

JOHNSTOWN CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, November 27, 2018

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.

Reverend Sylvia King offered the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The following members of Council were present for roll call:

Mr. Britt, Mayor Janakovic, Reverend King, Mrs. Mock, Mr. Vitovich (5).

Absent: Charlene Stanton, Jack Williams (2).

George Hayfield, City Manager; Elizabeth Benjamin, Esquire, City Solicitor; Robert Ritter, Finance Director, were also present.

PUBLIC COMMENT - AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

None.

PETITIONS

None.

ORDINANCES FOR FINAL READ

BILL NO. 32 OF 2018, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 5245, PASSED FINALLY ON DECEMBER 13, 2017, AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 5250, PASSED FINALLY ON MARCH 15, 2018; NO. 5253, PASSED FINALLY ON MAY 9, 2018; AND NO. 5257, PASSED FINALLY ON JULY 11, 2018 IN ORDER TO PROVIDE FOR THE PROPER ALLOCATION OF REVENUE AND EXPENSES IN THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN'S GENERAL FUND (01), COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND (04), UDAG FUNDS (8), PARKING FUND (02), SEWER UPGRADE/MAINTENANCE REPAIR FUND (24), CAPITAL FUND (18), RECREATIONAL FUND (22), STATE GRANT FUND (13) AS AMENDED.

Mr. Vitovich made a motion to approve the ordinance. The motion was seconded by Mr. Britt.

Ms. Benjamin explained a letter to Council outlining necessary amendments to Bill No. 32, after which the bill would be tabled in order to be advertised and adopted following advertisement and public hearing in December. She referred to changes in the 2018 budget also to be advertised and reviewed at a

public hearing. Ms. Benjamin noted figures that the Finance Director found originally attached to this bill that need to also be changed. She stated another ordinance would need to be incorporated for repeal because of the changes in order to be adopted.

Ms. Benjamin read the motion for Bill No. 32 into the record as follows:

A motion to amend Bill No. 32 to reflect and include a repeal ordinance 5262 adopted November 14, 2018, to remove the exhibit referencing changes for sewer reimbursement account for now and to amend Exhibit H Account Number 18.489.28.196.00 to show a change of negative \$51,000 instead a positive \$51,500 that was shown in the change column.

Mr. Vitovich made a motion to approve Bill No. 32 as amended. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Mock.

There was further discussion regarding the matter.

The motion passed by the following vote:

Yeas: Mr. Britt, Mayor Janakovic, Reverend King, Mrs. Mock,
Mr. Vitovich (5).
Nays: None (0).

Mr. Vitovich made a motion to table or otherwise amend the ordinance and then advertise. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Mock and passed by the following vote:

Yeas: Mayor Janakovic, Reverend King, Mrs. Mock, Mr. Vitovich,
Mr. Britt (5).
Nays: None (0).

BILL NO. 35 OF 2018, 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 1ST, 2019.

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

Ms. Benjamin explained the amendments proposed for the 2019 budget and distributed as Exhibit T. She stated Council would need to make the amendment in order to advertise appropriately for a public hearing. The bill could then be adopted at the December meeting.

There was further discussion regarding the matter. Mrs. Mock would like to review the whole budget as previously done in the past and was concerned that there have been no budget meetings. Advertisement concerns were also discussed.

Ms. Benjamin explained that, in order to adopt the bill finally on December 12, 2018, an advertisement would have to be made no later than Friday, November 30, 2018, or the following Monday, December 3, 2018. There was further discussion regarding the scheduling of budget workshop meetings. It was noted that a workshop would be held Thursday, November 28, 2018.

Ms. Benjamin explained that one of the proposed amendments for the 2019 budget would be adding a new line account and Exhibit T would add detail to the expenses in the General Fund from the sewer fund, as well as make corresponding changes to the previous details in the General Fund. Mr. Ritter noted that approximately 70 lines items would need adjusted. He offered clarification of some budget items. He will contact Wessel and Company for justification and further clarification of standard operating procedures. There was further discussion on the matter.

Ms. Benjamin explained the bill was a final bill that would need to be amended. She stated, if Council chooses, the bill can then tabled and the amendments made at the December 12, 2018 meeting. The bill could then be posted, advertised and then finally adopted at the end of December. Council agreed to make the amendments.

Mrs. Mock made a motion to amend Bill No. 35 to attach and incorporate the amendments as shown in Exhibit T for purposes of sewer reimbursement detail as distributed to Council, as well as add new account numbers and changes to account numbers as shown on the attached spreadsheet and to incorporate those changes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Vitovich and passed by the following vote:

Yeas: Reverend King, Mrs. Mock, Mr. Vitovich, Mr. Britt,
Mayor Janakovic (5).
Nays: None (0).

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

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Yeas: Mrs. Mock, Mr. Vitovich, Mr. Britt, Mayor Janakovic,
Reverend King (5).
Nays: None (0).

BILL NO 36 OF 2018, 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, 2019.

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

Yeas: Mr. Vitovich, Mr. Britt, Mayor Janakovic, Reverend King,
Mrs. Mock,(5).
Nays: None (0).

ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READ

None.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 10135

A RESOLUTION OF CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA, APPROVING MEMBER APPOINTMENTS TO THE LOAN REVIEW COMMITTEE AS RECOMMENDED BY THE CITY MANAGER OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN FOR THREE (3) YEAR APPOINTMENTS.

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

City Manager Hayfield suggested Terry Hubbard for a two-year term, Sharon Honkus for a three-year term, and Linda Morris and Karen Brandon for one-year terms.

Mr. Vitovich made a motion to amend the resolution to reflect Terry Hubbard be appointed for a two-year term, Sharon Honkus for a three-year term, Linda Morris and Karen Brandon for one-year terms; and to further revise the Now Therefore clause to reflect the above-referenced terms instead of the three-year terms amended on November 27. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Mock and passed by the following vote:

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Yeas: Mr. Vitovich, Mr. Britt, Mayor Janakovic, Reverend King,
Mrs. Mock (5).
Nays: None (0).

There was further discussion regarding the resolution. The City Manager was requested to send letters to the the appointees suggesting that an organizational meeting be scheduled.

Reverend King made a motion to approve as amended. The motion was seconded by Mr. Britt and passed by the following vote:

Yeas: Mr. Britt, Mayor Janakovic, Reverend King, Mrs. Mock,
Mr. Vitovich (5).
Nays: None (0).

MOTIONS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Janakovic discussed his attendance at a meeting at Senator Langerholc's office with regard to plans mostly funded by PennDOT for bike lanes through the City connecting Upper Yoder, Ferndale, down through Franklin Street and Valley Pike. He distributed plan information to all Council members for consideration. He noted a meeting to be held on December 11, 2018, in Upper Yoder and another meeting on December 12, 2018.

Ms. Benjamin explained a decision to attend that informative meeting could not be made tonight but stated that the meeting should be advertised if four or more Council members would like to attend. Mayor Janakovic requested the attendance of at least three Council members.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT - NONAGENDA ITEMS

None.

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NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:

Tuesday, December 11, 2018, at 5:00 p.m. (Non-Voting Workshop).
Wednesday, December 12, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. (Regular Meeting).

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:54 p.m.