

JOHNSTOWN CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26, 2020

City Council met virtually in a stated session for the general transaction of business.
Mayor Janakovic called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

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

The following members of Council were present for roll call:

Charles Arnone, Ricky Britt, Michael Capriotti, Mayor Frank Janakovic,
Reverend Sylvia King, Marie Mock, David Vitovich (7).

John Trant, Interim City Manager; Elizabeth Benjamin, Esquire, City Solicitor, were
also present.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Sam Genovese, 204 Bellview Street, Johnstown, asked to address concerns and offer
his opinion regarding the sewage sale. Ms. Benjamin explained, since this
was a special meeting of Council, agenda items were limited to that which
was advertised. As it was a public comment period and the parameters were
such, discussion should be related to the pending matters currently before
Council, which related to the retention of legal counsel for purposes of
allowing the City to realize the proceeds of the sale.

Mayor Janakovic asked Mr. Genovese to defer his comments until the next
Council meeting on September 9, 2020. Mr. Genovese stated there had been
no opportunity to meet with Council for discussion. Considerable erroneous
information was given regarding the sewer testing. Mayor Janakovic
reiterated that Mr. Genovese would be given time to speak on September 9,
2020 meeting to address all his concerns.

Mr. Genovese stated, for the record, that with all due respect he felt that he
was being denied the opportunity to express his constructive position as far as
it related to the sewer system. He asked Council to advertise in the newspaper
that a public meeting would be held to discuss the sewer system where all
residents could attend. Mayor Janakovic noted the entire public had the
opportunity to speak at Greater Johnstown High School last month. Mr.
Genovest asked Council to consider one more public meeting regarding the
matter.

RESOLUTION

Resolution No. 10319

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, CAMBRIA COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE APPOINTMENT OF BUCHANAN, INGERSOLL AND ROONEY P.C. AS BOND NOTE COUNSEL AND BOENNING AND SCATTERGOOD, INCORPORATED AS PLACEMENT AGENT TO ASSIST THE CITY IN ISSUING INDEBTEDNESS TO BE USED TO FUND THE COST OF A PORTION OF THE CITY'S UNFUNDED ACTUARIAL PENSION LIABILITY AND AUTHORIZING THE INTERIM CITY MANAGER AND/OR HIS DESIGNEE TO TAKE ANY AND ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THE SAME.

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

Yeas: Mr. Britt, Mayor Janakovic, Reverend King, Mrs. Mock,
Mr. Arnone (5).
Nays: None (0).
Abstentions: Mr. Capriotti, Mr. Vitovich (2). Both abstained as being
former employees and collecting pensions from the City.

Mr. Genovese commented the pension matter is the reason he wanted to speak.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m.