the Jeannette Zoning Hearing Board.
3. A motion to accept the resignation of Nathan Bish as City Clerk effective April 14th, 2022.
4. A motion to terminate Eddie Cycak as City Foreman effective April 14th, 2022.
5. A motion to approve the hiring of Rich Ault as a temporary, part time City Foreman at a rate of \$35.00 an hour effective April 18th, 2022, subject to all PMRS and related pension requirements and limitations and the execution of a temporary employment agreement approved by the City Solicitor.
6. A motion to approve reimbursement to Vince Pascarella and Michelle Langdon in the amount of \$35.00 each for the April 22nd Blight Summit registration fee.
7. A motion to approve the 2022 Amphitheater fees as follows for organizations and persons requesting use of the Amphitheater and/or the grass lot in front of the amphitheater as follows:
 - a. Use fee of \$25.00 an hour for certified non-profit organizations based in or operating within the City of Jeannette who will not engage in any commercial activities (including, without limitation, the selling of event tickets or concessions or merchandise at the Amphitheater lot) relating to its use of the Amphitheater and/or the grass lot in front of the Amphitheater.
 - b. Use fee of \$75.00 an hour for all other persons or organizations.
 - c. \$30.00 charge for use of the electricity (in addition to any use fee) subject to additional assessment for excessive use of electricity.
 - d. \$100.00 charge for barricades to be used to obtain any street closures (in addition to any use fee)
8. A motion to approve \$218.77 to Luehm Candy Company for Easter candy with money coming from the Recreation account.
9. A motion to “To approve, appropriate, allocate, and add the sum of \$86,789.78 From the American Rescue Plan bank account to line item 02-400-105 thereby increasing such line item, for the payment to Motorola Solutions on the purchase of the fire department radios and to authorize the payment of the same.

- 10.** A motion to approve \$610.00 to Timothy Witt for work on the Tree and Sediment Grant funds to be taken from the Capital Reserve account.
- 11.** A motion to approve \$247.00 to Antonacci Design Assoc. for work on the Tree and Sediment Grant funds to be taken from the Capital Reserve Account.
- 12.** A motion to approve \$4,012.50 to Antonacci Design Assoc. for work on the LSA Grants funds to be taken from the Capital Reserve Account.
- 13.** A motion to approve \$1,706.25 to Antonacci Design Assoc. for work on the Phase 2 flood project funds to be taken from the Capital Reserve Account.
- 14.** A motion to approve the Police Chief to proceed with the civil service test for a Sergeant for the Jeannette Police Department.
- 15.** A motion to approve the Fire Chief to proceed with conducting a civil service test to create an eligible fireman list.
- 16.** A motion to hold a city-wide clean up week during the week of Monday May 2nd until Friday May 8th, 2022, thus consisting of 5 dumpsters being placed in Magee Lot and being emptied each day, they are full for a maximum of 25 dumpsters.
- 17.** A motion to set up a spring leaf clean up schedule for the following dates: Wednesday May 11th Wednesday May 18th and Wednesday May 25th, 2022.
- 18.** A motion to accept the Community Development Block Grant consulting services from Urban Design Ventures.
- 19.** A motion to appoint Chief Fiscal Officer Ethan Keedy the CDBG Coordinator between the City of Jeannette and Urban Design Ventures.
- 20.** A motion to authorize to advertise bids for the 2022 Community Development Block Grant Demolition Program pending the completion of the ERR, the release of funds, all public hearings and necessary paperwork.
- 21.** A motion to purchase a Stihl push lawnmower and 2 commercial Stihl trimmers from Norwin Rentals for a cost of \$1,643.92 funds to be taken from the Recreation account.
- 22.** A motion to authorize the preparation of a form to accept donations for benches and pavers.
- 23.** A motion to donate \$500.00 to the Jeannette Historical Society.
- 24.** A motion to authorize Antonacci Design Associates to look at School and Elliot Street and prepare a cost estimate on restoration.

25. A motion to “To approve, appropriate, allocate, and add the sum of \$2,944.67 From the American Rescue Plan bank account to line item 02-400-107, thereby increasing such line item, for the payment to Amazon on the purchase of Pedestrian cross walk signs and to authorize the payment of the same.

26. A motion to introduce and approve **Resolution 22-10**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JEANNETTE COUNTY OF WESTMORELAND,
COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF APRIL 2022 AS
“FAIR HOUSING MONTH” IN THE CITY OF JEANNETTE**

27. A motion to introduce and conduct the first reading of **Bill Number 22-03**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JEANNETTE, WESTNORELAND COUNTY, COMMONWEALTH OF
PENNSYLVANIA, UNDER THE LOCAL ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION TAX ASSISTANCE
(LERTA) ACT, ESTABLISHING TAX EXEMPTIONS FROM PROPERTY TAX FOR CERTAIN
DETERIORATED INDUSTRIAL, COMMERCIAL, OR OTHER BUSINESS PROPERTY; DEFINING
ELIGIBLE DETERIORATED AREAS; SETTING A MAXIMUM EXEMPTION AMOUNT AND AN
EXEMPTION SCHEDULE; PROVIDING NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS AND A PROCEDURE FOR
OBTAINING AN EXEMPTION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

28. A motion to conduct the second reading of, and adopt **Ordinance Number 22-03**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JEANNETTE, WESTMORELAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA,
AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 17-04, AS AMENDED, TO INCREASE THE VIOLATION TICKET FINE;
REPEALING INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

ADJOURNMENT:

Ethan Keedy
ACTING CITY CLERK