

**ORDER:**

The Mayor Called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM.

**ROLL CALL:**

**Michelle Langdon**  
**Robin Mozley**  
**Chuck Highlands**  
**Vacant**  
**Curtis Antoniak**

**ALSO, PRESENT:**

**City Clerk:** *Benjamin Walker*  
**Controller:** *Nancy Peters*  
**City Solicitor:** *Timothy Witt*  
**Chief of Police:** *Donald Johnston Jr.*  
**Code Enforcement:** *Bill Whetzel*  
**Fire Chief:** *William Frye*  
**City Engineer:** *Edward Antonacci*

**ABSENT WITH CAUSE**

**Chief Fiscal Officer:** *Ethan Keedy*  
**City Treasurer:** *Jacob Milliron*  
**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:**

Pastor Bob Ross of the Heritage Baptist Church led the invocation.

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

1. Tuesday July 12<sup>th</sup> at 12:15 PM to discuss personnel matters and City agreements still under revision.

**AGENDA:**

A motion was made by Antoniak and seconded by Mozley to amend the agenda with a motion to grant the request from Amanda Steele as Item Number 15.

**Roll Call Vote:**

**Yea (4): Langdon, Mozley, Highlands, Antoniak**

**Nay (0):**

**Motion Passed**

**MINUTES:**

A motion was made by Highlands and seconded by Mozley to approve the Meeting Minutes for May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022 and May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022 as presented.

**Roll Call Vote:**

**Yea (4): Langdon, Mozley, Highlands, Antoniak**

**Nay (0):**

**Motion Passed**

**CITIZENS:**

Swearing in of Diesel as the new K-9 unit in the City of Jeannette Police Department

Swearing in of Benjamin D. Walker as the City of Jeannette City Clerk

**Susan Radabaugh:** A Jeannette resident living on Sellers Avenue addressed Council on a parking issue, in which the Police department indicated that parking is on both sides of the street in response to an incident that occurred on

**CITIZENS: (Continued)**

Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Officer Mason allegedly stated to Ms. Radabaugh to learn how to pull out of her driveway or to get a smaller vehicle. She has requested a “No Parking” sign be placed on one side of the street, as the issue extends to larger vehicles, like busses and emergency vehicles, in which there is not enough room for them to pass in both directions.

**Susan Pavis:** A Jeannette resident living on Arlington Avenue addressed Council regarding an issue on the playground adjacent to her property, in which Japanese Knotweed is growing and blocking the view from her property and has a negative effect on property values. She gave information regarding the proper disposal of these plants, as they are invasive and regrow at impressive rates when damaged.

**Sherri Mickey:** A Jeannette Manor resident addressed Council on some of the issues occurring in the Manor, in which an air quality report indicated the presence of mold in Apartment 104, and the resident in said apartment has been experiencing symptoms related to mold. She further described an incident, where the City’s Police, Fire, and EMS services came to recue an overdose victim in front of the building. She further indicated that the displaced residents will be able to return to their apartments following completion of the renovation projects.

**Michael Deluzio:** A 16 year Jeannette resident living on Arlington Avenue addressed Council on the weed issue at the park near his home. The weed overgrowth has had a negative effect on his financial plans, as the bank refused to issue a loan due to the neighboring weed overgrowth. He has indicated that the City’s Public Works employees do not maintain the property line and expressed his disappointment. He further indicated that children at the park are out of hand using vulgar language, playing ball at 2:00 AM, trespassing onto his property, and using illicit drugs in his driveway.

**Bob Tanyer:** A Jeannette resident living on Laura Street, representing the Jeannette Honor Guard and Legion, thanked Councilman Chuck Highlands for his speech.

**Mark Levander:** A Jeannette resident living on North 1<sup>st</sup> Street thanked Councilwoman Michelle Langdon for streaming the Council Meetings online. He further addressed Council on an increasing issue with truck traffic on North 1<sup>st</sup> Street, which is not part of the prescribed Truck Route. This increase in traffic has been interrupting business, and Mr. Levander reached out to Google and Garmin GPS services, who indicated that there has been no submission of a truck route. He asked for signage to be placed to indicate to truck drivers where the truck route is located and further indicate what streets to avoid traversing. He additionally asked for the placement of stop signs and for details of when the City’s Commercial Property Improvement Program will be coming back.

**Calvin C. Tomanda:** A Jeannette resident living on North 3<sup>rd</sup> Street addressed Council regarding blighted properties located on 311 and 313 South 5<sup>th</sup> Street, as well as an abandoned property located on North 4<sup>th</sup> Street. He inquired as to gathering volunteers for cleaning up properties via charitable organizations.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

1. Nancy Peters (Letter of Interest)

**COMMUNICATIONS: (Continued)**

2. M. Cherie King (Letter of Interest)
3. Chad Krawtz (Letter of Interest)
4. Richard Jacobelli (Letter of Interest)
5. Kathie Tanyer (Letter of Interest)
6. Justin Streets (Letter of Interest) – Not eligible for consideration
7. Lisa Giordano (Letter of Interest)
8. Kramer Frye (Letter of Interest)
9. Sherri Mickey (Letter of Interest)
10. Letter from the Jeannette American Legion (Banners)
11. Letter from Educated Athletes First (Street Closure on Mapleton Ave.)
12. Letter from Amanda Steele (Alley Parking Request)

**OFFICERS REPORTS:**

A motion was made by Antoniak and seconded by Highlands to approve the Officers Reports as presented.

**Roll Call Vote:**

**Yea (4): Langdon, Mozley, Highlands, Antoniak**

**Nay (0):**

**Motion Passed**

**BILLS:**

A motion was made by Mozley and seconded by Langdon to pay the bills for the month.

**Roll Call Vote:**

**Yea (4): Langdon, Mozley, Highlands, Antoniak**

**Nay (0):**

**Motion Passed**

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

**Mrs. Langdon:** Indicated that she is finding a solution to the pigeon feces under the underpass on South 4<sup>th</sup> Steet. She reported that we need quotes for the Arlington Playground for cleanup. She additionally thanked Bill Frye for fixing the generator in City Hall.

**Mrs. Mozley:** Gave the Monthly Sanitation Report. Chief Bill Frye gave the Monthly Fire Report and explained the demolition hearing that occurred in the previous week. Bill Whetzel gave the Monthly Code Enforcement Report and the Property Maintenance Report.

**Mr. Highlands:** The beginning stages of the City's annual audit process have commenced with required documentation being given to the City's financial auditor. He further read the Treasurer's Monthly Report.

**Vacant Seat**

**Mr. Antoniak:** Recognized Rita Reeya for 75 years of marriage (married since 1957). Chief Donald Johnston Jr. gave the Monthly Police Report. The Mayor addressed the truck rout issue by indicating that an officer needs to be certified

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS: (Continued)**

to cite the truck drivers and their associated companies for violations. He indicated that updated signage will be discussed. The Mayor also recognized Cornerstone Ministries for their cleanup events.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

None at this time.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. A motion was made by Antoniak and seconded by Highlands to appoint Nancy Peters to fill the vacant Jeannette City Council Seat for a term to end December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023.

*Point of Clarification:* Due to the significant number of interested individuals for this position, the motions were read in the order that letters of interest were received.

**Roll Call Vote:  
Yea (2): Highlands, Antoniak  
Nay (2): Langdon, Mozley  
Motion Failed**

A motion to appoint Mary Cherie King to fill the vacant Jeannette City Council Seat for a term to end December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023.

**No first and no second  
Motion Failed**

A motion was made by Highlands and seconded by Langdon to appoint Chad Krawtz to fill the vacant Jeannette City Council Seat for a term to end December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023.

**Roll Call Vote:  
Yea (3): Langdon, Highlands, Antoniak  
Nay (1): Mozley  
Motion Passed**

2. A motion was made by Mozley and seconded by Antoniak to approve the banner installation agreement with the West Penn Power Company contingent on the Jeannette American Legion signing a Banner Program Permit, Acknowledgement, and Indemnification Agreement pending approval of the City Solicitor.

**Roll Call Vote:  
Yea (4): Langdon, Mozley, Highlands, Antoniak  
Nay (0):  
Motion Passed**

**NEW BUSINESS: (Continued)**

3. A motion was made by Langdon and seconded by Mozley to introduce and conduct the first reading of **Bill No. 22-04**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JEANNETTE, PENNSYLVANIA, APPROVING THE VACATION OF A PORTION OF NORTH FIFTH STREET AND A PORTION OF AN UNNAMED 30-FOOT ALLEY LOCATED IN THE CITY OF JEANNETTE, COUNTY OF WESTMORELAND, UPON THE PETITION OF THE UNDERLYING PROPERTY OWNER AND ALL AFFECTED PERSONS.**

**Roll Call Vote:  
Yea (4): Langdon, Mozley, Highlands, Antoniak  
Nay (0):  
Motion Passed**

4. A motion was made by Mozley and seconded by Highlands to approve the agreement with Architecture Design Collaborative to work on a conceptual design for the new Jeannette Fire Station for a cost not to exceed \$50,000.00 pending review of the City Solicitor.

**Roll Call Vote:  
Yea (4): Langdon, Mozley, Highlands, Antoniak  
Nay (0):  
Motion Passed**

5. A motion was made by Antoniak and seconded by Langdon to approve a change order for the Brush Creek Tree and Sediment Removal Project to excavate an abandoned pipeline for a cost not to exceed \$5,000.00.

**Roll Call Vote:  
Yea (4): Langdon, Mozley, Highlands, Antoniak  
Nay (0):  
Motion Passed**

6. A motion was made by Langdon and seconded by Mozley to approve a change order for the 2022 North Second Street Storm Sewer Rehabilitation Project to camera further into the pipeline associated with said project not to exceed \$3,200.00.

**Roll Call Vote:  
Yea (4): Langdon, Mozley, Highlands, Antoniak  
Nay (0):  
Motion Passed**

**NEW BUSINESS: (Continued)**

7. A motion was made by Antoniak and seconded by Langdon to accept the bid for \$86,000.00 made by KGD Contracting, Inc. for the 2022 City of Jeannette North Second Street Storm Sewer Rehabilitation Project.

**Roll Call Vote:**  
**Yea (4): Langdon, Mozley, Highlands, Antoniak**  
**Nay (0):**  
**Motion Passed**

8. A motion was made by Antoniak and seconded by Langdon to advertise to collect bids for the CDBG 2022 City of Jeannette South 7<sup>th</sup> Street and Clay Avenue Intersection and Curb and Sidewalk Reconstruction Project.

**Roll Call Vote:**  
**Yea (4): Langdon, Mozley, Highlands, Antoniak**  
**Nay (0):**  
**Motion Passed**

9. A motion was made by Langdon and seconded by Antoniak to authorize to advertise Request for Proposals for Engineering Services for the City's CDBG Program for the years 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025, and 2026.

**Roll Call Vote:**  
**Yea (4): Langdon, Mozley, Highlands, Antoniak**  
**Nay (0):**  
**Motion Passed**

10. A motion was made by Antoniak and seconded by Highlands to introduce and approve **Resolution 22-14**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JEANNETTE SETTING THE APPLICATION AND FILING FEE FOR CURB CUT REQUESTS WITHIN THE CITY OF JEANNETTE.**

**Roll Call Vote:**  
**Yea (4): Langdon, Mozley, Highlands, Antoniak**  
**Nay (0):**  
**Motion Passed**

11. A motion was made by Antoniak and seconded by Highlands to approve the curb cut request from Lawrence J. Bourquin Sr. for the property located on 822 Scott Avenue, Jeannette, PA 15644 Tax Map No. 14-01-12-0-077 contingent on the requestor paying all applicable fees and providing the necessary paperwork pending approval from the City Engineer and Code Enforcement Officer.

**Roll Call Vote:**  
**Yea (4): Langdon, Mozley, Highlands, Antoniak**  
**Nay (0):**  
**Motion Passed**

**NEW BUSINESS: (Continued)**

12. A motion was made by Mozley with no second to approve the curb cut request from the First Baptist Church of Jeannette for the property located on 134 North 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Jeannette, PA 15644 Tax Map No. 14-02-09-0-194 contingent on the requestor paying all applicable fees and providing the necessary paperwork pending approval from the City Engineer and Code Enforcement Officer.

*Point of Clarification:* Submitted drawing did not contain dimensions and was not sufficient to render an informed decision, so the applicant will need to resubmit an updated document for future approval.

**No second  
Motion Failed**

13. A motion was made by Antoniak and seconded by Langdon to pay Antonacci Design Associates \$765.00 from the Capital Reserve for work performed on the Tree and Sediment Grant.

**Roll Call Vote:  
Yea (4): Langdon, Mozley, Highlands, Antoniak  
Nay (0):  
Motion Passed**

14. A motion was made by Langdon and seconded by Mozley to approve the request from Educated Athletes First in partnership with Unity in the Community to close Mapleton Avenue from 11<sup>th</sup> Street to 14<sup>th</sup> Street to host a June-teenth event to occur on June 18, 2022 from 12:00 PM until 6:00 PM pending approval from the Police Chief and Fire Chief for safety matters.

**Roll Call Vote:  
Yea (4): Langdon, Mozley, Highlands, Antoniak  
Nay (0):  
Motion Passed**

15. Amendment: A motion to grant the request from Amanda Steele to utilize a portion of the alleyway behind the property located on 406 Guy Street, Jeannette, PA 15644 Tax Map No. 14-02-09-0-379 for parking on Sunday, June 26, 2022 from 12:00 PM until 8:00 PM pending approval from the Chief of Police and Fire Chief for safety matters, and providing that such permission may be revoked or modified at any time by the City.

**Roll Call Vote:  
Yea (4): Langdon, Mozley, Highlands, Antoniak  
Nay (0):  
Motion Passed**

**Jeannette City Council  
City Council Meeting  
Minutes**



**Thursday  
June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022  
6:00 PM**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

A motion was made by Antoniak and seconded by Langdon to adjourn the meeting at 7:19 PM.

**Roll Call Vote:**

**Yea (4): Langdon, Mozley, Highlands, Antoniak**

**Nay (0):**

**Motion Passed**

**Benjamin D. Walker**

*CITY CLERK*