

ORDER:

The Mayor Called the meeting to order at

ROLL CALL:

Chad Krawtz
Robin Mozley
Chuck Highlands
Michelle Langdon
Curtis Antoniak

ALSO, PRESENT:

City Clerk: *Benjamin D. Walker*
Controller: *Nancy Peters*
Chief Fiscal Officer: *Ethan Keedy*
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

City Foreman: *Rich Ault*
City Treasurer: *Jacob Milliron*

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 Scott Howard, a former Public Works employee now passed.

INVOCATION:

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

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

1. Tuesday, October 11, 2022 at 9:00 AM to discuss contract negotiations.

AGENDA:

A motion was made by Antoniak and seconded by Mozley to approve the agenda as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Yea (5): Krawtz, Mozley, Highlands, Langdon, Antoniak

Nay (0):

Motion passed

MINUTES:

A motion was made by Mozley and seconded by Highlands to approve the meeting minutes for October 13, 2022.

Roll Call Vote:

Yea (5): Krawtz, Mozley, Highlands, Langdon, Antoniak

Nay (0):

Motion passed

CITIZENS:

1. **Cory Valerie:** A Jeannette resident living on Sellers Avenue addressed Council regarding the parking issues that are occurring on Sellers Avenue since the one side has been restricted. He explained that families have more vehicles now, so on street parking is limited, and the fire hydrant reduces parking even further. Furthermore, with no access to the rear of the properties, the only nearby parking is on the street.
2. **Darla Haller:** A Jeannette resident living on Sellers Avenue addressed Council regarding the parking issue and how it affects her when family members come to visit.

CITIZENS: (Continued)

3. **Joann Billheimer:** A Jeannette resident living on Cedar Street represented the Jeannette Public Library by indicating several events to occur at the Library, such as their Patron Appreciation Day. She also indicated that the Jeannette Community Band would be playing a Cabaret Concert, and a Veterans Day Concert.
4. **Garrick Pontarolo:** A Jeannette resident living on North 3rd Street presented to Council his intentions for the repository property located on 501 North 3rd Street stating that he will maintain the property's presentability.

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Ty Daniels (D7) Donation Letter
2. Stephen John Fiber Optic Broadband Request for Presentation (HCG Holdings, LLC)

OFFICERS REPORTS:

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

Roll Call Vote:

Yea (5): Krawtz, Mozley, Highlands, Langdon, Antoniak

Nay (0):

Motion passed

BILLS:

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

Roll Call Vote:

Yea (5): Krawtz, Mozley, Highlands, Langdon, Antoniak

Nay (0):

Motion passed

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Mr. Krawtz: Gave the monthly Streets Department Report.

Mrs. Mozley: Announced the City's first home decorating contest with prizes for the best houses. Ms. Mozley then gave the monthly Sanitation Department Report. Chief Bill Frye gave the monthly Fire Department Report and indicated a demolition hearing to occur for several properties in the City. Bill Whetzel gave the Code Enforcement and Property Maintenance monthly reports and further indicated that the meeting with the Railroad Company went well, and that they would be participating in the solution for problems under the Fourth Street bridge.

Mr. Highlands: Gave the monthly Finance Department Report with balances and indicated that the Business Assistance Program in the City has officially been spent and the program closed with a paperwork issue with one of the recipient businesses. Mr. Highlands further announced that the City will be holding several public budget preparation meetings.

Mrs. Langdon: Indicated that a bullet-proof glass partition for the Police Secretary is being ordered. Ms. Langdon addressed the parking issue on Sellers Avenue by stating that there is additional parking after 7th Street, where the restriction ends. Ms. Langdon further announced that some Jeannette businesses will be holding a costume party at the Jeannette American Legion.

Mr. Antoniak: Chief Donald Johnston Jr. gave the monthly Police Department Report including grants that are being applied for to offset costs for the City. The possibility of a second K-9 Officer was additionally announced, and the Mayor thanked Ty Daniels for the Summerfest donation.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None at this time.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. A motion was made by Mozley and seconded by Krawtz to authorize the City Clerk to advertise for a public demolition hearing to occur on Monday, November 21, 2022 at 10:00 AM for determination of demolition of several properties in the city.

Roll Call Vote:

Yea (5): Krawtz, Mozley, Highlands, Langdon, Antoniak

Nay (0):

Motion passed

2. A motion was made by Krawtz and seconded by Highlands to exonerate the City's taxes on the properties located on 416 Clay Avenue, Tax Map No. 14-01-16-0-178 and 418 Clay Avenue, Tax Map No. 14-01-16-0-177 pending exoneration by the Jeannette City School District and Westmoreland County.

Roll Call Vote:

Yea (5): Krawtz, Mozley, Highlands, Langdon, Antoniak

Nay (0):

Motion passed

3. A motion was made by Krawtz and seconded by Langdon to approve the sale of the property located on 506 North 3rd Street, Jeannette, PA 15644 Tax Map No. 14-02-09-0-227 to Basic Rentals, LLC for the amount of \$1,699.16.

Roll Call Vote:

Yea (5): Krawtz, Mozley, Highlands, Langdon, Antoniak

Nay (0):

Motion passed

4. A motion was made by Mozley and seconded by Highlands to approve the sale of the property located on 501 North 3rd Street, Jeannette, PA 15644 Tax Map No. 14-02-09-0-167 to Garrick A. Pontarolo for the amount of \$1,353.74.

Roll Call Vote:

Yea (5): Krawtz, Mozley, Highlands, Langdon, Antoniak

Nay (0):

Motion passed

5. A motion was made by Krawtz and seconded by Langdon to approve the sale of the properties located on 304 South 5th Street, Jeannette, PA 15644, Tax Map No. 14-01-16-2-063 and 306 South 5th Street, Jeannette, PA 15644, Tax Map No. 14-01-16-2-062 to T&E Creations, LLC for \$400.00 in addition to any applicable transfer/recording fees.

Roll Call Vote:

Yea (3): Krawtz, Mozley, Langdon

Nay (2): Highlands, Antoniak

Motion passed

NEW BUSINESS: (Continued)

6. A motion was made by Antoniak and seconded by Mozley to accept the bid proposal from Ford Office Technologies for IT services for a contract length of twenty-four (24) months.

Roll Call Vote:

Yea (5): Krawtz, Mozley, Highlands, Langdon, Antoniak

Nay (0):

Motion passed

7. A motion was made by Krawtz and seconded by Mozley to ratify the cancellation of the agreement between Ford and the City of Jeannette and US Municipal and the City of Jeannette for the purchase of the 2023 Ford Trucks at no cost to the City.

Roll Call Vote:

Yea (5): Krawtz, Mozley, Highlands, Langdon, Antoniak

Nay (0):

Motion passed

8. A motion was made by Langdon and seconded by Krawtz to introduce and adopt **Resolution 22-27 (Financing and Leasing of Dodge Trucks)**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JEANNETTE TO ENTER INTO A LEASING ARRANGEMENT FOR THE PURCHASE OF TWO DODGE PLOW TRUCKS.

Roll Call Vote:

Yea (5): Krawtz, Mozley, Highlands, Langdon, Antoniak

Nay (0):

Motion passed

9. A motion was made by Langdon and seconded by Krawtz to permit the closure of both lanes of Gaskill Avenue from North 4th Street to North 5th Street from Monday, October 24th through Thursday, October 27, 2022 during the hours of 7:00 AM to 6:00 PM pending approval of the Chief of Police and the Fire Chief for safety and contingent on payment of the road blocking fee.

Roll Call Vote:

Yea (5): Krawtz, Mozley, Highlands, Langdon, Antoniak

Nay (0):

Motion passed

10. A motion was made by Mozley and seconded by Langdon to authorize the Chief Fiscal Officer and the Fire Chief to apply for the 2022 County Demofund.

Roll Call Vote:

Yea (5): Krawtz, Mozley, Highlands, Langdon, Antoniak

Nay (0):

Motion passed

11. A motion was made by Highlands and seconded by Krawtz to approve the agreement between the City of Jeannette and Terry Planton for writing the PCCD Grant.

Roll Call Vote:

Yea (5): Krawtz, Mozley, Highlands, Langdon, Antoniak

Nay (0):

Motion passed

NEW BUSINESS: (Continued)

12. A motion was made by Mozley and seconded by Langdon to reimburse Crisann Lowstuter, Richard Radomski, and Deana Colvin \$25.00 each for the fee to participate in a Zoning Hearing Board training webinar provided by the Pennsylvania Municipal Planning Education Institute (PMPEI).

Roll Call Vote:
Yea (5): Krawtz, Mozley, Highlands, Langdon, Antoniak
Nay (0):
Motion passed

13. A motion was made by Mozley and seconded by Highlands to pay Ethan Keedy a 10 percent (10%) admin fee from the CDBG account for administration of the Small Business Grant Assistance Program.

Roll Call Vote:
Yea (5): Krawtz, Mozley, Highlands, Langdon, Antoniak
Nay (0):
Motion passed

14. A motion was made by Krawtz and seconded by Langdon to pay Mold Medics \$454.75 from the Building Fund account for mold testing in the Community Room in City Hall to be paid from Building Maintenance and Repair.

Roll Call Vote:
Yea (5): Krawtz, Mozley, Highlands, Langdon, Antoniak
Nay (0):
Motion passed

15. A motion was made by Mozley and seconded by Langdon to approve the purchase of bullet proof glass for the Police Secretary's Office from Insulgard Security Products for \$1,896.00 to be paid from the American Rescue Plan account.

Roll Call Vote:
Yea (5): Krawtz, Mozley, Highlands, Langdon, Antoniak
Nay (0):
Motion passed

16. A motion was made by Langdon and seconded by Antoniak to pay Lutterman Excavating, LLC \$62,000.00 from the CDBG account, \$55,800.00 effective immediately and \$6,200.00 upon completion of the final punch list and final inspection of the City's code official and further contingent on a certificate of completion and in accordance with the contract.

Roll Call Vote:
Yea (5): Krawtz, Mozley, Highlands, Langdon, Antoniak
Nay (0):
Motion passed

17. A motion was made by Langdon and seconded by Krawtz to approve a change order for the North 2nd Street Storm Sewer Rehabilitation Project in the amount of \$5,512.00.

Roll Call Vote:
Yea (5): Krawtz, Mozley, Highlands, Langdon, Antoniak
Nay (0):
Motion passed

NEW BUSINESS: (Continued)

18. A motion was made by Mozley and seconded by Langdon to pay Antonacci Design Associates \$450.00 from the Capital Reserve for work performed on the CDBG Competitive Grant.

Roll Call Vote:

Yea (5): Krawtz, Mozley, Highlands, Langdon, Antoniak

Nay (0):

Motion passed

19. A motion was made by Langdon and seconded by Krawtz to pay Antonacci Design Associates \$1,322.50 from the Capital Reserve for work performed on the Multimodal Grant.

Roll Call Vote:

Yea (5): Krawtz, Mozley, Highlands, Langdon, Antoniak

Nay (0):

Motion passed

20. A motion was made by Mozley and seconded by Krawtz to pay Antonacci Design Associates \$440.00 from the Capital Reserve for work performed on the Phase 2 Flood Project.

Roll Call Vote:

Yea (5): Krawtz, Mozley, Highlands, Langdon, Antoniak

Nay (0):

Motion passed

21. A motion was made by Mozley and seconded by Langdon to pay Antonacci Design Associates \$2,250.00 from the American Rescue Plan account for work performed on the North 2nd Street Storm Sewer Rehabilitation Project.

Roll Call Vote:

Yea (5): Krawtz, Mozley, Highlands, Langdon, Antoniak

Nay (0):

Motion passed

22. A motion was made by Langdon and seconded by Antoniak to pay Urban Design Ventures \$5,000.00 from the CDBG Fund account for work performed on the City's CDBG Program.

Roll Call Vote:

Yea (5): Krawtz, Mozley, Highlands, Langdon, Antoniak

Nay (0):

Motion passed

23. A motion was made by Antoniak and seconded by Highlands to pay PNC \$103,669.00 for the Fire MMO Payment to be paid from the General Fund.

Roll Call Vote:

Yea (5): Krawtz, Mozley, Highlands, Langdon, Antoniak

Nay (0):

Motion passed

24. A motion was made by Langdon and seconded by Antoniak to pay PNC \$484,628.00 for the Police MMO Payment to be paid from the General Fund.

Roll Call Vote:

Yea (5): Krawtz, Mozley, Highlands, Langdon, Antoniak

Nay (0):

Motion passed

NEW BUSINESS: (Continued)

25. A motion was made by Highlands and seconded by Krawtz to pay PMRS \$195,328.22 for the Public Works and Admin Office MMO Payment to be paid from the General Fund.

Roll Call Vote:

Yea (5): Krawtz, Mozley, Highlands, Langdon, Antoniak

Nay (0):

Motion passed

26. A motion was made by Langdon and seconded by Krawtz to transfer \$568,625.22 from the Act 205 Account to the General Fund for the required MMO payments.

Roll Call Vote:

Yea (5): Krawtz, Mozley, Highlands, Langdon, Antoniak

Nay (0):

Motion passed

27. A motion was made by Mozley and seconded by Langdon to establish a Halloween Decorating Contest to occur on Wednesday, October 26, 2022 with authorization to purchase not more than \$175.00 in business gift cards from the City Recreation account.

Roll Call Vote:

Yea (5): Krawtz, Mozley, Highlands, Langdon, Antoniak

Nay (0):

Motion passed

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Mozley and seconded by Antoniak to adjourn the meeting at 7:04 PM.

Roll Call Vote:

Yea (5): Krawtz, Mozley, Highlands, Langdon, Antoniak

Nay (0):

Motion passed

Benjamin D. Walker
CITY CLERK