

JOHNSTOWN CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, April 12, 2023

City Council met in a stated session for the general transaction of business.
Deputy Mayor Capriotti called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

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

The following members of Council were present for roll call:

Mr. Arnone, Mr. Britt, Deputy Mayor Capriotti, Ms. Huchel, Reverend King (5)
Absent: Mayor Janakovic, Mrs. Mock (2).

Ethan Imhoff, City Manager; Alex Ashcom, Assistant City Manager; Robert Ritter, Finance Director; John Dubnansky, Economic Development Director; Dave Williams, Codes Enforcement Manager; Elizabeth Benjamin, Esquire, City Solicitor; Robert Statler, Fire Chief; Richard Pritchard, Police Chief; Jared Campagna, Public Works Director, were also in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Arnone made a motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of March 8, 2023. The motion was seconded by Mr. Britt and passed by the following vote:

Yeas: Mr. Arnone, Mr. Britt, Mr. Capriotti, Ms. Huchel, Reverend King(5)
Nays: None (0).

Mr. Britt made a motion to approve the Special Meeting Minutes of March 28, 2023. The motion was seconded by Mr. Arnone and passed by the following vote:

Yeas: Mr. Capriotti, Reverend King, Ms. Huchel, Mr. Arnone, Mr. Britt (5)
Nays: None (0).

PROCLAMATIONS, AWARDS, HONORS, RESOLUTIONS OF RECOGNITION

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT-AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

None.

REPORTS

CITY MANAGER:

Ethan Imhoff, City Manager, reported that on April 28, 2023, starting at 10:00 the celebration will commence with DCED recognizing that the City would be exiting Act 47. A list of attendees will be made available. The location is yet to be determined but most likely would be either the Conference Center or Central Park.

He noted that DCED Secretary Siger will be coming to Johnstown on Friday, April 21, 2023 to meet with city staff, Council, JRA staff to discuss priorities for the City post Act 47. An agenda will be available soon. The meeting will most likely be at City Hall and downtown during a walking tour.

DEPUTY MAYOR:

Deputy Mayor Michael Capriotti reported that City residents have "taken it upon themselves" to clean up areas of the City including vacant properties. He thanked City staff, Dave Williams, Codes Enforcement Manager, and Jared Campagna, Public Works Director, for assisting with the removal of all the trash and debris.

He noted that on April 22 a large group of residents in the Moxham section will be cleaning up that area starting at 7:00 a.m.

Mr. Capriotti noted his participation in the Discover Downtown Johnstown's Bunny Hop, which was attended by approximately 400 children.

CITY SOLICITOR:

Elizabeth Benjamin, Esquire, noted she would address any items for action at the appropriate time in the agenda.

CITY ENGINEER:

A report is included in Council member packets.

COUNCIL UPDATES/NEIGHBORHOOD LIAISONS:

Ms. Huchel commended the Moxham volunteer group for their cleaning efforts in that area. She stated there are a few other areas that will need to be cleaned up and noted the Mayer Trail is one of those locations.

She noted her attendance at an authority board member seminar in the Pittsburgh area in her capacity as a member of the JRA.

Ms. Huchel commended Cambria Veterinary Care for sponsoring the Pucks and Paws event again this year.

JAHA welcomed AAUW to hold its regular luncheon for scholarship awardees.

April 18, 2023 a downtown architecture tour will be held downtown hosted by Gallery on Gazebo.

Ms. Huchel indicated that on April 22, 2023 Band of Brothers will perform Macbeth at the former St. Columba Roman Catholic Church on Broad Street.

Friday, April 21, 2023 is the date of the Blight Summit at Westmoreland County. It was noted that City staff would attend that event.

Reverend King noted her attendance at the recent Showcase for Women at Bottle Works.

She has participated with the Cambria County Planning Commission in planning regarding the William Penn Corridor.

Reverend King attended the community meeting in Morrellville attended by all community groups in the City of Johnstown, which was attended by all neighborhoods except one.

Reverend King noted that she and Mrs. Mock provided lunch for the Women's Help Center who worked with Hosanna.

She stated her church hosted an Easter egg event was held for the children.

This Friday, April 14, 2023 is the Kernville Community Meeting. A cleanup day will soon be scheduled and will be assisted by the members of the GJWA.

Cleanup Day in the Prospect community will be held on a weeknight sometime this month.

Greater Johnstown High School's Empty Bowl Event will be held on Friday, April 21, 2023 at the Bottle Works.

A job fair will be held at the 1st Summit Arena on May 2, 2023.

May 18, 2023 is the YWCA's Tribute to Women event.

Mr. Arnone reported that as Council's representative on the GJWA, 24 lead service lines have been replaced in March for a total of 70. Letters were sent out to Central District customers to schedule a time for an endpoint to be installed in water meters.

The Riverside Treatment Plant received a satisfactory rating from inspectors and exceeded all regulatory requirements. Several improvements were identified, which will help optimize the filtration system.

During the month of March nearly 18,000 feet of mainline was inspected, and 2,500 feet was jetted. Snyder's is 98 percent complete with construction of the whole project. As of the end of March the City had 63 percent pressure testing completed. Notices would be sent that sewer work must be completed or a contract must be submitted.

Mr. Arnone provided an update on statistical information related to the population of public housing communities located within the City of Johnstown. He reported that as March 31, 2023, the population of the public housing communities was 2,347 and Section Eight voucher holders total 1,095, which amounts to a total of 3,442 families. Currently 46 percent of the people living in poverty in the City of Johnstown are being assisted.

Prospect population statistics have changed. After receiving a structural inspection reporting dangers in the ceilings at the Prospect Homes, JHA made the difficult decision to relocate 101 families living in that area. A vast majority of the families have been relocated, and the few remaining are temporarily staying at hotels. Mr. Arnone noted that JHA will remain in contact with all families on the future of Prospect. Geotechnical survey is being conducted on the grounds after, which it would be determined what steps should be taken for structural repair. He noted that as of today, April 12, 2023, all families but one has been relocated. Security had been increased in that area. It was determined that the ground upon, which the homes were built was once landfill and the ground is not stable.

Reverend King asked that JHA communicate with the residents of the Prospect Homes as much as possible to ensure that the area is safe. Mr. Arnone assured Reverend King that something will be done and will be addressed one way or the other. Mr. Arnone stated all were welcome at JHA board meetings to express concerns. Reverend King may invite Director Mike Alberts to the next Prospect meeting during which time those concerns can be addressed.

Mr. Britt discussed a few concerns he had received from some residents.

ORDINANCES FOR FINAL READ AND ADOPTION

BILL NO. 23 OF 2022, (TABLED) AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AND SETTING FORTH REQUIREMENTS FOR MECHANICAL AMUSEMENT DEVICE AND LICENSING TAX TO BE CODIFIED WITHIN CHAPTER EIGHT (BUSINESS REGULATION AND TAXATION CODE) TITLE FOUR (TAXATION) OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN CODIFIED ORDINANCES AS A NEW CHAPTER 804 ENTITLED "MECHANICAL AMUSEMENT DEVICES."

Ms. Huchel made a motion to remove from table. The motion was seconded by Mr. Arnone and passed by the following vote:

Yeas: Mr. Arnone, Mr. Britt, Reverend King, Ms. Huchel, Mr. Capriotti (5)
Nays: None (0).

The City Manager noted that Council had some questions regarding enforcement of this ordinance. He stated a version of this ordinance was in effect prior to COVID, and during that time, enforcement was paused and had not resumed.

He stated the first step it to send letters out to business owners along with an inventory form. Staff would then make a list to identify places in each neighborhood with the devices. A temp person would be hired to deliver stickers to those who paid and would also verify the number of machines in that establishment.

Mr. Ritter commented that the starting point would be a list of approximately 40 establishments that pre-COVID were paying.

Mr. Britt commented that it was going to be hard, and it was going to "come back and bite us in the end."

Mr. Imhoff commented that finding a majority of the machines and a majority of business owners paying would put the city in a better place.

Mr. Arnone commented to use people that have licensed businesses per section of town as a template. If you have a person that goes in, identifies himself and inspects for this reason will yield a better result than sending out letters and expecting people to follow through with it.

Reverend King commented that "we have to start somewhere", that if a business has one of the machines, it has to pay whether or not it generates income.

Ms. Huchel agreed with Mr. Arnone's comments and suggestion and stated she is "ready to move forward."

Mr. Capriotti commented the enforcement process does not address the consequences if a business or organization does not comply, which he noted is a "big piece of the puzzle that has to be there." He also commented that if it was a tax and if anyone is delinquent on their taxes, the PLCB can remove their 'license. It being a fee or a tax should be addressed also. Mr. Capriotti offered a suggestion for the stickering process. He was concerned that one temp worker would have the ability to visit every business in a timely fashion.

Mr. Imhoff added that with regard to enforcement, after a certain amount of time and "once we see where this is going", then it can be determined what enforcement steps are necessary.

Mr. Capriotti inquired if it would be advisable to pass an ordinance that doesn't have the details in the enforcement component. Ms. Benjamin explained there is some general language that can be referenced but it would need to have the term "tax" in order to have it be enforceable. She suggested that the "ultimate adoption" should be at the next meeting so the matter can be advertised for purposes of a public hearing and encouraged Council to get further direction as to whether a public workshop should be held to present necessary amendments if there are any. There was further discussion regarding whether anything is contained in the taxation code that would address this matter.

Ms. Benjamin explained this ordinance has already been voted on First Read and is presented today for Final Read.

Ms. Huchel made a motion to approve for Final Read. The motion was seconded by Reverend King.

Ms. Benjamin further explained that the ordinance cannot be approved until a public hearing is held and suggested review of the ordinance so that it is clear for everyone.

Deputy Mayor Capriotti suggested members express further concerns with the City Manager, that after a period of time a hearing be scheduled for further discussion regarding the matter before the next Council meeting.

Ms. Benjamin clarified that it may just be a matter of answering questions, and if there were not any amendments, the City could advertise the ordinance, which can then be placed for final adoption at the next meeting.

Reverend King made a motion to table. The motion was seconded by Ms. Huchel and passed by the following vote:

Yeas: Mr. Arnone, Mr. Britt, Mr. Capriotti, Reverend King, Ms. Huchel (5)
Nays: None (0).

BILL NO. 2 OF 2023, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 5008 ADOPTED DECEMBER 12, 2007 AS AMENDED BY ORDINANCE NO. 5871 ADOPTED NOVEMBER 12, 2015 AND CODIFIED WITHIN THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN AT TITLE FOUR, TAXATION, CHAPTER 882, ENTITLED "LOCAL SERVICES TAX" TO AMEND THE ANNUAL RATE FOR THE LOCAL SERVICES TAX AND ADJUST THE EXEMPTIONS THERETO IN ACCORDANCE WITH SAME BY LOWERING THE CURRENT TAX RATE TO FORTY-SEVEN DOLLARS (\$47) EFFECTIVE APRIL 29, 2023.

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

Yeas: Mr. Britt, Mr. Capriotti, Reverend King, Ms. Huchel, Mr. Arnone (5)
Nays: None (0).

ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READ

BILL NO. 1 OF 2023, (TABLED), AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, ORDINANCE NO. 4964 ADOPTED APRIL 13, 2005, AND AS AMENDED BY ORDINANCE NO. 5086, PASSED JUNE 22, 2011; ORDINANCE NO. 5119 PASSED JANUARY 23, 2013; ORDINANCE NO. 5139 PASSED NOVEMBER 27, 2013; ORDINANCE NO. 5191 PASSED DECEMBER 9, 2015; AND ORDINANCE NO. 5330 PASSED MARCH 9, 2022, BY REZONING CERTAIN PARCELS OF LAND LOCATED IN THE 8TH WARD OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN.

Mr. Imhoff noted the ordinance would remain tabled, and a public hearing regarding the matter will be held April 27, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. here in Council Chambers.

BILL NO. 3 OF 2023, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, CAMBRIA COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING ORDINANCES 26 (PASSED 3-28-1914); 3703 (PASSED 10-27-66); 4276 (PASSED 5-26-82); 4318 (PASSED 11-22-83); 4389 (PASSED 9-10-86); 4390 (PASSED 9-10-86); 4419 (PASSED 12-31-86); 4528 (PASSED 2-28-90); 4544 (PASSED 9-26-90); 4670 (PASSED 7-13-94); 4698 (PASSED 12-21-94); 4701 (PASSED 12-21-94); 4704 (PASSED 12-21-94); 4705 (PASSED 12-21-94); 4706 (PASSED 12-21-94); 4723 (PASSED 4-26-95); 4724 (PASSED 4-26-95); 4770 (PASSED 3-12-97); 4795 (PASSED 2-11-98); 4805 (PASSED 8-19-98); 4810 (PASSED 9-9-98); 4818 (PASSED 1-27-99); 4820 (PASSED 2-28-01); 4837 (PASSED 12-8-99); 4850 (PASSED 3-22-00); 4863 (PASSED 11-8-00); 4864 (PASSED 11-8-00); 4869 (PASSED 1-10-01); 4920 (PASSED 10-12-05); 4938 (PASSED 4-28-04); 4955 (PASSED 12-8-05); 4965 (PASSED 4-13-05); 4968 (PASSED 8-10-05); 4972 (PASSED 10-12-05); 4975 (PASSED 10-12-05); 4979 (PASSED 10-12-05); 4986 (PASSED 2-22-06); 5021 (PASSED 7-9-08); 5054 (PASSED 2-24-10); 5055 (PASSED 2-24-10); 5064 (PASSED 3-24-10); 5068 (PASSED 5-26-10); 5087 (PASSED 6-22-11); 5090 (PASSED 9-24-11); 5102 (PASSED 3-28-12); 5139 (PASSED 11-27-13); 5144 (PASSED 3-5-14); 5146 (PASSED 4-24-14); 5148 (PASSED 5-14-14); 5182 (PASSED 9-9-15); 5191 (PASSED 12-9-15); 5198 (PASSED 4-20-16); 5221 (PASSED 2-8-17); 5238 (PASSED 9-13-17); 5252 (PASSED 4-11-18); 5279 (PASSED 12-11-19); 5288 (PASSED 6-10-20); 5294 (PASSED 8-12-20); 5302 (PASSED 11-18-20); 5319 (PASSED 10-13-21); 5334 (PASSED 4-20-22); 5338 (PASSED 9-14-22), REPEALING VARIOUS OUTDATED CODES, ESTABLISHING NEW FEES FOR SERVICES, SETTING POLICY FOR CODE ENFORCEMENT AND ESTABLISHING A FEE SCHEDULE WITHIN THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN.

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

Reverend King and Mr. Arnone had discussion regarding the meaning of a street vacation, which Mr. Arnone explained is the transfer public street or alley to a private property owner.

The motion passed by the following vote:

Yeas: Reverend King, Ms. Huchel, Mr. Arnone, Mr. Britt, Mr. Capriotti (5)
Nays: None (0).

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 10562

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN,
CAMBRIA COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, APPROVING A MINOR
SUBDIVISION LOT MERGE CONSOLIDATING TWO PARCELS ON
COLEMAN AVENUE IN THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN.

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

Mr. Imhoff explained Goodwill is looking to expand its current operations, and in order to so, two lots at this location would need to be merged.

The motion passed by the following vote:

Yeas: Reverend King, Ms. Huchel, Mr. Arnone, Mr. Britt, Mr. Capriotti (5)

Nays: None (0).

Resolution No. 10563

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN,
CAMBRIA COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, APPROVING A MINOR
SUBDIVISION LOT MERGE CONSOLIDATING ELEVEN PARCELS
BETWEEN HAY AVENUE AND SUPPES AVENUE IN THE CITY OF
JOHNSTOWN.

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

There was further discussion. Ms. Huchel commented that one of the lots was the site of the former Hay Mansion.

The motion passed by the following vote:

Yeas: Ms. Huchel, Mr. Arnone, Mr. Britt, Mr. Capriotti, Reverend King (5)

Nays: None (0).

Resolution No

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN,
CAMBRIA COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, APPROVING A MINOR
SUBDIVISION LOT MERGE CONSOLIDATING SEVEN PARCELS ON
HORNER STREET IN THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN.

Mr. Arnone made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Ms. Huchel.

Ms. Huchel was not sure if this lot merger had come before the Planning Commission.

Reverend King had concerns about the "bad press" Dollar General had been receiving nationwide as well as the condition of the parking lot. She suggested that Dollar General have a meeting with the City. There was further discussion. Mr. Ashcom indicated it was reviewed by the Planning Commission in June of 2022.

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

Yeas: Ms. Huchel, Mr. Arnone, Mr. Britt, Mr. Capriotti, Reverend King (5)
Nays: None (0).

Resolution No. 10564

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, CAMBRIA COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS REQUIRED AND TAKE ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO SIGN AN INTERIM AGREEMENT WITH BISHOP MCCORT TO SELL CONCESSIONS AT SARGENT'S STADIUM AT THE POINT AND ROXBURY PARK FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2023.

Reverend King made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Mr. Arnone.

Mr. Imhoff explained this contract had been previously bid out to the Mill Rats for 2021-2022, and to date, no bids had been received. He indicated that Bishop McCort is willing to service the concession stands at Sargent's Stadium and Roxbury Park per the terms of the City's agreement. He stated the Mill Rats have concession rights from May 1 through August 15, 2023 and then Bishop McCort would take over concession service outside of that timeframe and Roxbury Park for the duration of 2023. There was further discussion with Mr. Campagna regarding the matter.

The motion passed by the following vote:

Yeas: Mr. Arnone, Mr. Britt, Mr. Capriotti, Reverend King, Ms. Huchel (5)
Nays: None (0).

Resolution No. 10565

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, CAMBRIA COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER AND FINANCE DIRECTOR TO SIGN ALL DOCUMENTS AND TAKE ANY/ALL OTHER ACTIONS NECESSARY IN THE PURCHASE OF A 2023 SPRINTER 3500 HIGH-ROOF MULTIPURPOSE MOBILE COMMAND/CRIME SCENE AND CRASH INVESTIGATION VAN AND COMPUTER AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT, TOOLS AND MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES NECESSARY TO SUPPORT ITS MISSION.

Mr. Arnone made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Reverend King.

Chief Pritchard commented that PA Representative Burns obtained PCED funding and presented the police department with a check for \$200,000 in support of the purchase of the van in the amount of \$189,000, and the balance being used to cover the computer equipment. He offered a further description of the van, which is expected to arrive mid-October.

The motion passed by the following vote:

Yeas: Mr. Britt, Mr. Capriotti, Reverend King, Ms. Huchel, Mr. Arnone (5)
Nays: None (0).

NEW BUSINESS

None.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

1. Public Works

Jared Campagna, Public Works Director, reported base repair on Strayer Street will start April 17, 2023 and should be completed by mid-May 2023.

He stated Saturday, April 15, 2023, recreation director and volunteers will spread mulch on some of the playgrounds, including Wood Street, Park Avenue, Oakhurst Playground and the playground in Cambria City.

There was discussion regarding parking on Chandler Avenue. Mr. Campagna will check on the matter.

Reverend King inquired about the playground equipment. It was noted that grant opportunities may be available for the Minersville Playground. Somerset Street and Forest Avenue, three weeks for purchase and installation of that equipment. Mr. Campagna stated after the mulch is installed, the plan is to get the new swings installed. It was further noted that some improvement will be done at all the playgrounds this summer including at a minimum the mulch and new swings. Mr. Campagna will have the recreation director present at the next meeting for further discussion of his game plan.

Reverend King commented on the potholes at City Parking Lot E. Mr. Campagna will take a look at the location.

2. Police Department

Chief Richard Pritchard expressed thanks "for two great years here in the City of Johnstown", and his appreciation for the support from members as well as the community.

He noted the purchase order for the van will be made tomorrow.

Chief noted 18 candidates showed up for testing on April 1st, 2023, and 14 passed the physical and written as well. Five will be selected for the academy and won't be ready until January, but the rest will be on the street in June. He noted the department is currently down ten officers.

He had discussion regarding a civilian police academy, which will be coming up in January.

Chief Pritchard noted that National Night Out is approaching soon. This year's Thunder in the Valley will commence June 22, 2023.

3. Fire Department

Chief Robert Statler reported awaiting feedback on the training site and scheduling with that, and once training is completed, his department will start cleaning that lot to try to save some money.

A new hire started Monday to fill a vacancy and will be placed on shift shortly. A part-timer will also be hired and both would be ready by the end of the month.

4. Finance

Robert Ritter reported that the Enterprise Software has converted all the data and the next step is to train City staff on how to use the software.

He noted that real estate revenue should start "rolling in" shortly.

5. Community Development

John Dubnansky, Economic Development Director, reported that today two grant agreements were signed for two businesses downtown, one at 542 Main Street, which will open in a few weeks and one at 504 Main Street, which will open in approximately two months, both retail establishments.

He noted conversations with Bitwise Industries from California, which is looking for communities and areas of distress to work with youth to develop a skillset in IT, including software coding and software programming. A representative will be in Johnstown on May 11, 2023 for a day-long meeting. Save-the-date cards will be emailed soon with further information.

Mr. Arnone commented on the beautiful façade on Miller's Clothing Store. There was discussion regarding demolition of a building next to that location and concerns about a brewery moving into that property. Mr. Dubnansky noted there is activity going on with that property.

Conversations have begun with the Main Street designer by way of a preliminary phone call regarding a project kickoff meeting that will most likely take place the first week of May. Public input sessions will be held throughout the summer.

Mr. Dubnansky noted a Main Street committee is being organized to offer input and become "ambassadors" for the project.

The draft for Fiscal Year 2023 HUD Annual Action Plan is on the City's website and in print at City Hall on the second floor, at the Library downtown and at the Johnstown Housing Authority. The draft offers recommendations of how the CDBG funds in the amount of \$1.5 million should be spent. All are welcome to review the draft and provide input. Then on May 9, 2023, a public hearing will be held at City Hall at noon regarding the matter.

6. Code Enforcement

Dave Williams, Codes Enforcement Manager, reported that in the month of March there were 192 service requests issued for code violations and 33 building permits.

Regarding Pick Up PA, Mr. Williams indicated five dumpsters were placed throughout the City strategically for volunteer groups to place garbage from abandoned properties and illegal dump sites. Currently four tons of garbage have been dumped through Codes and Public Works. There was further discussion.

PUBLIC COMMENT - NONAGENDA ITEMS

Kelly Frentis, 621 Ash Street, Johnstown, stated she and her husband had purchased the row houses on Fronheiser Street and have been in the process of remodeling them, and five units are 95 percent completely remodeled. She had been meeting with the City and Land Bank about acquiring 628 Fronheiser Street, and noted there was a misunderstanding and offered further explanation. Ms. Francis was advised that assistance would be provided and is trying to understand what it is she needs to do in order to receive the assistance. She offered a description of the properties stated the plan is to install cameras and have a community garden in the back.

The City Manager would follow up with Ms. Francis regarding the funding matter. Council members had questions for Ms. Francis.

Randy Griffin had questions for Council and was told he could inquire after the meeting. He also requested a copy of the Engineer's Report, the ordinances and fee schedule.

RECESS/ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 7:44 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION WAS HELD WITH REGARD TO PENDING LITIGATION

The next Regular Council Meeting is scheduled for May 10, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.