

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



**Thursday
June 12, 2025
6:00 PM**

The Mayor Called the meeting to order at: 6:01pm

ROLL CALL:

James Miller
Chuck Highlands
Michelle Langdon
Chad Krawtz
Curtis Antoniak

ALSO, PRESENT:

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

ABSENT WITH CAUSE

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 Krawtz and 2nd Langdon to approve the agenda.

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

MINUTES:

A motion was made by Miller and 2nd Krawtz to approve May 8, 2025 - Meeting Minutes

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

CITIZENS:

1. Kristie Linden - 240 N 5th Street: Wanted to introduce herself as the new Program Manager of the Jeannette Initiative.
2. Sharon Bush - 1011 Scott Avenue: 1016 empty lot, needs cleaned up.
3. Deacon William Wilson - Ascension and Sacred Heart, Jeannette PA: 22nd of June help with procession
4. Kramer Frye - 225 N. 1st Street: Call for investigation from 2022 on a buyer.
5. Debra Ciampini - 431 S 5th Street: Problems with house next door to her. Smell and rodents living inside of the house. The house is partially caved in.
6. Paul Lennert - 637 Division Street: Dog waste in yard and doesn't own a dog. I had to cut a neighbor's tree. Neighbors blocked the driveway.

COMMUNICATIONS:

OFFICERS REPORTS:

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

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

BILLS:

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

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Mrs. Langdon: Altman Park repairs. E-Bikes and Scooters.

Mr. Highlands: Financial Report. Code / QOL report from Bill Whetzel

Mr. Miller: Public Works Report. Report from John Carl City Foreman.

Mr. Krawtz: Sanitation Report. Joe Matijevic Fire Department Report. Update on new fire station.

Mr. Antoniak: Chief Manley's Police Report. Mayor's Report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

1. A motion was made by Krawtz and 2nd Miller to accept the resignation of Marjorie Stanislaw from the Jeannette Recreation Board starting immediately.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

2. A motion was made by Langdon and 2nd Antoniak to approve the Jeannette Catholic Community Ascension Parish Sacred Heart Parish request to have a procession from Sacred Heart Parish to Ascension Parish, further authorizing a partial road closure of the route, pending 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

- 3.** A motion was made by Krawtz and 2nd Miller to approve / DENY the sale to Luis B Zhanay Zarate, 9 East Division Street, Jeannette Pa, 15644. Parcel Tax Map Number: 14-04-01-0-005, in the amount of \$569.00 by the Tax Claim Bureau in repository sale.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

- 4.** A motion was made by Langdon and 2nd by Krawtz to approve Payment to KGD Contracting in the amount of \$8,581.05 for work completed on the Construction of the Jeannette Fire Station, Money to be taken from the Fire Station Building Fund.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

- 5.** A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd Miller to approve Payment to KGD Contracting in the amount of \$155,168.64 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

- 6.** Approve Payment was made by Antoniak and 2nd Krawtz to Neveah Pipe Bursting in the amount of \$152,006.90 for work completed on the Construction of the Jeannette Fire Station, Money to be taken from the Fire Station Building Fund.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

- 7.** A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd Krawtz to approve Payment to Acrisure in the amount of \$5,750.00 for work completed on the City of Jeannette Police Pension Plan and also approve payment in the amount of \$3,125.00 for work completed on the City of Jeannette Firemen's Pension Plan, Money to be taken from line item 01-401-201, and to be reimbursed from Act 205 Funds.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

- 8.** A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd Miller to approve a Transfer \$8,875.00 from the

Act 205 account to the City of Jeannette's General Fund Account for reimbursement of Acrisure invoices (2025-09055, and 2025-09054) for actuarial work conducted on the City of Jeannette's pension plans.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

- 9.** A motion was made by Langdon and 2nd by Krawtz to approve payment to Antonacci Design Associates in the amount of \$4,540.00 for work completed on the Sellers Ave 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

- 10.** A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd Krawtz to approve Payment to Antonacci Design Associates in the amount of \$5,986.24 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

- 11.** A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd Miller to approve Payment to Antonacci Design Associates in the amount of \$9,118.40 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

- 12.** A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd Miller to put the 2021 Dodge Durango (police vehicle) with the Police Interceptor Package, in as is condition out to bid on Municibid, Bids will be received until 4:00pm July 10th 2025.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

- 13.** A motion was made by Krawtz and 2nd Highlands to hire Johnathon Burritt as a Call Firefighter for the City of Jeannette, pending completion of all necessary paperwork, tests, 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

- 14.** A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd Miller to hire Michael Shabe as a Call Firefighter for the City of Jeannette, pending completion of all necessary paperwork, tests, 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

- 15.** A motion was made by Langdon and 2nd by Krawtz to hire Zachery Lavelle as a Call Firefighter for the City of Jeannette, pending completion of all necessary paperwork, tests, 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

- 16.** A Motion was made by Langdon and 2nd by Krawtz to hire Marcus Wise as a Call Firefighter for the City of Jeannette, pending completion of all necessary paperwork, tests, 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

- 17.** A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd Miller to rehire Tyler Horn for supplemental help for the Public works department at an hourly rate of \$20.75 per hour, with a start date of June 16th 2025, pending completion of all necessary paperwork, tests, 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

- 18.** A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd Miller to join the Foothills Council of Governments (COG) at an annual cost of \$250.00/Fees per year, and further authorizing Councilman Chad Krawtz to be the representative for City Of Jeannette.

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

Motion Passed

- 19.** A Motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd Langdon to authorize the City Engineer Edward Antonacci to prepare bid documents and, upon finalization and completion thereof, to go and put out to bid for the Sellers Ave Street Reconstruction Project.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

- 20.** A motion was made by Antoniak and 2nd Langdon to conduct the second reading and adopt **Ordinance 25-02**.

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 Langdon to approve **Resolution 25-5: A RESOLUTION OF CITY OF JEANNETTE, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, APPROVING THE SUBMISSION OF THE WALKWORKS GRANT OF THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH.**

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

- 22.** A motion was made by Langdon and 2nd by Krawtz to conduct the first reading and Introduce **Ordinance 2025-03 (LERTA):**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JEANNETTE, WESTMORELAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, UNDER THE LOCAL ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION TAX ASSISTANCE (LERTA) ACT, ESTABLISHING TAX EXEMPTIONS FROM PROPERTY TAX FOR CERTAIN DETERIORATED INDUSTRIAL, COMMERCIAL,

OR OTHER BUSINESS PROPERTY; DEFINING ELIGIBLE DETERIORATED AREAS; SETTING A MAXIMUM EXEMPTION AMOUNT AND AN EXEMPTION SCHEDULE; PROVIDING NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS AND A PROCEDURE FOR OBTAINING AN EXEMPTION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

- 23. A motion was made by Krawtz and 2nd by Langdon to conduct the first reading and Introduce Ordinance 2025-04 (Recreation Board).**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JEANNETTE, WESTMORELAND COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING THE RECREATION BOARD ORDINANCE (ORDINANCE NO. 23-02) BY REDUCING THE NUMBER OF RECREATION BOARD MEMBERS AND RE-ESTABLISHING TERMS OF CURRENT MEMBERS; REPEALING INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion to adjourn the meeting

Roll Call Vote:

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

Nay (0):

Motion Passed

**Ethan Keedy
CITY MANAGER**