

**Jeannette City Council
City Council Meeting
Meeting Minutes**



**Thursday
April 10, 2025
6:00pm**

ORDER:

The Mayor Called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM

Proclamation – After vote on New Business #1: Jeannette High School Boys Basketball Team / Coaches

ROLL CALL:

James Miller
Chuck Highlands
Michelle Langdon
Chad Krawtz
Curtis Antoniak

ALSO, PRESENT:

City Manager: *Ethan Keedy*
Controller: *Nancy Peters*
City Solicitor: *Timothy Witt*
Chief of Police: *Derek Manley.*
City Foreman: *John Carl*
Fire Chief: *William Frye*
City Engineer: *Edward Antonacci*
Code Enforcement: *Bill Whetzel*

ABSENT WITH CAUSE

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.

INVOCATION:

Pastor Ross from Heritage Baptist Church

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

AGENDA:

A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd Krawtz 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 Miller to approve March 13th 2025 Meeting Minutes

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):

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CITIZENS:

- Robert: 822 Scott Avenue - They are being flooded out. Their yard is flooded after every rain.

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- Bruce Busato: 614 Division Street - Bones in resident's yard. Retaining wall.
- Don Leone: 611 N. 3rd Street - Thank Councilman Miller. Adult bike left in yard.
- Amy Gray: 613 Jefferson Street - About Altman Park, and the money that was spent to upgrade parks.
- Carol: 813 ½ Gaskill Avenue - Help with Neighborhood Watch Group. Safety classes for bikes, scooter and ect.

COMMUNICATIONS:

OFFICERS REPORTS:

A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd Krawtz to approve Officer Reports

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

BILLS:

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

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Mr. Miller: Public Works Report

Mr. Highlands: Financial Report. Code and QOL Report from Bill Whetzel

Ms. Langdon: Altman Park, Stairs to be repaired. Wishing everyone a Happy Easter.

Mr. Krawtz: Sanitation Report, Easter Egg Hunt. The City Manager gave a report on the Fire Station being built.

Mr. Antoniak: Chief Manley gave the police report. Mayor Antoniak gave a report. School Zones will be heavily patrolled. Wishing everyone a Happy Easter.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

1. A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd Highlands to approve and issue a Proclamation and to make April 11, 2025, the Jeannette High School Boys Basketball Day.

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

2. A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd Langdon to approve Jeannette Ministerial Alliance on May 1, 2025, Day of Prayer on City Hall steps from Noon until 1pm, pending approval by the Chief of Police and Fire Chief for safety and submission of all necessary certificates of liability of insurance for the event.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

3. A motion was made by Langdon and 2nd Krawtz to approve Jeannette Ministerial Alliance permission to use the Elliot Group Amphitheater on August 7-8 from 4:00pm - 7:00pm for a gathering for an outreach / ministry / music event pending a signed use agreement, payment of all applicable fees, and approval by the Chief of Police and Fire Chief for safety and submission of all necessary certificates of liability of insurance for the event.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

4. A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd by Miller to approve naming the West Jeannette Basketball court after LAMONT "SHOWBOAT" ROBINSON and accept the donation in the amount of \$5,000.00 from the American Basketball Hall of Fame Foundation to cover the cost of a ceremony and all costs associated with the renaming,

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subject to the City's gift and donation acceptance rights.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

5. A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd by Krawtz to accept the donation and further authorizing the transfer of 148 Frothingham Avenue Tax Map # (14-02-09-0-456) to the City of Jeannette and exonerate the City taxes on said property, pending exoneration by the Jeannette City School District and Westmoreland County.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (1): Langdon

Motion Passed

6. A motion was made by Langdon and 2nd Antoniak to authorize payment to McElwain Mechanical Solutions for repairs on the boiler not to exceed \$8,000.00, for pump repairs, Money to be taken from the American Rescue Plan Account.

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 grant the Fire Chief and Civil Service Commission to conduct civil service testing for the Jeannette Fire Department.

Roll Call Vote:

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

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Nay (0):

Motion Passed

8. A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd Langdon to rehire John Breegle and Chistopher Heminger for supplemental help for the Public works department at an hourly rate of \$20.75 with a start date of April 14th 2025, pending completion of all necessary paperwork and subject to all City policies, manuals, requirements, rules, and regulations.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

9. A motion was made by Krawtz and 2nd Miller to approve payment to Antonacci Design Associates in the amount of \$3,691.16 for work completed on the LSA Stormwater Project, Money to be taken from the Capital Reserve Account.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

10. A motion was made by Langdon and 2nd Antoniak to approve payment to Antonacci Design Associates in the amount of \$1,660.00 for work completed on the Sellers Ave Project, Money to be taken from the Capital Reserve Account.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

11. A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd Miller to approve payment to Antonacci Design Associates in the amount of \$9,113.80 for work completed on the 6th street Bridge Project, Money to be taken from the Capital Reserve Account.

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

- 12.** A motion was made by Krawtz and 2nd Miller to award the Bid to Tresco Paving Corporation in the amount of \$209,244.00 for the 2025 Street Reconstruction Project, pending review of city engineer and city solicitor, and completion and submission of all necessary documents.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0)

Motion Passed

- 13.** A motion to award the Bid to K. G. D Contracting in the amount of \$377,078.00 for the 2025 Storm Sewer Improvement Project, pending review of city engineer and city solicitor, and completion and submission of all necessary documents, including an affidavit confirming the total bid price in such form prepared by the city solicitor.

Motion Was Not Voted On As It Was Pulled.

- 14.** A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd Krawtz to approve payment to Pennsylvania Soil and Rock, Incorporated in the amount of \$731.00 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

- 15.** A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd Krawtz to approve payment application #4 to CH. & D Enterprises, Inc in the amount of \$179,323.04 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

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Nay (0):

Motion Passed

16. A motion was made by Krawtz and 2nd Langdon to approve payment application #2 to Neveah Pipe Bursting in the amount of \$23,4000.00 for work completed on the Jeannette Fire Station Project, money to be taken from the Fire Station Building Fund.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

17. A motion was made by Langdon and 2nd Krawtz to approve Payment in the amount of \$9,603.40 to Weaver Construction for work completed on the Mapleton Avenue and Fifteenth Street Waterline Replacement and Encasement 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 Highlands and 2nd Antoniak to approve the transfer in the amount of \$278,650.88 from the ACT 205 account to the City of Jeannette's General Fund for reimbursement of 2024 OPEBS costs, further authorizing the transfer of said amount from the City of Jeannette's General Fund to the Somerset Trusts Savings Account.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

19. A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd Highlands to conduct the first reading and introduce **Ordinance 25-01**:

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JEANNETTE, WESTMORELAND COUNTY,
PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO 2017-07, KNOWN AS THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF**

THE CITY OF JEANNETTE, AS AMENDED; TO AMEND MAXIMUM LOT COVERAGE REQUIREMENTS; TO ADD MINIMUM BUILDING FLOOR AREA REQUIREMENTS; TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF “LIVE/WORK UNIT”, “MIXED-USE STRUCTURE”, AND “PERSONAL SERVICES” PERMITTED USES IN ADDITIONAL ZONING DISTRICTS; TO PROHIBIT THE CONVERSION OF EXISTING SINGLES FAMILY DWELLINGS TO DUPLEX, TOWNHOME, OR MULTI-FAMILY DWELLINGS; REPEALING ALL INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (1): Langdon

20. A motion was made by Langdon and 2nd by Krawtz to conduct the first reading and introduce **Ordinance 25-2:**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JEANNETTE, WESTMORELAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 16-09, § 462-18, ET SEQ., TO ADD DEFINITIONS; TO PROVIDE FOR THE REGULATIONS OF BORING, TUNNELING, ACCESS, AND INSTALLATIONS WITHIN CITY STREETS AND RIGHT-OF-WAY; REPEALING INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

21. A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd Krawtz to approve **Resolution 25-3**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JEANNETTE WESTMORELAND COUNTY, TO APPLY TO WESTMORELAND COUNTY FOR THE DEMOLITION OF A BLIGHTED STRUCTURE LOCATED AT 504 Cowan Avenue

Roll Call Vote:

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

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Nay (0);

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22. A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd Krawtz to approve **Resolution 25-4**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JEANNETTE WESTMORELAND COUNTY, TO APPLY TO
WESTMORELAND COUNTY FOR THE DEMOLITION OF A BLIGHTED STRUCTURE LOCATED
AT 638 Wylie Ave.**

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

ADJOURNMENT:

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

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

Ethan Keedy
CITY MANAGER