

The Mayor Called the meeting to order at

ROLL CALL:

James Miller
Chuck Highlands
Michelle Langdon
Chad Krawtz (Absent With Cause)
Curtis Antoniak

ALSO, PRESENT:

City Manager: *Ethan Keedy*
City Solicitor: *Timothy Witt*
City Engineer: *Edward Antonacci*
Code Enforcement: *Bill Whetzel*
City Foreman: *John Carl*
Fire Captain: *Joseph A. Matijevic*

ABSENT WITH CAUSE

Chief of Police: *Derek Manley*
Fire Chief: *William Frye*
Controller: *Nancy Peters*
City Treasurer: *Jake 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.

INVOCATION:

Pastor Ross from Heritage Baptist Church

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

AGENDA:

A motion was made by Langdon and 2nd by Miller to approve the agenda.

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

MINUTES:

A motion was made by Langdon and 2nd by Miller to approve October 10, 2024 and October 22, 2024 meeting minutes

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

CITIZENS:

Veteran's Recognized

Charles Laughery – 610 Highland Avenue - Trying to get a driveway installed. Curb Cut. Gas company will not help with the gas line.

Don Leone – 611 North 3rd Street – Thanking the Council so much for help and support with Do Not Parking Sign at Arlington Market.

Joann Billheimer – 434 Cedar Street – Gave report on Jeannette Library and events coming up.

Robin Mozley – 201 N 2nd Street – Wanted to thank everyone for a nice Halloween Parade, and events.

Ed Day – About being discriminated against for purchase of lots.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Amy Kujawa to re-appoint to the Jeannette Zoning Hearing Board
Cris Lowstuter to re-appoint to the Jeannette Zoning Hearing Board
Kate Gavin appoint to the City of Jeannette Redevelopment Authority
Letter of Support and to be a member of the Westmoreland County Brownfield Assessment
Coalition with the Westmoreland County Redevelopment Authority
Letter of Support for Jeannette Initiative
Lunch with Santa – Jeannette American Legion 12/21/2021 1-3pm

OFFICERS REPORTS:

BILLS:

A motion was made by Highlands and 2nd Langdon to pay bills

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

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Mrs. Langdon – Holiday Lights need fix, Mosaic afterschool program will decorate tree, with speaker being John Carl from Public Works. Windows need fixed in basement. Events for kids. December 7 parade. Wishing everyone a happy Thanksgiving.

Mr. Highlands – Financial Report, Introduce 2025 Budget, Happy Thanksgiving. Mr. Bill Whetzel gave Code / QOL report.

Mr. Miller – Street Department and Public Works Report.

Mr. Krawtz – Absent with Cause

Mr. Antoniak – No police report. CDBG report. Community Room Project. Thanked Jeannette Historical Society, Jeannette Community band, Jeannette American Legion. Wishing every one a Happy Thanksgiving

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

1. A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd Miller to re-appoint Amy Kujawa to the Jeannette Zoning Hearing Board for a term to expire on 12/2027.

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

2. A motion was made by Langdon and 2nd by Antoniak to re-appoint Cris Lowstuter to the City of Jeannette Zoning Board Hearing for a term to expire on 12/2028.

Roll Call Vote:
Yea (4): Miller, Highlands, Langdon, Antoniak
Nay (0):

Motion Passed

3. A motion to appoint Kate Gavin to the City of Jeannette Redevelopment Authority for a term to expire on 12/2027. TABLED

Roll Call Vote:

Yea (4): Miller, Highlands, Langdon, Antoniak

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

4. A motion was made by Langdon and 2nd Highlands to hire Savanna Compton as a Junior Firefighter, contingent on completion of all necessary tests and paperwork and compliance with all City policies, rules, and regulations.

Roll Call Vote:

Yea (4): Miller, Highlands, Langdon, Antoniak

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

5. A motion was made by Langdon and 2nd by Miller to approve submitting a Letter of Support for Jeannette Initiative to apply for the Community Foundation of Westmoreland County "*Revitalizing Westmoreland Program*" for assistance with the Main Street designation and implementation of projects within the central business district.

Roll Call Vote:

Yea (4): Miller, Highlands, Langdon, Antoniak

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

6. A motion was made by Langdon and 2nd by Miller to approve a Letter of Support and to be a member of the Westmoreland County Brownfield Assessment Coalition with the Westmoreland County Redevelopment Authority.

Roll Call Vote:

Yea (4): Miller, Highlands, Langdon, Antoniak

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

7. A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd Miller to approve payment to Delbert Rockwell P.E. invoice # 2112-1 for the amount of \$10,000 for work completed on the 6th Street Bridge Project, money to be taken from the Capital Reserve Account.

Roll Call Vote:

Yea (4): Miller, Highlands, Langdon, Antoniak

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

8. A motion was made by Highlands and 2nd Antoniak to introduce and conduct the first reading of **Ordinance 24-6**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JEANNETTE, WESTMORELAND COUNTY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, FIXING THE TAX RATES FOR 2025 AND APPROVING SPECIFIC SUMS ESTIMATED TO BE REQUIRED FOR THE SPECIFIC APPROPRIATING SPECIFIC SUMS ESTIMATED TO BE REQUIRED FOR THE SPECIFIC PURPOSES OF MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT, HEREINAFTER SET FORTH, FOR 2025

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

9. A motion was made by Langdon and 2nd by Antoniak to approve the agreement between the City of Jeannette and the Westmoreland County Transit Authority subject to review and approval by the City Solicitor.

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

10. A was made by Antoniak and 2nd Langdon motion to approve the settlement offer between Christopher T Kane and the City of Jeannette for \$500.00 for past code violations located at 405 South 5th Street Jeannette Pa 15644.

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

11. A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd Langdon to approve Payment to Antonacci Design Associates in the amount of \$590.00 for work completed on the Mapleton Water Project, money to be taken from the Capital Reserve Accounts.

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

12. A motion was made by Langdon and 2nd by Miller to approve Payment to Antonacci Design Associates in the amount of \$2,887.64 for work completed on the 6th Street Bridge Project, money to be taken from the Capital Reserve Account.

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

13. A motion was Made by Miller and 2nd by Langdon to approve Payment to Antonacci Design

Associates in the amount of \$4,420.00 for work completed on the Sellers Ave Project, money to be taken from the Capital Reserve Account.

Roll Call Vote:

Yea (4): Miller, Highlands, Langdon, Antoniak

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

- 14.** A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd Langdon to approve Payment to Antonacci Design Associates in the amount of \$3,935.34 for work completed on the Storm water grant, money to be taken from the Capital Reserve Account.

Roll Call Vote:

Yea (4): Miller, Highlands, Langdon, Antoniak

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

- 15.** A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd Miller to approve Payment to Urban Design Ventures for CDBG application invoice UDV-22-306-438 for \$5,000, money to be taken from the CDBG Account.

Roll Call Vote:

Yea (4): Miller, Highlands, Langdon, Antoniak

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

- 16.** A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd Highlands to accept the bid from Murray Auto Electric and Radio Communications Inc in the amount of \$15,492.09 for the purchase and installation of new radios for the public works department, money will be taken from the General Fund Line Items 01-427-241 and 01-430-241.

Roll Call Vote:

Yea (4): Miller, Highlands, Langdon, Antoniak

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

- 17.** A motion was Made by Miller and 2nd by Langdon to approve payment up to \$5,000.00 to Stephenson Equipment Inc for servicing and maintenance for the City of Jeannette's Chipper, money to be taken from the Capital Reserve Account.

Roll Call Vote:

Yea (4): Miller, Highlands, Langdon, Antoniak

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

- 18.** A motion was made by Langdon and 2nd by Antoniak to appoint and approve the City Engineer to submit the application for authorization for agent for Highway Occupancy Permit, further designating the City Engineer Edward Antonacci as the agent for the City of Jeannette.

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

19. A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd Highlands to approve **Resolution 24-15:**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JEANNETTE ADOPTING AND REAFFIRMING THE FOLLOWING FEES CHARGED BY THE ELECTED TAX COLLECTOR.

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

20. A motion was made by Langdon and 2nd by Miller to approve the Acknowledgement and Indemnification Agreement and Excess Maintenance Road Protection and Repair Agreement between the City of Jeannette and Keystone Appalachian Transmission company, A First Energy Company not Schultheis Electric pending approval of the City Solicitor.

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

21. A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd Langdon to accept the bid from KGD Contracting in the amount of \$249,707.00 for the site work for the construction of the new Jeannette Fire Station, pending completion and submission of all necessary documents and approval of the City Solicitor.

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

22. A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd Miller to approve the bid from Nevaeh Pipe Bursting LLC in the amount of \$919,301.00 for the construction of the new Jeannette Fire Station, pending completion and submission of all necessary documents and approval of the City Solicitor.

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

23. A motion to approve an agreement with Villi Electrical Services or **O & O Electrical Contractor** in an amount not to exceed \$6,688.00 and to delegate the City Manager to select and execute any related agreement for work on the Holiday Lights and outlets on Clay Avenue, money to be taken from the ARP account

Roll Call Vote:
Yea (4): Miller, Highlands, Langdon, Antoniak

Nay (0):
Motion Passed

24. A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd Highlands to approve **Resolution 24-16:**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JEANNETTE APPROVING THE SUBMISSION OF THE STATE WIDE LOCAL SHARES ACCOUNT GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$918,650.76 FOR UPGRADES FOR THE CITY OF JEANNETTE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

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

25. A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd Highlands to approve **Resolution 24-17**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JEANNETTE APPROVING THE SUBMISSION OF THE STATE WIDE LOCAL SHARES ACCOUNT GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$304,578.00 FOR RENOVATION AND CREATION OF A COMMUNITY ROOM ON THE 3RD FLOOR OF JEANNETTE CITY HALL.

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

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd Langdon to adjourn the meeting

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

Ethan Keedy
CITY MANAGER