



**CITY OF JOHNSTOWN  
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA  
ANTHONY C. TRUSCELLO  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9, 2022**

**City Council**

Frank Janakovic, Mayor  
Michael Capriotti, Deputy Mayor  
Charles Arnone  
Ricky Britt  
Laura Huchel  
Rev. Sylvia King  
Marie Mock

REGULAR MEETING - 6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER:

INVOCATION:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ROLL CALL:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. Regular meeting minutes of February 9, 2022
2. Special meeting minutes of February 16, 2022

PROCLAMATIONS, AWARDS, HONORS, RESOLUTIONS OF RECOGNITION:

1. Proclamation - Bleeding Disorders Awareness Month

PUBLIC COMMENT - AGENDA ITEMS ONLY (Limit 5 minutes)

REPORTS:

1. CITY MANAGER
2. MAYOR
3. CITY SOLICITOR
4. CITY ENGINEER
5. COUNCIL UPDATES/ NEIGHBORHOOD LIAISONS
  - a) Planning Commission meeting minutes of February 2, 2022

PETITIONS:

ORDINANCES FOR FINAL READ:

1. **Wage Amendments** - There are two adjustments necessary in 2022. First, the wage of the Residential Development Officer, first hired in November 2020, was miscalculated in 2021 and therefore again in 2022. This is a small adjustment retroactive to January 2021. Second, the salary of the City Manager is increased to \$135,000.

BILL NO. 4 OF 2022 - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 5322 ADOPTED DECEMBER 8, 2021 AMENDING THE SALARIES AND WAGES TO BE PAID TO CERTAIN EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2022.

Recommended Action - Make a motion to grant final approval to Bill No. 4 of 2022 amending the Wage & Salary Ordinance.

2. **Zoning Ordinance Amendment** - This Ordinance, which prohibits parking of vehicles in residential yards, was first introduced in July 2021. Its passage was tabled several times over questions concerning the type of parking surface that would be required. Due to the extent of the amendments since first introduced, the Ordinance was resubmitted to the city and county planning commissions for comment. Those comments have been received. A public hearing was scheduled prior to tonight's meeting.

BILL NO. 5 OF 2022 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, BY PROHIBITING PARKING IN CERTAIN RESIDENTIAL YARDS AND EXCLUDING CERTAIN TYPES OF BARRIERS FROM THE DEFINITION OF FENCE.

Recommended Action - Make a motion to grant final approval to Bill No. 5 of 2022 amending the City of Johnstown Zoning Ordinance.

3. **Annual Codification of Ordinances Update** - American Legal has completed the annual update of the City's Codification of Ordinances. All Ordinances adopted through December 2021 have been added to the Code. An Ordinance is required to verify that the Code has been properly updated.

BILL NO. 6 OF 2022 - AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE EDITING AND INCLUSION OF CERTAIN ORDINANCES AS PARTS OF THE VARIOUS COMPONENT CODES OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES.

Recommended Action - Make a motion to grant final approval to Bill No. 6 of 2022 approving the annual update to the Codification of Ordinances.

#### ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READ:

1. **Juneteenth Holiday** - The federal government established Juneteenth (June 19) as a federal holiday in 2021 to commemorate the emancipation of African American slaves. The purpose of this bill is to establish Juneteenth as a recognized City holiday.

BILL NO. 7 OF 2022 - AN ORDINANCE UPDATING THE PERSONNEL ORDINANCE AND POLICY TO RECOGNIZE JUNETEENTH AS A CITY HOLIDAY TO COMMEMORATE EMANCIPATION

Recommended Action - Grant tentative approval to Bill No. 7 of 2022 establishing Juneteenth as a City holiday.

2. **Wage Amendment** - There is a wage amendment necessary for the seasonal labor employed by the Department of Public Works. To provide consistency with wages budgeted for laborers hired by the Code Enforcement Department, the rate paid to seasonal laborers in the Department of Public Works is proposed to be increased from \$8.49 per hour to \$11.00 per hour.

BILL NO. 8 OF 2022 - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 5322 ADOPTED DECEMBER 8, 2021, AMENDED ON MARCH 9, 2022, AND AMENDING THE SALARIES AND WAGES TO BE PAID TO CERTAIN EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2022.

Recommended Action - Grant tentative approval to Bill No. 8 of 2022 amending the Wage & Salary Ordinance.

RESOLUTIONS:

**Amending the Fee Schedule for Monthly Parking Rates in City Owned Parking Garages** - The fee schedule for monthly parking rates established under the Traffic Code needs to be updated to include a discount rate for customers who lease a high volume of parking spaces (100 or more). The current monthly rate inside City owned parking garages is \$60.00. The discount rate will be \$30.00. This change is intended to maintain, encourage and increase usage of the City parking garages. The City had a previous rate in prior years which has since expired. This will enable the City to enter into an agreement with the Cambria County Commissioners for the County for up to 200 spaces.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA AMENDING THE RATES FOR MONTHLY PARKING IN CITY OWNED PARKING GARAGES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN TRAFFIC CODE

Recommended Action - Make a motion to adopt the proposed Resolution amending monthly parking rates in City owned parking garages.

**Main Street East Parking Garage Agreement with Cambria County** - Cambria County leases 193 parking spaces per year in the Main Street East parking garage. The previous agreement for the use of these spaces is expired, and a new agreement has been prepared for Council's consideration. Under the proposed agreement, the monthly rate of \$30.00 per space will be charged for 2022. This agreement covers calendar year 2022 only. The rate will be renegotiated with the County Commissioners for 2023 and future years.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA ENTERING AN AGREEMENT WITH THE CAMBRIA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO LEASE PARKING SPACES AT THE MAIN STREET EAST PARKING GARAGE AT A MONTHLY RATE OF \$30.00 PER SPACE AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO TAKE ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE SAME

Recommended Action - Make a motion to adopt the proposed Resolution approving an agreement with the Cambria County Commissioners to lease parking spaces at the Main Street East parking garage at a monthly rate of \$30.00 per parking space.

**American Rescue Plan Act Investment Plan** -The City of Johnstown will receive approximately \$30.7 million as a result of the passage of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). Staff assembled an updated investment plan for the use of the ARPA funds. Based upon input from the February work session, neighborhood oriented line items were increased to \$2 million, and the sewer lateral line item was increased from \$500,000 to \$1 million. To accommodate these increases, the lost revenue and contingency line items were reduced. Staff stands ready to roll out the programs to the public upon Council's approval of the proposed investment plan.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA ADOPTING AN INVESTMENT PLAN DETAILING THE USE OF FUNDING PROVIDED UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT TO SUPPORT THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN'S RECOVERY FROM THE COVID 19 PANDEMIC

Recommended Action - Make a motion to adopt the proposed Resolution approving the proposed investment plan for the City of Johnstown's American Rescue Plan Act funding.

**Vehicle Purchases** - Council is asked to approve two vehicle purchases. The first is a 2023 International truck with an aluminum dump body with snow removal equipment for the Department of Public Works at a price of \$152,833.00. The second vehicle is a 2021 Ford Ranger for the Code Enforcement Department at a price of \$32,670. Both vehicles are proposed to be purchased through the COSTARS program and will be placed on a lease to own agreement with First Capital Equipment Leasing Corporation for a five year term; interest rate 3.594%.

A RESOLUTION OF CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER AND FINANCE DIRECTOR TO SIGN ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO PURCHASE A 2023 INTERNATIONAL TRUCK WITH AN ALUMINUM DUMP BODY WITH SNOW EQUIPMENT; AND TO PURCHASE A 2021 FORD RANGER 4X4 SUPER CAB FOR THE CODE ENFORCEMENT DEPARTMENT.

Recommended Action - Make a motion to adopt the proposed Resolution to purchase two vehicles for the Department of Public Works and Code Enforcement Department.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Summer/Fall Cleanup

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Pasquerilla Conference Center - City staff issued an RFP for management services on February 21<sup>st</sup>. A tour of the property for prospective bidders is scheduled for March 3<sup>rd</sup>. The deadline for proposals is March 24<sup>th</sup>.

Recommended Action: None at this time.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

1. Public Works
2. Police Department
3. Fire Department
4. Community Development
5. Codes Enforcement

PUBLIC COMMENT - NON-AGENDA ITEMS (LIMIT 3 MINUTES):

RECESS/ADJOURNMENT:

NEXT SCHEDULED COUNCIL MEETING - April 13, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

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