

The Johnstown Common Council held a Committee Meeting on November 2, 2015 at 7:00p.m., in the Council Chambers, City Hall.

PRESENT:

Michael B. Julius	: Mayor
Christopher Swatt	: Council Member-at-Large
Kathi Iannotti	: Council Member
Helen Martin	: “ “
Vernon Jackson	: “ “
Brett Preston	: City Attorney
Bruce Heberer	: Fire Chief
Mark Gifford	: Police Chief
Erica Wing	: Library Director
Michelle Jones	: Senior Center Director
Christopher Vose	: City Engineer
Michael Gifford	: City Treasurer
Cathy A. VanAlstyne	: City Clerk

ABSENT:

Cynthia Lakata : Council Member

Mayor Julius called the meeting to order and led in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL – one council member absent.

PUBLIC SPEAKERS – none

MINUTES – minutes of the October 19, 2015 and October 21, 2015 meetings were approved with a motion from Council Member-at-Large Swatt and seconded by Council Member Martin. Motion carried.

CITY OFFICIAL’S REPORTS

LIBRARY – Director Erica Wing reported they had received a grant from the Mohawk Valley Library Association to upgrade their wireless router.

FIRE DEPT. – Chief Heberer reported the Code Office has been very busy. All three projects that were approved by the Planning Board are underway.

SENIOR CENTER – Director Michelle Jones reported on November 5th the 50+ Club will have a speaker from Office for the Aging to talk about insurance programs. A trip to Lancaster is planned for Nov. 17-19th and a shopping trip is planned for Nov. 23rd.

POLICE DEPT. – Chief Mark Gifford reminded residents that the winter parking ban goes in affect December 1st. Vehicles must be off city streets by midnight. Permits for parking in city lots can be obtained at the City Clerk’s Office.

DPW – City Engineer Christopher Vose reported the CHIPS paving is underway. The sidewalks are done. They are still working on the N. East Ave. culvert. Leaf pick up will begin this week.

CITY TREASURER- Mike Gifford explained the resolution on tonight’s agenda for standard work days for all new official appointments. A resolution was adopted last month for non-official employees.

ORDINANCE No. 4, 2015 was presented by Council Member Martin to amend Chapter 20, Section 20-209, No parking any time on E. Third Ave., south side. Seconded by Council Member Iannotti.

Ayes: 4

Noes: 0

Absent: 1 Lakata

RESOLUTION No. 69, 2015 was presented by Council Member-at-Large Swatt to establish standard work days for elected and appointed officials. Seconded by Council Member Martin.

Ayes: 4

Noes: 0

Absent: 1 Lakata

RESOLUTION No. 70, 2015 was presented by Council Member Iannotti to rescind Resolution No. 48, 2015 due to an error in the amount to be reimbursed to the City from NYS DOT for N. Market St. Bridge Project. Seconded by Council Member-at-Large Swatt.

Ayes: 4

Noes: 0

Absent: 1 Lakata

RESOLUTION No. 71, 2015 was presented by Council Member Iannotti to execute Supplemental Agreement No. 9 between City of Johnstown and the NYS DOT for reimbursement for the N. Market St. Bridge Project. Seconded by Council Member Iannotti.

Discussion: Mr. Vose explained the amount to be reimbursed includes the City share.

Ayes: 4

Noes: 0

Absent: 1 Lakata

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Election Day – November 3rd – polls open from 6am-9pm.

Veterans' Day Program – November 11th at 11a.m. – Main St. Park

City Hall Closed – November 11th, 26th and 27th.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – Council Member Iannotti moved to enter into executive session at 7:15p.m. for the discussion of an appointment for an individual. Motion was seconded by Council Member-at-Large Swatt. Motion carried.

Council Member-at-Large Swatt made a motion at 7:25 to come out of executive session seconded by Council Member Martin. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn was made by Council Member-at-Large Swatt and seconded by Council Member Martin. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy A. VanAlstyne
City Clerk