

Councilman Mr. Chuck Highlands Called the meeting to order at: 6:00pm

ROLL CALL:

James Miller
Chuck Highlands
Michelle Langdon
Chad Krawtz
Curtis Antoniak (Via Phone)

ALSO, PRESENT:

City Manager: *Ethan Keedy*
City Solicitor: *Timothy Witt*
Chief of Police: *Derek Manley*
Fire Chief: *William Frye*
City Engineer: *Edward Antonacci*
Code Enforcement: *Bill Whetzel*

ABSENT WITH CAUSE

City Foreman: John Carl
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 Miller and 2nd Highlands to approve the agenda.

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

MINUTES:

A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd Krawtz to approve January 09, 2025 - Meeting Minutes

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

CITIZENS:

Bruce Busato - 614 Division Street: Stated about how the road crew did a phenomenal job with the roads so far this winter. About a demolition on his property. The wall needs to be fixed.
Donald Leone - 611 North 3rd Street: Thank you for putting no parking sign at Arlington Market. But also, a new problem is people parking behind the sign. I Want a new sign posted that says no parking on the sidewalk.
JB Crawford - Greensburg: wants to purchase the lot on 4th and Chamber Street.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- Digi Solutions LLC - sale of the property located at 225 Good Street, Jeannette PA. Tax Map

ID#14-0209-0-583

- Robert Williams to serve on the Redevelopment Authority
- Donald Deguffroy to serve on the Jeannette Planning Commission Board
- Jeannette Business Association to request to use the 400 and 500 blocks of Clay Avenue, South 5th Street from Magee Avenue to the alley by the Post Office, and the Elliott Group Amphitheater for the Glass City Heritage Festival on 13, 2025, 8:00 AM until 4:00 PM
- Jeannette Business Association requested to use the Elliott Group Amphitheater for food Truck Thursdays May 22, June 5 & 19, July 3,17,31 and August 12 & 18, 2025.
- Jeannette Business Association to use the Elliott Group Amphitheater and to close South 5th Street from the Amphitheater to the Jeannette American Legion for the Jeannette Sparkle of
- Father's Heart Ministries, Inc to use the Amphitheater with electricity for Back to School Event (FREE Clothing, Food, Bookbags, and Haircuts) Christmas Event.

OFFICERS REPORTS:

A Motion was made by Krawtz and 2nd Highlands to Approve the Officers Reports

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

BILLS:

A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd Miller to pay bills

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Mrs. Langdon - Water repairs in City Hall. Rep Summer Lee uses Council Chambers. Happy Valentine's Day.

Mr. Highlands - Financial Report. Code / Quality of Life report from Bill Whetzel.

Mr. Miller - Snow Removal, Cold Patch, replaced signs that were damaged. Removed a tree blocking view to pull out on 130.

Mr. Krawtz - Sanitation Department Report. Mutual Aid Report. Fire Department Report.

Mr. Antoniak - Thank you JFD and Chief Frye for good work with fire on Chestnut Street. Police Chief Derek Manley's report. Wants to thank Brian Lawrence and Westmoreland County and Westmoreland County Commissioners.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

1. A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd Krawtz to approve / **DENY** the sale of the property located at 225 Good Street, Jeannette PA. Tax Map ID#14-0209-0-583, to Digi Solutions LLC in the amount of \$2,008.00 by the Tax Claim Bureau in repository sale.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):
Motion Passed

2. A motion was Made by Miller and 2nd by Langdon to appoint Robert Williams to serve on the Jeannette Redevelopment Authority Board, term to begin immediately and end in December 2027.

Roll Call Vote:

Yea (2): Highlands, Langdon
Nay (3): Krawtz, Miller, Antoniak
Motion FAILED

3. A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd Highlands to reappoint Donald Deguffroy to serve on the Jeannette Planning Commission Board, term to begin immediately and end in December 2029.

Roll Call Vote:

Yea (5): Miller, Krawtz, Highlands, Langdon, Antoniak
Nay (0):
Motion Passed

4. A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd Miller to approve the Arlington Sportsman's Club request for an exception, exemption and waiver enabling them to use alcohol at Altman Park for their annual picnic on June 28th, 2025, pending the Club's assumption of all liability, the submission of certificate of liability insurance, and completion of a rental application and payment of all applicable fees.

Roll Call Vote:

Yea (3): Krawtz, Miller, Antoniak
Nay (2): Highlands, Langdon
Motion Passed

5. A motion was made by Langdon and 2nd by Krawtz to approve the Jeannette Business Association to request to use the 400 and 500 blocks of Clay Avenue, South 5th Street from Magee Avenue to the alley by the Post Office, and the Elliott Group Amphitheater for the Glass City Heritage Festival on 13, 2025, 8:00 AM until 4:00 PM pending a signed use agreement, payment of all applicable fees, approval by the Chief of Police and Fire Chief for safety, and receipt of a certificate of liability insurance for the event.

Roll Call Vote:

Yea (5): Miller, Krawtz, Highlands, Langdon, Antoniak
Nay (0):
Motion Passed

6. A motion was made by Krawtz and 2nd Miller to approve Jeannette Business Association request to use the Elliott Group Amphitheater for food Truck Thursdays, pending a signed use agreement, payment of all applicable fees, and approval by the Police Chief and Fire Chief for safety and road closures, and a receipt of a certificate of liability insurance for the event Dates for the event are as followed: May 22, June 5 & 19, July 3,17,31 and August 12 & 18, 2025

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

7. A motion was made by Krawtz and 2nd Langdon to approve the Jeannette Business Association request to use the Elliott Group Amphitheater and to close South 5th Street from the Amphitheater to the Jeannette American Legion for the Jeannette Sparkle of Christmas Event to occur from 12:00 PM until 5:30 PM on December 6, 2025, pending signed used agreement, approval by the Chief of Police and Fire Chief for safety.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

8. A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd Krawtz to approve the payment to the Jeannette Business Association Membership in the Amount of \$70 for their annual dues, money to be taken from General Fund line item 01-401-420.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

9. A motion was made by Langdon and 2nd by Miller to approve the Father's Heart Ministries, Inc to use the Amphitheater with electric for Back-to-School Event (FREE Clothing, Food, Bookbags, and Haircuts) on August 9th, 2025, from 1:00pm – 4:00pm., pending a signed use agreement, payment of all applicable fees, approval by the Chief of Police and Fire Chief for safety, and receipt of a certificate of liability insurance for the event.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

- 10.** A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd Langdon.to approve the proposal from Morgantown Security and Fire for the installation of panic security buttons and smoke detectors throughout City Hall, for an amount not to exceed \$8,000.00. Money to be taken from the General Fund line item 01-409-373.

Roll Call Vote:

Yea (3): Miller, Highlands, Antoniak

Nay (2): Krawtz, Langdon

Motion Passed

- 11.** A motion was made by Langdon and 2nd by Krawtz to approve payment to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in the amount of \$5,706.27 for an overpayment the City of Jeannette received from state Aid in 2021.Money to be taken from the General Fund line item 01-401-200 and tracked and reimbursed, if permitted, from the Act 205 account.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

- 12.** A motion was made by Krawtz and 2nd Miller to authorize the City Manager to apply for a Lowes enhancing communities grant in the amount of 1 million for the construction of Phase 2 Fire Station.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

- 13.** A motion was made by Langdon and 2nd by Krawtz to approve and enter into a Settlement Agreement and release of claims with James Phillips and Mathew Painter on case no. 2:24-cv-00890.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

- 14.** A motion was made by Langdon and 2nd by Krawtz to the proposal from Ford Office Technologies for the replacement of the City of Jeannette's router and network

security/Firewall Appliance in the amount of \$2,190.11. Money to be taken from the General Fund It and Security line items for each department.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

- 15.** A motion was made by Krawtz and 2nd Miller to pay Antonacci Design Associates \$2,972.50 for work completed on the 2025 Street Paving Project. Money to be taken from the Liquid Fuels Account

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

- 16.** A motion was made by Highlands and 2nd Krawtz to pay Antonacci Design Associates \$3,335.00 for work completed on the Sellers Ave Street Reconstruction Project. Money to be taken from the Capital Reserve Account

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

- 17.** A motion was made by Highlands and 2nd Miller to pay Antonacci Design Associates \$9,294.59 for work completed on the 6th Street Bridge Project, Money to be taken from the Capital Reserve Account.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

- 18.** A motion was made by Krawtz and 2nd Miller to Pay Antonacci Design Associates \$9,593.91 for work completed on the LSA Stormwater/Bridge Project. Money to be taken from the Capital Reserve Account.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):
Motion Passed

- 19.** A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd Krawtz to approve the transfer to the Redevelopment Authority and the sale to Jamie Crawford (Birchfield Gas Services LLC) of the lot located at the corner of Chamber Ave and Fourth Street in Jeannette Parcel Id #14-01-16-2-071 for a purchase price of between \$10,000-\$15,000.00, and on the condition that he enter into and comply with a property rehabilitation plan and agreement.

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

- 20.** A motion was made by Langdon and 2nd by Krawtz to Approve payment application #1 to C.H & D Enterprise Inc in the amount of \$126,420.20 for work completed on the 6th street bridge project. Money to be taken from the Capital Reserve Account.

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

- 21.** A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd Highlands to approve of the hiring of David Judy as a patrolman for the Jeannette Police Department, pending the completion of his psychological and medical evaluations. Also, completion of all pre employment required paperwork. Salary to be set by the collective bargaining agreement.

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

- 22.** A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd Krawtz to tentatively sell the silver 2018 Ford Explorer to Hempfield School District police for \$5,000.00. Contingent on the approval from the Jeannette School Board.

Roll Call Vote:
Yea (5): Miller, Krawtz, Highlands, Langdon, Antoniak
Nay (0):

Motion Passed

- 23.** A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd Langdon to approve payment to Urban Design Ventures in the amount of \$24,292.50 for work completed on the CDBG projects for the period of September 1st 2024 until January 28th 2025. Money to be taken from the CDBG account.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

- 24.** A motion was made by Langdon and 2nd by Antoniak to authorize the City Manager and Urban Design Ventures to create a request for proposals for the installation of Cameras located at various City parks, further authorizing the City Manager to go out to bid for the project.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

- 25.** A motion was made by Krawtz and 2nd Langdon to approve the Final Approval for Elliott Rodgers Minor subdivision plan located on Gaskill Avenue

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

- 26.** A motion to approve Kevin Doerfler's request for the current number of parking spaces located at 1010 Harrison Avenue, Jeannette, PA 15644, TAX MAP No. 14-02-05-0- 212 1035, for this proposed use, and exempting Kevin Doerfler's from additional parking requirements set forth under the City of Jeannette's zoning ordinance for this proposed use, conditioned on approval of a zoning use variance for this proposed use from the zoning hearing board.

NOT ACCEPTABLE TO BE VOTED ON

- 27.** A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd Langdon to approve the installation of 4 overview security cameras and 3 license plate readers at 4th/Rosalind/Spring Valley Road; further accepting the proposal from Secure Technical Solutions in the amount of \$16,328.00 for the purchase and installation work. All expenses will be covered by the Elliot Company.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

ADJOURNMENT:

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

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

Ethan Keedy
CITY MANAGER