

Thursday April 8<sup>th</sup> 2021 6:00 PM

#### **ORDER:**

The Mayor called the meeting to order at o6:00 pm

ROLL CALL: ALSO, PRESENT:

Nancy Peters City Clerk: Nathan Benjamin Jay Bish

Ron Smith (Absent with Cause)CFO: Miranda WaugamanRobin MozleyCity Solicitor: Timothy WittChuck HighlandsFire Chief: William Frye

Curtis Antoniak Chief of Police: Shannon Binda

City Engineer: Edward Antonacci City Treasurer: Jacob Milliron Code Enforcement: Bill Whetzel

## ABSENT WITH CAUSE Controller: Sheila Galando

City Foreman: Rich Ault

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG

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

#### **INVOCATION:**

By Paster Bob Ross of Heritage Baptist Church

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

None

#### **AGENDA:**

A motion was made by Peters and seconded by Mozley to accept the agenda as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

(4) YEA: Mozley, Highlands, Peters, Antoniak

(o) NAY: None Motion Carried

#### **MINUTES:**

A motion was made by Mozley and seconded by Smith to accept the meeting minutes of March 11, 2021 and March 23, 2021 as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

(4) YEA: Mozley, Highlands, Peters, Antoniak

(o) NAY: None Motion Carried

#### **CITIZENS:**

**Chief Binda and Officer Ballistreri**: Gave a presentation of the new police drone and welcomed the presence of the Brown family for which this project would not have been possible without.

**Jermaine Morgan:** Wanted to purchase 125 South 13<sup>th</sup> street that was up for tax sale several months ago but was rejected by the city. Would like the council to reconsider that motion on tonight's agenda. Just wants to fix a property up to make it look nice.



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#### **CITIZENS: Continued**

**Kathy Tanyer:** Feels the Trib article regarding the Diana Rietz overpayment and the article regarding the capital reserve account was not appropriate and simply asked the Trib to blame Michelle for those issues. Asks the city to own the issue and take responsibility. To do anything else would be an embarrassment for the city.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS:**

None

#### **OFFICERS REPORTS:**

A motion was made by Antoniak and seconded by Peters at accept the officer's reports as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

(4) YEA: Mozley, Highlands, Peters, Antoniak

(o) NAY: None Motion Carried

#### **BILLS:**

A motion was made by Mozley and seconded by Smith to accept and pay the bills as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

(4) YEA: Mozley, Highlands, Peters, Antoniak

(o) NAY: None Motion Carried

#### **DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

Mrs. Peters: Gave the finance report, Jake Milliron gave the treasurer's report

Mr. Smith: Absent with cause, no streets report at this time

**Mrs. Mozley:** Gave the sanitation report submitted by Rich Ault, free garbage bags are available at city hall for any organization wanting to initiate community clean ups. Chief Frye gave the Fire Department Report

Mr. Highlands: No report at this time

**Mr. Antoniak:** Shooting in Jeannette, investigation is underway. Addressed Kathy Tanyer directly, the Trib acts on their own accord and was not asked to write any story by any city employee. To suggest a conspiracy would be outlandish and false. Chief Binda has no police report at this time. K-9 car will be on the roads shortly. Soon we will be opening the amphitheater and there will be some opportunities to buy bricks or memorial benches.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

No unfinished business



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#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

 A motion was made by Antoniak and seconded by Highlands to approve the appointment of Richard Radomski to the Jeannette Zoning Hearing Board for a term starting April 9, 2021 and ending December 31, 2022.

Roll Call Vote:

(4) YEA: Mozley, Highlands, Peters, Antoniak

(o) NAY: None Motion Carried

2. A motion to approve sale of 125 13th street Jeannette Pa, 15644 to Jeramaine Morgan and Robert Phillips for \$4,000.00

#### No motion, No second, Motion failed

3. A motion was made by Highlands and seconded by Peters to approve the request from the Jeanette Business Association to conduct Concerts and Food Truck Thursdays on July 8, July 22, August 5, and August 19, 2021 at 5:00 PM

Roll Call Vote:

(4) YEA: Mozley, Highlands, Peters, Antoniak

(o) NAY: None Motion Carried

4. A motion was made by Highlands and seconded by Antoniak to pay Antonacci Design Associates in the amount of \$1,585.00 for work on the Clay Avenue Sidewalk Project to be paid from CDBG funds.

Roll Call Vote:

(4) YEA: Mozley, Highlands, Peters, Antoniak

(o) NAY: None Motion Carried

5. A motion was made by Peters and seconded by Mozley to pay Antonacci Design Associates in the amount of \$7,913.78 for work on the Brush Creek Sediment Project to be paid from the Capital Reserve.

Roll Call Vote:

(4) YEA: Mozley, Highlands, Peters, Antoniak

(o) NAY: None Motion Carried



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#### **NEW BUSINESS: Continued**

6. A motion was made by Highlands and seconded by Mozley to pay Antonacci Design Associates in the amount of \$ 302.50 for work on Flood Protection Project Phase 2 sponsor adjustments Contract 2a Water Line Replacement and Encasement project to be paid from the Capital Reserve.

Roll Call Vote:

(4) YEA: Mozley, Highlands, Peters, Antoniak

(o) NAY: None Motion Carried

7. A motion was made by Antoniak and seconded by Peters to approve the request by the Westmoreland County Housing Authority to enter into an agreement with the City of Jeannette and West Penn Power subject to review and approval by the Chief of Police and the City Solicitor.

Roll Call Vote:

(4) YEA: Mozley, Highlands, Peters, Antoniak

(o) NAY: None Motion Carried

8. A motion was made by Mozley and seconded by Peters to change the status of Samantha Pilkington and Marcus Wise from Junior firefighter to call fire firefighters, to serve a one-year probationary period.

Roll Call Vote:

(4) YEA: Mozley, Highlands, Peters, Antoniak

(o) NAY: None Motion Carried

9. A motion was made by Antoniak and seconded by Highlands to hire Marty Phonebshek as a part time firefighter following successful completion of a physical and drug test to be paid by the SAFER Grant.

Roll Call Vote:

(4) YEA: Mozley, Highlands, Peters, Antoniak

(o) NAY: None Motion Carried

10. A motion was made by Mozley and seconded by Antoniak to direct the Fire Chief and his authorized agents to apply for the Rural Development Grant for a potential new fire station project.

Roll Call Vote:

(4) YEA: Mozley, Highlands, Peters, Antoniak

(o) NAY: None Motion Carried



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#### **NEW BUSINESS: Continued**

11. A motion was made by Peters and seconded by Highlands to pay KGD \$ 6,304.00 for excavation costs to install the storm sewer on Pa Blvd to be paid from the Liquid Fuels Fund.

Roll Call Vote: (4) YEA: Mozley, Highlands, Peters, Antoniak (0) NAY: None Motion Carried

12. A motion was made by Antoniak and seconded by Peters to pay KGD \$2,250.00 for furnishing and installing concrete curb gutter on Pa Blvd to be paid from the Liquid Fuels Fund.

Roll Call Vote: (4) YEA: Mozley, Highlands, Peters, Antoniak (0) NAY: None Motion Carried

#### **ADJOURNMENT:**

A motion was made by Mozley and seconded by Antoniak to adjourn the meeting at o6:50 pm

Roll Call Vote: (4) YEA: Mozley, Highlands, Peters, Antoniak (0) NAY: None Motion Carried

Nathan Benjamin Jay Bish
CITY CLERK