



**Johnstown Common Council**  
Business Meeting - Council Chambers, City Hall  
Tuesday, February 18, 2025 @ 6:00 p.m.

**REPORTS FROM CITY DEPARTMENTS**

Assessor

Clerk

Engineer / Department of Public Works / Water

Fire / Code Enforcement

Police

Senior Center

Treasurer



# City of Johnstown

## Assessor's Office

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## ASSESSOR REPORT February 18, 2025

- **All exemptions are due March 1, 2025.** Failure to file your exemption by March 1<sup>st</sup> may result in the loss of the exemption. **Final reminders** for the Renewal applications for the Partial Tax Exemption for Senior Citizens were mailed on February 11<sup>th</sup>.
- For questions regarding ANY exemption, please call or email the Assessor's Office at 518-736-4015 or [assessor@cityofjohnstown.ny.gov](mailto:assessor@cityofjohnstown.ny.gov).
- A reminder, anyone turning 65 this calendar year may be eligible for the Enhanced STAR and/or the Partial Tax Exemption for Senior Citizens. The Partial Tax Exemption for Senior Citizens total income limit is \$29,999 for the tax year 2023. If you believe you may qualify, please contact the Assessor's office for an application.
- The Assessor's Office continues to work on the 2025 roll.

City Clerk Monthly Report  
January 01, 2025 - January 31, 2025

Account#	Account Description	Fee Description	Qty	Local Share
A1255	A Vendor	A Vendor	3	70.00
	FOIL Request	FOIL Request	1	15.46
	Snow Plow	Snow Plow	2	10.00
			<b>Sub-Total:</b>	<b>\$95.46</b>
A2530	Racing & Wagering Fees	Bell Jar License	1	10.00
			<b>Sub-Total:</b>	<b>\$10.00</b>
A2544	Dog Licensing	Female, Spayed	19	133.00
		Female, Unspayed	1	13.00
		Male, Neutered	13	91.00
		Male, Unneutered	1	13.00
			<b>Sub-Total:</b>	<b>\$250.00</b>
A2555	DPW Permits	Right of Way/Dumpster	4	40.00
		Street Opening	3	295.00
			<b>Sub-Total:</b>	<b>\$335.00</b>
A2590	Landfill	Landfill Permit	352	12,320.00
			<b>Sub-Total:</b>	<b>\$12,320.00</b>
General Fund	Vital Records	Copies	40	400.00
			<b>Sub-Total:</b>	<b>\$400.00</b>

**Total Local Shares Remitted:      \$13,410.46**

Amount paid to: New York State Comptroller's Office \_\_\_\_\_ 15.00  
 Amount paid to: NYS Ag. & Markets for spay/neuter program \_\_\_\_\_ 38.00

**Total State, County & Local Revenues:      \$13,463.46**

**Total Non-Local Revenues:      \$53.00**

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true statement of fees and monies received by me, Carrie M. Allen, City Clerk, City of Johnstown during the period stated above, in connection with my office.

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk
Date



# City of Johnstown

## City Engineer's Office

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Christopher J. Vose  
City Engineer

Jeffrey A. Putman  
Deputy City Engineer

February 12, 2025

### Monthly Report for February 18th, 2025 Common Council Meeting

CT Male continues to work on Route 30A and Able Drive water line replacement projects with all of the projects in various stages of progress. We are continuing our preparation for the next steps of the Lead Service Line Replacement Project (LSLRP) with CT Male which will include all of the properties that are eligible to have their water services replaced due to being constructed of lead. We still need to determine how to distribute the funds and the plan to fund the replacement of the remaining services not covered under this project as we need to have them all removed within the next 10 years per NYSDOH. The door replacement project at the filtration plants is substantially complete. We are currently just finalizing door locks and how to best key the facilities to allow the operators to remain efficient.

GPI continues to work on various projects for the City as well including the valve replacement project at the Hydaddy dam. We had two contractors submit bids for both the base bid of the valve replacement along with the alternate addition of a CMU valve house building to cover the lower valve. Currently there is a deck that keeps the existing valves out of the elements but a more permanent solution is really needed. GPI reviewed both bids and based on the base bid and the alternate bid their recommendation is the low bidder, Wolfe Excavation.

GPI also continues to work on the Townsend Ave bridge replacement project. We have completed all ROW acquisitions and all associated paperwork was submitted to NYSDOT on 2/12/2025. GPI will now continue on completing the final design which is close to completion. We are also tying up some loose ends with utility relocation in preparation for construction. The current plan remains for construction in summer 2025.

City DPW crews are planning work on Warren Street near the Warren Street school to remove and repair a large heave in the roadway in this area during the week of February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2025. Please note we are doing this while school is closed to try to mitigate as much impact on traffic as possible but travel in this area will be interrupted during the work.

City water crews have also been responding to multiple water leaks and leaky meters during the past month. Please keep in mind if you have a home that is vacant or otherwise allows for water pipes to be exposed to the cold weather they are at risk of freezing and breaking which if not caught can lead to damage of the house or an increased water bill. Please be cognizant if you have a home or are responsible to a property that has this situation during the cold months.

City plow crews have continued to be busy so far this winter season and we are aware of some areas where curbs or terrace areas have been damaged during plowing operations. We ask that once the snow melts for the year if you have any plow damage to report it to us so we can repair it in the spring time.

We have also completed multiple rounds of snow removal around the Main Street area and the central business district of the City. However the amount of snow we are getting this year is also presenting the need to remove snow off of many residential streets around the City and DPW crews are currently working on some of the trouble areas where the snow is reducing visibility or restricting vehicular traffic.

We have received several complaints of unmaintained sidewalks throughout the City and will be performing ward sweeps for unmaintained sidewalks as needed for the remainder of the winter. Violating properties will receive violation notices citing the City code for sidewalk maintenance and the need to comply with the code. Please keep in mind that it is the property owners responsibility to keep the sidewalks free of snow and ice so please ensure you are doing so to avoid and potential violation notices or fees from having City crews complete the work.

Respectfully Submitted, Christopher J. Vose City Engineer

# **Johnstown Fire Department Monthly Report**

**Month of January 2025**

## **Training:**

In-service training for Fire, EMS, and Code Enforcement is ongoing. Eight members of the department participated in Company Officer leadership Training.

## **Fire Department Activity:**

The department responded to 225 calls for emergencies. We responded to 3 structure fires in the city. As a result of early notification, assistance from the Gloversville Fire Department, and great response from our department all three structures sustained minimal damage.

## **EMS Activity:**

The department EMS personnel responded to 156 calls for service. On January 19th we hired a paramedic to our department. Paramedic Daryl Clifford filled a vacancy we've had since September of 2024.

## **Code Enforcement:**

This month the codes division issued 28 building permits with an estimated cost of construction \$288,562.00. Permit fees collected for this period was \$1630.00  
The code department conducted multiple inspections, and investigated complaints as received.



**CITY OF JOHNSTOWN**  
**JOHNSTOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT**



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**Calls Handled:**

- For the January 2025, the Police Department handled 476 calls for service.
- Out of those calls for service, 64 criminal cases were generated.
- There were 37 arrests made during the month.
  - 22 of those arrested were Males.
    - 0 -American Indian/Alaska Native
    - 0 -Asian
    - 0 -Black/African-American
      - 0 -Hispanic
      - 0 -Not Hispanic/Latino
    - 0 -Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander
    - 0 -Unknown
    - 20 -White
      - 2 -Hispanic/Latino
      - 18 -Not Hispanic/Latino
  - 15 of those arrested were Females.
    - 0 -American Indian/Alaska Native
    - 1 -Asian
    - 0 -Black/African-American
      - 0 -Hispanic/Latino
      - 0 -Not Hispanic/Latino
    - 0 -Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander
    - 0 -Unknown
    - 14 -White
      - 0 -Hispanic/Latino
      - 14 -Not Hispanic/Latino



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**Calls Handled (Cont'd):**

- There were, 241 Citations issued.
  - 142 - Citations issued were Parking Tickets.
  - 99 - Citations issued were Traffic Tickets.
  
- There were 34 Traffic Accidents Investigated.

**Training & Other News:**

Currently working on forms to be posted to the City's website allowing the public to submit information to the department directly over the internet.

Also working on Department Stats and other information that be monthly, real time, and trends that we are seeing this will also be available on the City's website when completed. This is all a part of the City's Digital Transformation Project.

The Administration is working on gathering Quotes and documents to Purchase Vehicles, Computer Equipment in order to be able to purchase once Bonding is completed.

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## Shirley J. Luck Senior Citizens Center

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The Shirley J. Luck Center had about 1,000 people attending a class, activity, or event in the month of January. Membership continues to grow and we had 284 members at the end of January which does not include our 36 Lifetime members over the age of 90. It is truly amazing how busy we are with the parking lot almost full, on days with just regular events like the card players, knit & crochet, and men's pool. Special events like our Valentine's Luncheon on February 12<sup>th</sup> with music performed by the Dreamcatchers fills our dining room. Our next "Family Breakfast" is being held on Sunday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> from 8-11:30am. We have a beautiful raffle basket with a variety of items including gift certificates and lottery tickets which are always a big draw. The winner will be drawn at the end of the breakfast. All proceeds from the breakfast go towards improvements at the center. This is a large community event open to everyone, so please bring your family and friends and enjoy a delicious breakfast.

I want to thank our DPW for their help with painting several rooms which we are now calling "The Gathering Place". In addition to painting, we also had new flooring installed making the whole area look bigger and brighter. Members are already expressing how nice it looks and they like having their own area to meet and socialize. We are now able to schedule specific groups like the Painting Class, Knit & Crochet, Mah Jongg and others in the Gathering Place.

Amanda Curtain from SNAP-Ed New York will be here on March 5<sup>th</sup> from 10 -11am to present a workshop called "Eating Better on a Budget". Older adults are feeling the effects of the increased prices for groceries, and Amanda's workshops will provide information and ideas to help stretch their dollars. You don't have to be a member to attend as we welcome everyone to community events like this.

The AARP Tax Aide Program is back at the center for those 50 years and over. This is a volunteer program and there is no cost to have your taxes done. The appointments are almost full, and you can call us at 518-762-4643 to schedule an appointment.

The next Defensive Driving Class will be held on Wednesday, April 30<sup>th</sup> from 9:30a-3:30p. Class size is limited to 40 and the cost is \$25 for members of the center and \$35 for non-members. The class is being taught by Frank Clemente and you will get a discount on your insurance for attending the class.

Our newsletter, "The Eavesdropper" has all the details on classes and events. Check us out on Facebook or call the business office at 518-762-4643 if you would like it emailed. Drive up and get one outside the business office hanging on the post, or come in and have a cup of coffee and see what is going on.

Respectfully submitted,  
Diedrie Roemer  
Executive Director





# City of Johnstown

## Office of the Treasurer

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February 13, 2025

- AFRs (formally AUD) – We are now finalizing the 2023 Financials. When complete we will be completing the 2023 AFR within this month to submit to the state.
- Taxes – Properties that have delinquent 2023 City, 2023 School and 2024 County taxes will be receiving a letter about the taxes being bundled. They will have 30 days to be able to pay the taxes separately. After the 30 days the taxes will be bundled together and a \$25 advertising fee will be added. The properties will be posted in the paper and the owners will have to pay the complete amount to avoid foreclosure in the future.
- Water Billing – South end water bills are currently out and are due at the end of the month without penalty.
- Sales Tax
  - o January 2025 – \$445,964.32 (\$10,525.76 Increase from January 2024)
    - \$10,525.76 Increase from 2024 to date.
- Claims and Accounts Total
  - o \$582,970.39
- Balances as of February 13<sup>th</sup> 2025
  - o General Fund Bank Balance - \$888,792.92
  - o Water Fund Bank Balance - \$1,793,166.95
  - o Sewer Fund Bank Balance - \$701,894.44
  - o EMS Fund Bank Balance - \$516,760.22

Respectfully Submitted,

*Thomas Herr*

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City Treasurer