

JOHNSTOWN CITY COUNCIL
PUBLIC MEETING
Thursday, October 28, 2021

Mayor Frank Janakovic opened the public meeting at 6:00 p.m.

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

The following members of Council were present for roll call in chambers: Mr. Arnone, Mayor Janakovic, Reverend King, Mrs. Mock, Mr. Britt, Mr. Vitovich
Absent: Capriotti

Daniel Penatzer, Interim City Manager and Alex Ashcom, Assistant City Manager were also present. There were eight members of the public in attendance.

Proposed American Rescue Plan (ARPA) Funding

The purpose of the public meeting is to hear public comment concerning proposed uses of the ARPA funding. Mr. Ashcom gave a presentation on what ARPA is, the amount of funding available, and described the project categories and funding levels in the administrative staff's preliminary proposal.

Della Csehoski of 190 Worth Street represented the Cambria/Somerset Realtors. She stressed the need to provide the information relative to home purchases to the realtors group through her. She also spoke in favor of the proposed improvements to broadband and Main Street.

John Debartola of 1197 Bedford Street stated that he thought \$10 million for Main Street was too high. He expressed concern about which non-profits would qualify for funding, what the non-profits could do with the money, and who would be reviewing the applications on behalf of the city.

Chad McLaren of 235 Lincoln Street stated his support for the Main Street project.

Dave Hurst of 1901 Church Street asked if an applicant could seek funds under more than one category.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the public meeting was concluded at 6:50 p.m.