 Johnstown Common Council

Business Meeting - Council Chambers, City Hall

Monday September 19, 2022 @ 6:00 p.m.

**MINUTES**

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CALL MEETING TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Amy Praught, Mayor

ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL – Carrie M. Allen, City Clerk

IN ATTENDANCE:

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| [x] Amy Praught, Mayor | [x] Thomas Herr, City Treasurer |
| [x] Scott Jeffers, Council Member-at-Large  | [x] Michael J. Poulin, City Attorney  |
| [x] Bradley Hayner, Council Member Ward 1 | [x] Carrie M. Allen, City Clerk |
| [x] Scott Miller, Council Member Ward 2 | [ ] Bruce Heberer, Fire Chief |
| [x] Eric Parker, Council Member Ward 3 | [x] David F. Gilbo, Chief of Police |
| [x] Max Spritzer, Council Member Ward 4 | [x] Christopher J. Vose, City Engineer[x] Diedrie M. Roemer, Director, Senior Citizens Program |

ABSENT

Bruce Heberer

PUBLIC SESSION – No speakers

PRESENTATIONS – N/A

PUBLIC HEARINGS – N/A

APPROVE MINUTES

* August 15, 2022

Motion to approve – Council Member Hayner

Seconded – Council Member Spritzer

Discussion: None

Ayes: 5

Noes: 0

Absent: 0

Abstain: 0

APPROVE CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS

* Motion to approve, upon review – Council Member Parker

Seconded – Council Member Hayner

Discussion: None

Ayes: 5

Noes: 0

Absent: 0

Abstain: 0

REPORTS FROM CITY DEPARTMENTS

* Reports are attached hereto and made part of the meeting minutes.

REPORTS FROM COUNCIL LIAISONS

* Eric Parker; Water Dept.
	+ Accounts Receivable $194, Accounts Payable $5.6 million; this was money handed back over to City for sewer
* Chris Vose; Joint Sewer Board
* Scott Jeffers, Planning Board – absent; Vose gave report
	+ Church bought Jansen Ave School – public hearing scheduled for September 6th
* Scott Miller, Assessor
	+ Working on roll for 2023
	+ All exemptions due by March 1st
	+ All STAR exemptions are processed directly with NYS at [www.tax.ny.gov/star](http://www.tax.ny.gov/star)

LOCAL LAW – N/A

ORDINANCE – N/A

MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS

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| 65. | Appointment to Board of Assessment Review Board – Lindsay Hinkle |
|  | Presented by Councilmember  | Hayner | Seconded by Councilmember Spritzer |  |
|  | Discussion: None |
|  | Ayes: 5 |
|  | Noes: 0 |
|  | Absent: 0 Abstain: 0 |

RESOLUTIONS

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| 66. | Contract w/ Arcadis for ongoing site management work at the former Karg Bros. Tannery |
|  | Presented by Councilmember  | Miller | Seconded by Councilmember Jeffers |  |
|  | Discussion: None |
|  | Ayes: 5 |  |  |
|  | Noes: 0 |  |  |
|  | Absent: 0  |  |  |
|  | Abstain: 0 |  |  |
| 67. | Authorize Greenman-Pedersen, Inc. to solicit sealed bids for the Cork Center Reservoir Dam, Phase II Valve Replacement Project |
|  | Presented by Councilmember | Parker | Seconded by Councilmember Hayner |  |
|  | Discussion:  |
|  | Ayes: 5 |
|  | Noes: 0 |
|  | Absent: 0  |
|  | Abstain: 0 |

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| 68. | Contract w/ Greenman-Pedersen, Inc. to prepare and submit annual certifications relating to Cork Center and Cold Brook Dam |
|  | Presented by Councilmember  | Spritzer | Seconded by Councilmember | Jeffers |
|  | Discussion: None |
|  | Ayes: 5 |  |  |
|  | Noes: 0 |  |  |
|  | Absent: 0Abstain: 0  |  |  |

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| 69. | NYS DOT acquisition / offer of settlement for property at St. Hwy. 247; Warren Creek-Red School House Map 31, Parcels 3&4 for culvert replacement and maintenance |
|  | Presented by Councilmember  | Jeffers | Seconded by Councilmember  | Parker |
|  | Discussion: |
|  | Ayes: 5 |  |  |
|  | Noes: 0 |  |  |
|  | Absent: 0Abstain: 0  |  |  |

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| 70. | Enter into an agreement w/ PNJ Technology Partners to provide service and support for 2 factor authentication |
|  | Presented by Councilmember  | Hayner | Seconded by Councilmember  | Spritzer |
|  | Discussion:  |
|  | Ayes: 5 |  |  |
|  | Noes: 0 |  |  |
|  | Absent: 0 Abstain: 0 |  |  |

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| 71. | Advertise for Bids – City owned property; 237 N. Perry St |
|  | Presented by Councilmember  | Miller | Seconded by Councilmember Hayner |  |
|  | Discussion:  |
|  | Ayes: 5 |
|  | Noes: 0 |
|  | Absent: 0 Abstain: 0  |

DISCUSSION – N/A

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. **Proclamation – National Recovery Month**
2. **Columbus Day – Monday, October 10th; City Offices Closed**
3. **Harvest Festival – Saturday, October 15th**
4. **Farmers Market –** Tuesday evenings from June 28th- October 11th 3 pm - 6 pm
5. Budget talks have begun for 2023 Budget
6. Citizens Band – thanked the Council and DPW for the bench and ramp for the Bandshell
7. Football banners have been hung on Main Street
8. Thanked DPW for all their work on getting City ready for the court’s 250th Anniversary
9. Councilmember Hayner and his wife have recently purchased and opened Perry Lanes
10. Business Meeting – Monday, October 17th @ 6pm

EXECUTIVE SESSION – N/A

MOTION TO ADJOURN at 6:40 p.m.

* Council Member Hayner

Seconded – Council Member Spritzer

Discussion: None

Ayes: 5

Noes: 0

Absent: 0

Abstain: 0

Respectfully submitted,



Carrie M. Allen, City Clerk