

JOHNSTOWN CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Wednesday, December 14, 2016

City Council met in a stated session for the general transaction of business. Mayor Frank Janakovic called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Interim City Manager Melissa Komar offered the invocation, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mayor Janakovic noted an Executive Session was held on December 6, 2016, prior to the commencement of the Special Council Meeting to discuss litigation and personnel issues.

PROCLAMATIONS, AWARDS, HONORS, RESOLUTIONS OF RECOGNITION:

Daniel Schrader was sworn in as the newest member of the Johnstown Police Department.

Mayor Janakovic announced on behalf of Councilmembers that there will be no real estate or other tax increase for the 2017 Budget. He thanked Budget Director Steve Keith, Interim City Manager Melissa Komar, Economic Development Director, Renee Daly and all City employees for assisting and cooperating to achieve this outcome. The Mayor noted the collective effort on all parts, including City Council members.

Mayor Janakovic noted the receipt of Interim City Manager Melissa Komar's resignation effective December 30, 2016. Best of luck was extended to her in all her future endeavors. Mr. Vitovich and members of Council extended congratulations and best wishes to Mrs. Komar.

The Mayor noted that contract negotiations for a new City Manager were in the final stages to become effective Tuesday, January 3, 2017.

The following members of Council were present for roll call:

Mayor Janakovic, Mr. Johncola, Mrs. Mock, Mrs. Stanton, Mr. Vitovich, Mr. Vizza, Mr. Williams (7).

Interim City Manager Melissa Komar and Elizabeth Benjamin, Solicitor, were also present.

Mr. Williams made a motion to accept Mrs. Komar's resignation. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Stanton and passed by the following vote:

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Yeas: Mayor Janakovic, Mr. Johncola, Mrs. Mock, Mrs. Stanton,
Mr. Vitovich, Mr. Vizza, Mr. Williams (7).
Nays: None (0).

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Williams made a motion to approve the Minutes of the October 26, 2016 Regular Meeting, October 31, 2016 Special Meeting, and the November 9, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Vitovich and passed by the following vote:

Yeas: Mr. Johncola, Mrs. Mock, Mrs. Stanton, Mr. Vitovich, Mr. Vizza,
Mr. Williams, Mayor Janakovic (7).
Nays: None (0).

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

James Brown, 391 Piney Place, Johnstown, addressed Council with regard to Bill No. 41, which had been previously tabled. Mr. Brown discussed his opinions regarding consolidation. He asked that Council "work together" and wished all a Merry Christmas.

REPORT BY CITY MANAGER

Melissa Komar, Interim City Manager, reported that the Finance Department worked closely with various insurance companies to reduce the Workers' Compensation insurance premiums. She noted the budget on the agenda for amendment.

Mrs. Komar noted the Fire Department quickly contained recent fires in Oakhurst, Prospect, and Old Conemaugh Borough. She further noted members are being trained on hazardous materials updates.

It was noted the Johnstown Police Department participated in stated-funded Aggressive Driver and Buckle Up PA traffic enforcement programs. The Department maintains its involvement in the Cambria County Drug Coalition and the Victim Services Group regarding human trafficking and the sexual assault response team. Mrs. Komar noted that Captain Janciga was requested to participate in a televised special on gun violence in February at WPSU, University Park.

Mrs. Komar noted the Public Works repairs completed on the Sixth Avenue Bridge walkway. Shifts will commence to provide snow removal throughout the evenings and overnight.

The City Manager reported that the DCED staff met with a preservation organization regarding the demolition process for historically significant neighborhoods and buildings. Documentation will be submitted with the demolition request.

Mrs. Komar noted the City's residential rehab program provided \$461,000 worth of housing and rehab projects between January and December, including 16 owner-occupied first-time home buyer, 1 rental rehab, and 3 emergency rehabs.

It was noted that Johnstown will be hosting the 2017 Annual Action Plan Public Hearing on Monday, December 19, 2016, at five o'clock in anticipation of 2017 funds in March.

Mr. Williams requested an additional explanation regarding the insurance premium reductions. Mrs. Komar noted a \$200,000 savings as a result of negotiations.

Mrs. Stanton requested an update regarding the sidewalks on Sell Street. Mrs. Komar noted that no response had been received from Continental Construction.

REPORT BY THE MAYOR

Frank Janakovic, Mayor, reported on attending the Moxham Light Up Night on December 2, 2016, with members of UPJ and Doctor Spectar.

Captain Janciga thanked Vested Interest in K9s Incorporated for their donation of vests. He also thanked the community for supporting the canine unit throughout the years.

The Mayor thanked all who were involved in the numerous Budget meetings and interviews for City Manager.

Mayor Janakovic was invited to participate in the Cambria County Steering Committee, which is a group of mayors and councilmembers, business people and citizens within the county who work together on a regional plan for the area.

There was discussion regarding inviting Judge Krumenacker as well as the local municipalities for further discussion regarding consolidation as part of the recovery plan.

REPORT BY THE CITY SOLICITOR

Elizabeth Benjamin, Esquire, City Solicitor, referred to documents created by her office addressing amendments of Bill Nos. 48 and 49. She will further discuss the bills at the appropriate time.

REPORT BY THE CITY ENGINEER

No Report.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS/NEIGHBORHOOD REPORTS

Mr. Vitovich discussed the Johnstown Housing Authority planning and recycling meeting held on December 1, 2016. He noted the Public Works Director and Johnstown Housing Authority Director of Maintenance will determine the locations, taking into consideration the locations provided by the residents. Canisters will be ordered based on need. Flyers will be distributed to residents on a date to be determined.

Mr. Vizza thanked Reverend Alice Tondora and the congregation of the First Presbyterian Church on Lincoln Street for the Thanksgiving dinner that was provided on November 24, 2016, to approximately 200 people.

Mr. Williams thanked the Johnstown Fire Department for their efforts.

Mr. Johncola thanked Public Works for taking care of the Prospect streets after the first snow. Mr. Johncola noted several compliments regarding the Central Park Christmas Tree.

Mrs. Mock reported members of the United Neighborhood organization will speak at the next Council meeting regarding their efforts. She noted the West End Improvement Group will apply for more grants in the spring to obtain additional cameras.

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Mrs. Stanton reported on attending UPJ's Light Up Night. She thanked Mr. Warhul for heading a food drive for the Park Avenue United Methodist Church. 400 food items, \$140 and 79 stockings were received for distribution.

Mrs. Stanton has been walking to pick up garbage every Saturday in Moxham with Pastor Bob and the Moxham Lutheran church.

Mrs. Stanton commented regarding the illegal tire and furniture dumping on Ore Street in Prospect. She noted the icy conditions on Barnett Street and requested that the matter be addressed.

Mayor Janakovic commented on the recent train on wheels setup for the kids in Central Park. He stated a better set of cameras for Central Park is being considered.

Mr. Williams requested Mrs. Komar's transfers submitted without resolution be made part of the Minutes.

COUNCIL UPDATES:

Code Complaints: Charlene Stanton-14.

PETITIONS

None.

ORDINANCES FOR FINAL READ AND ADOPTION:

Mr. Williams made a motion to remove Bill No. 41 and Bill No. 42 from table for the purpose of amending the 2017 Budget and 2017 Wage and Salary Ordinance. The motion was seconded by Mayor Janakovic.

Attorney Benjamin stated Bill No. 41 and Bill No. 42 need to be updated to the final numbers and further would need to be brought off the table in order to be amended.

Yeas: Mrs. Mock, Mrs. Stanton, Mr. Vitovich, Mr. Vizza, Mr. Williams, Mayor Janakovic, Mr. Johncola (7).

Nays: None (0).

BILL NO. 41 OF 2016, AN ORDINANCE ESTIMATING THE AMOUNT OF REVENUES TO BE RECEIVED BY THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN FROM VARIOUS SOURCES AND APPROPRIATING SPECIFIC SUMS ESTIMATED TO BE REQUIRED FOR SPECIFIC PURPOSES FOR THE OPERATIONS FOR THE VARIOUS BUREAUS, DEPARTMENTS AND THE PAYMENT OF DEBT SERVICE OBLIGATIONS OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA, FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY, 1, 2017 (Tabled November 9, 2016).

BILL NO. 42 OF 2016, AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE SALARIES AND WAGES TO BE PAID ALL ELECTED OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS AND BUREAUS OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA, FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2017 (Tabled November 9, 2016).

Mr. Williams noted that by Home Rule Charter Bill No. 41 was presented to Council for first read. Since that time and five budget meetings, City Council received a letter from Recovery stating the budget as presented was not in accordance with the Recovery Plan. He commended Council members for working together without assistance with the Recovery team to achieve a balanced budget.

Mr. Williams made a motion to amend Bill No. 41 of 2016 as per the workshop discussion. The motion was seconded by Mr. Johncola and passed by the following vote:

Yeas: Mrs. Stanton, Mr. Vitovich, Mr. Vizza, Mr. Williams,
Mayor Janakovic, Mr. Johncola, Mrs. Mock (7).

Nays: None (0).

Mr. Williams made a motion to table Bill No. 41 as amended, final passage December 28, 2016, with a public hearing held prior to that. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Mock and passed by the following vote:

Yeas: Mr. Vitovich, Mr. Vizza, Mr. Williams, Mayor Janakovic,
Mr. Johncola, Mrs. Mock, Mrs. Stanton (7).

Nays: None (0).

Mr. Williams referred members to Bill No. 42 for further discussion.

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Mr. Williams made a motion to amend Bill No. 42. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Stanton and passed by the following vote:

Yeas: Mr. Vizza, Mr. Williams, Mayor Janakovic, Mr. Johncola,
Mrs. Mock, Mrs. Stanton, Mr. Vitovich (7).
Nays: None (0).

Mr. Williams made a motion to table Bill No. 42, final passage December 28. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Stanton and passed by the following vote:

Yeas: Mr. Williams, Mayor Janakovic, Mr. Johncola, Mrs. Mock,
Mrs. Stanton, Mr. Vitovich, Mr. Vizza (7).
Nays: None (0).

**BILL NO. 43 OF 2016, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CODIFIED ORDINANCE
CHAPTER 874 TITLED EARNED INCOME TAX, SUBSECTION 874.02;
IMPOSITION; RATE AND FURTHER BY REPEALING.**

Mr. Williams made a motion to table with final passage on December 28, 2016. The motion was seconded by Mayor Janakovic and passed by the following vote:

Yeas: Mayor Janakovic, Mr. Johncola, Mrs. Mock, Mrs. Stanton,
Mr. Vitovich, Mr. Vizza, Mr. Williams (7).
Nays: None (0).

ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READ

**BILL NO. 40 OF 2016, AN ORDINANCE BY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
JOHNSTOWN, CAMBRIA COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, PLACING ON
THE MAY 17, 2017 PRIMARY ELECTION BALLOT FOR THE CITY OF
JOHNSTOWN THE VOTER REFERENDUM QUESTION FOR
CONSIDERATION BY THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN ELECTORATE TO
REDUCE THE NUMBER OF ELECTED COUNCILPERSONS FROM SIX
(6) COUNCILPERSONS AND ONE (1) MAYOR TO FOUR (4)
COUNCILPERSONS AND ONE (1) MAYOR EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1,
2018 (Tabled October 26, 2016). Remained tabled.**

**BILL NO. 44 OF 2016, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CODIFIED ORDINANCE
CHAPTER 482 TITLED PARKING GENERALLY, SUBSECTION 482.197**

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TITLED PARKING GARAGES, MONTHLY PERMITS, RATES (F)
PASSED FINALLY BY ORDINANCE 4790 PASSED 11-12-97 BY
FURTHER AMENDING TO ADJUST AND ESTABLISH MONTHLY
PARKING RATES.

Mr. Williams noted this will be considered finally on December 28, 2016.

Mr. Williams made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Mock and Mr. Vitovich and passed by the following vote:

Yeas: Mrs. Mock, Mrs. Stanton, Mr. Vitovich, Mr. Vizza, Mr. Williams,
Mayor Janakovic, Mr. Johncola (7).

Nays: None (0).

BILL NO. 45 OF 2016, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CODIFIED
ORDINANCES O THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, CHAPTER 482 TITLED
PARKING GENERALLY, SUBSECTION 482.195 TITLED
IMMOBILIZATION OF MOTOR VEHICLES (F) BOOTING FEES AS
PASSED FINALLY AND AS AMENDED BY ORDINANCE 4713 PASSED
2-22-95; ORDINANCE 5048. PASSED 12-18-90.

Mr. Williams made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Mr. Vitovich.

Booting fee corrections were discussed, as well as a clarification for distribution of the fees.

The motion passed by the following vote:

Yeas: Mrs. Stanton, Mr. Vitovich, Mr. Vizza, Mr. Williams,
Mayor Janakovic, Mr. Johncola, Mrs. Mock (7).

Nays: None (0).

BILL NO. 46 IF 2016, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 5060
PASSED FINALLY MARCH 10, 2010 AND CODIFIED CHAPTER 422
TITLED ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTY SUBSECTION 422.02
REMOVAL AND IMPOUNDING OF VEHICLES (K) TOWING AND
IMPOUNDING CHARGES BY INCREASING ADMINISTRATIVE
CHARGE DUE THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN.

Mr. Williams made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Stanton and passed by the following vote:

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Yeas: Mr. Vitovich, Mr. Vizza, Mr. Williams, Mayor Janakovic,
Mr. Johncola, Mrs. Mock, Mrs. Stanton (7).
Nays: None (0).

With regard Bill No. 46, Mr. Williams noted that \$100 would be for the parking fund and \$50 for debt service.

BILL NO. 47 OF 2016, AN ORDINANCE OF CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 5192 OF 2015 AS AMENDED BY ORDINANCE NO. 5201 PASSED FINALLY ON JUNE 28, 2016, AND ORDINANCE NO. 5203 PASSED FINALLY ON AUGUST 11, 2016, AND ORDINANCE NO. 5207 PASSED FINALLY ON OCTOBER 12, 2016, SETTING FORTH THE 2016 CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, EXHIBIT A TO INCLUDE BOTH DEBT SERVICE AND GENERAL FUND REVENUE AND EXPENSES FOR THE \$6,000,000.00 UNFUNDED DEBT LOAN TO BE RECEIVED BY YEAR END IN 2016.

Mrs. Mock made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Mr. Vitovich and passed by the following vote:

Yeas: Mr. Vizza, Mr. Williams, Mayor Janakovic, Mr. Johncola, Mrs. Mock,
Mrs. Stanton, Mr. Vitovich (7).
Nays: None (0).

BILL NO. 48 OF 2016, AN ORDINANCE SPECIFICALLY AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 5166 PASSED FINALLY JANUARY 28, 2015 AND AS AMENDED IN ORDINANCE 5179 PASSED FINALLY AUGUST 12, 2015 AND KNOWN AS THE LATERAL RESALE ORDINANCE TO REVISE AND FURTHER ESTABLISH VALIDITY PERIODS FOR THE TEMPORARY CERTIFICATES OF COMPLIANCE ISSUED AND TO ADDRESS ADDITIONAL MATTERS PERTAINING TO SAID TIME PERIODS.

Mrs. Mock made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Mr. Johncola.

Mr. Williams discussed either amending Bill No. 48 or tabling it for further discussion.

Attorney Benjamin further explained the ordinance. Mrs. Stanton inquired whether the ordinance was compliant with the Consent Order and Agreement of July of 2014. Mr. Williams commented that "right now we're in violation of the

Consent Order." There was further discussion on the ordinance. Mrs. Mock suggested the ordinance be tabled.

Mrs. Mock made a motion to table. The motion was seconded by Mr. Williams and passed by the following vote:

Yeas: Mr. Williams, Mr. Johncola, Mrs. Mock, Mrs. Stanton, Mr. Vitovich, Mr. Vizza (6).

Nays: None (0).

Mayor Janakovic abstained from voting on the motion.

BILL NO. 49 OF 2016, AN ORDINANCE TITLED: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 4719 PASSED FINALLY APRIL 12, 1995 AND AS AMENDED BY ORDINANCE 5062 PASSED FINALLY MARCH 24, 2010 TITLED: AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A PERSONNEL POLICY FOR ALL CITY OF JOHNSTOWN EMPLOYEES BY FURTHER ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES AND POLICIES FOR THE EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN BY FURTHER AMENDING CERTAIN SECTIONS TO PROVIDE UPDATED PROCEDURES AND POLICIES FOR THE EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN.

Mrs. Mock made a motion to table. The motion was seconded by Mr. Vitovich and passed by the following vote:

Yeas: Mayor Janakovic, Mr. Johncola, Mrs. Mock, Mrs. Stanton, Mr. Vitovich, Mr. Vizza, Mr. Williams (7).

Nays: None (0).

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, CAMBRIA COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA DIRECTING THE INTERIM CITY MANAGER AND THE CITY SOLICITOR TO PREPARE, DRAFT A WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE FOR SIGNATURES OF ALL MEMBERS OF JOHNSTOWN CITY COUNCIL TO THE SURROUNDING MUNICIPALITIES KNOWN TO BE PART OF THE GREATER JOHNSTOWN AREA TO DETERMINE IF THERE EXISTS INTEREST BY THE RESIDENTS AND ELECTED OFFICIALS OF THE RESPECTIVE

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MUNICIPALITIES AS TO THE FEASIBILITY OF ANY POSSIBLE
MUNICIPAL CONSOLIDATION (Tabled October 12, 2016).

Mr. Williams made a motion to remove from table. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Stanton and defeated by the following vote:

Yeas: Mrs. Stanton, Mr. Vizza, Mr. Williams (3).

Nays: Mr. Johncola, Mrs. Mock, Mr. Vitovich, Mayor Janakovic (4).

Resolution No. 9906

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN,
PENNSYLVANIA, APPOINTING BEARD LEGAL GROUP, P.C., AS
SPECIAL LABOR COUNSEL EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 7, 2016.

Mr. Vitovich made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Mock.

Mr. Williams suggested an additional clarification of the Recovery Plan. Attorney Benjamin explained Mr. Williams is correct regarding the amended Recovery Plan. She noted that obviously the resolution could be amended to two years if Council desired.

Mr. Williams made a motion to amend to a two-year contract expiring December 31, 2018. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Stanton and passed by the following vote:

Yeas: Mrs. Mock, Mrs. Stanton, Mr. Vitovich, Mr. Vizza, Mr. Williams,
Mayor Janakovic, Mr. Johncola (7).

Nays: None (0).

Resolution No. 9907

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN,
PENNSYLVANIA, ESTABLISHING THE SCHEDULE OF CITY
COUNCIL MEETINGS AND WORKSHOPS FOR THE YEAR 2017.

Mr. Vitovich made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Mock and passed by the following vote:

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Yeas: Mrs. Stanton, Mr. Vitovich, Mr. Vizza, Mr. Williams,
Mayor Janakovic, Mr. Johncola, Mrs. Mock (7).
Nays: None (0).

Resolution No. 9908

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA, WHEREAS THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN HAVE AGREED TO USE THE DOT GRANTS ONLINE REPORTING SYSTEM TO FILE THE REQUIRED LIQUID FUELS FORMS ANNUALLY; INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE MS-965, MS-329 AND MS-999 FORMS.

Mr. Vitovich made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Mr. Johncola and passed by the following vote:

Yeas: Mayor Janakovic, Mr. Johncola, Mrs. Mock, Mrs. Stanton,
Mr. Vitovich, Mr. Vizza, Mr. Williams (7).
Nays: None (0).

Resolution No. 9909

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA, ADOPTING THE OFFICIAL CAMBRIA COUNTY HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN FOR THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN.

Mrs. Mock made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Mr. Johncola.

Mrs. Stanton inquired regarding the public involvement. It was noted that workshops were held to draft a final document.

The motion passed by the following vote:

Yeas: Mr. Johncola, Mrs. Mock, Mrs. Stanton, Mr. Vitovich, Mr. Vizza,
Mr. Williams, Mayor Janakovic (7).
Nays: None (0).

Resolution No. 9910

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA, AUTHORIZING THE INTERIM CITY MANAGER TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH WITMER PUBLIC SAFETY GROUP, INCORPORATED, THE FIRE STORE, 430 ABBOTTSTOWN, PA, 17301 TO PROVIDE AND DELIVER TO THE CITY SELF-CONTAINED BREATHING APPARATUSES.

Mr. Vitovich made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Mock.

It was noted the City would be responsible for 10 percent of the cost.

The motion passed by the following vote:

Yeas: Mrs. Mock, Mrs. Stanton, Mr. Vitovich, Mr. Vizza, Mr. Williams,
Mayor Janakovic, Mr. Johncola (7).
Nays: None (0).

Resolution No. 9911

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA, AUTHORIZING THE INTERIM CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE SALE OF THE 2004 PIERCE FIRE ENGINE TO PINE VILLAGE FIRE DEPARTMENT, PINE VILLAGE, INDIANA, FOR THE AMOUNT OF \$80,000 (PENDING FINAL INSPECTION).

Mr. Vitovich made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Mr. Williams and passed by the following vote:

Yeas: Mrs. Stanton, Mr. Vitovich, Mr. Vizza, Mr. Williams,
Mayor Janakovic, Mr. Johncola, Mrs. Mock (7).
Nays: None (0).

Resolution No. 9912

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA, AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE INTERIM CITY MANAGER TO SELL THE 2005 CASE BACKHOE.

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Mr. Williams made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Mr. Vitovich and passed by the following vote:

Yeas: Mr. Vitovich, Mr. Vizza, Mr. Williams, Mayor Janakovic,
Mr. Johncola, Mrs. Mock, Mrs. Stanton (7).
Nays: None (0).

Resolution No. 9913

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN,
PENNSYLVANIA, AUTHORIZING THE INTERIM CITY MANAGER TO
ENTER INTO A PIGGYBACK AGREEMENT FOR PAVING WITH
PEOPLES NATURAL GAS COMPANY.

Mr. Williams made a motion to approve. The motion was second by Mrs. Mock and passed by the following vote:

Yeas: Mr. Vizza, Mr. Williams, Mayor Janakovic, Mr. Johncola, Mrs. Mock,
Mrs. Stanton, Mr. Vitovich (7)
Nays: None (0).

MOTIONS:

Mr. Williams made a motion directing the Solicitor to send a letter with the required documentation to DEP. The motion was seconded by Mr. Johncola and passed by the following vote:

Yeas: Mr. Williams, Mayor Janakovic, Mr. Johncola, Mrs. Mock,
Mrs. Stanton, Mr. Vitovich, Mr. Vizza (7)
Nays: None (0).

There were further discussion regarding the matter. Mayor Janakovic requested that the response be received by the February Council meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

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OLD BUSINESS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON NONAGENDA ITEMS

John DeBartola, 1197 Bedford Street, Johnstown, addressed Council with regard to Civil Rights and the gay community. He stated that hate and injustice will no longer be tolerated. Mr. DeBartola noted he is not asking for "special rights" but "wants to be accepted like any other American". He stated that as an American "we can work together". He asked that everyone "join with him to end hate in our community". Mr. DeBartola requested that Council pass the Hate Crimes Bill and Nondiscrimination Bill. He referred to bills he had previously distributed to Council members and urged them review the bills and introduce them as resolutions.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for December 28, 2016.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:26 p.m.