

JOHNSTOWN CITY COUNCIL
PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES
Wednesday, December 8, 2021

City Council met in a stated session for the general transaction of business. Mayor Frank Janakovic called the Public Hearing to order at 5:30 p.m.

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

The following members of Council were present:

Mr. Arnone, Mr. Britt, Mr. Capriotti (via telephone), Mayor Janakovic, Reverend King, Mrs. Mock, Mr. Vitovich (7).

Daniel Penatzer, Interim City Manager; and Elizabeth Benjamin, Esquire, City Solicitor were also present.

STATEMENT BY SOLICITOR BENJAMIN

Ms. Benjamin explained the public hearing was convened for purposes of accepting public comment on Bill No. 13 of 2021, which sets forth the City of Johnstown's Proposed Budget for Calendar Year 2022.

BILL NO. 13 OF 2021 IS 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 OF VARIOUS FUNDS, BUREAUS, DEPARTMENTS, THE PAYMENT OF DEBT SERVICE AND PENSION FUND OBLIGATIONS OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA, FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2022 INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING CITY OF JOHNSTOWN FUND SECTIONS WHICH ARE RESPECTIVELY IDENTIFIED AS "BUDGET EXHIBIT DETAILS":

- A. GENERAL FUND.
- B. LIQUID FUELS FUND
- C. CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND
- D. CDBG FUND
- E. STATE HOME FUND
- F. UDAG FUND
- G. STATE GRANT FUND
- H. AMERICAN RECOVERY ACT FUND

Ms. Benjamin explained further that the 2022 Budget in the form of Bill No. 13 of 2021 was first reviewed with City Council at a public meeting on October 27, 2021, and subsequently presented and approved upon first reading at a meeting held on November 1, 2021. Following that point, Bill No. 13 of 2021

was amended on November 10 to include a shift of \$3.2 million from Main Street to contingency funds relative to the ARPA budget. Bill No. 13 then was approved with that amendment and as amended it was then advertised and made available for public inspection. This public hearing was likewise duly advertised in the Tribune Democrat as a budget ordinance, availability for public inspection and ultimately the ordinance in the form of Bill No. 13 of 2021 appears on the agenda for the City's regular Council meeting this evening convening at 6:00 p.m. for purpose of final adoption.

This hearing was noted as being convened for purposes of the acceptance of public comment on Bill No. 13 of 2021. During the course of the regular meeting to be held at 6:00 p.m. this evening, the City will likewise consider the next one with Bill No. 13, Bill No. 14 of 2021, which comprises the Wage and Salary Ordinance for City employees in 2022.

With that said, the floor was opened for public comment on Bill No. 13 of 2021 setting forth the 2022 City of Johnstown Budget.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Public Hearing concluded at 5:35 p.m.