



**CITY OF JOHNSTOWN  
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA  
ANTHONY C. TRUSCELLO  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 2024**

**City Council**

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

REGULAR MEETING - 6:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER:

INVOCATION:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ROLL CALL:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. Regular Council meeting minutes of March 13, 2024

PROCLAMATIONS, AWARDS, HONORS, RESOLUTIONS OF RECOGNITION:

1. Proclamation Recognizing Captain Harry G. Cramer
2. Proclamation in Recognition of Fair Housing Month
3. Letter of Recognition - JPD Officer Steven Tineo, Sergeant Matthew Reihart, Detective Sgt. Cory Adams and Detective Mark Britton

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

PETITIONS:

ORDINANCES FOR FINAL READ AND ADOPTION:

**Bill No. 2 of 2024 - Prohibition on the Tethering of Pets** - This ordinance would prohibit the tethering of cats and dogs during extremely cold and hot temperatures. The Bill also vests enforcement authority of this ordinance with the Johnstown Police Department. The Bill was tabled at the February 14, 2024 Council meeting, and then updated at the March 13<sup>th</sup> City Council meeting to remove a section regarding the declawing of cats. City Council approved the first read of the updated version at the March 13<sup>th</sup> meeting.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, CAMBRIA COUNTY,  
PENNSYLVANIA AMENDING PART 6, SECTION 614 OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN  
CODE OF ORDINANCES BY ADDING NEW SECTION 57 PROHIBITING  
UNATTENDED DOGS AND CATS BEING LEFT OUTSIDE DURING INCLEMENT  
WEATHER AND TO DESIGNATE THE ENFORCEMENT TO THE CITY OF  
JOHNSOTWN POLICE

Recommended Action - Make a motion grant final approval to Bill No. 2 of 2024, prohibiting the tethering of dogs and cats for prolonged periods of time during extreme temperature conditions.

ORDINANCES FOR FIRST READ:

None

RESOLUTIONS:

**Conference Center Management Agreement** - The management agreement for the Frank J. Pasquerilla Conference Center between the City and Top Dog Productions expired at the end of February 2024. Top Dog Productions informed the City they no longer wish to manage the conference center and are not interested in extending the management agreement. In light of the lack of a current facility manager, the City has recently been working with the Cambria County War Memorial Authority on a new agreement to manage the facility. The War Memorial Authority expressed interest in managing the facility on behalf the City, and the Authority and City have been able to come to terms with other community stakeholders on a plan to keep the conference center open as a conference center.

The proposed agreement will run for a period of five years, which provides sufficient time for the War Memorial Authority to both retain existing clients at the conference center, and attract new events to the facility. The City will be responsible for utility and capital costs at the conference center, but the War Memorial Authority will assume the day to day responsibilities and costs of operating the venue.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, CAMBRIA COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE, AND TO TAKE ANY/ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE, A MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS AGREEMENT WITH THE CAMBRIA COUNTY WAR MEMORIAL AUTHORITY FOR EVENT MANAGEMENT SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED AT THE FRANK J. PASQUERILLA CONFERENCE CENTER

Recommended Action - Make a motion to approve the resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a five-year agreement with the Cambria County War Memorial Authority for the management of the Frank J. Pasquerilla Conference Center.

**Bid Approval to Purchase Fencing at City Fire Training Facility** - City staff sought bids for the construction and installation of fencing around the Johnstown Fire Department's Fire Training Facility along Murdock and Oak Streets. Bids were opened on March 19<sup>th</sup>, with Pro Max Fencing Systems LLC submitting the lowest responsible bid of \$31,850.00. The project is budgeted for in the 2024 City budget and will be paid for from account number 18.412.72.066.00.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, CAMBRIA COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER

TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH PRO MAX FENCING SYSTEMS, LLC IN THE AMOUNT OF \$31,850.00 FOR CONTRACT #2024-01, FIRE TRAINING FACILITY FENCING

Recommended Action - Make a motion to approve the resolution approving a bid from Pro Max Fencing Systems LLC in the amount of \$31,850.00 to construct a fence around the City Fire Training Facility at Murdock and Oak Streets.

**Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Amendments** - Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds that are unused from certain projects over the past four years are proposed to be reallocated for use by the Johnstown Fire Department. Funds from all four years are now proposed to be used to purchase turnout gear for the JFD as well as the purchase of a ladder truck for the JFD. A required public hearing for the amendments was held on April 2<sup>nd</sup>.

A RESOLUTION, OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, CAMBRIA COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA APPROVING SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENTS TO THE FY 2020, FY 2021, FY 2022, AND FY 2023 CDBG PROGRAMS

Recommended Action - Make a motion to approve the proposed amendments to the City's FY 2020, 2021, 2022 and 2023 Community Development Block Grant programs.

**Approving an Agreement with Johnstown Family Entertainment for Use of Sargeant's Stadium at the Point** - Johnstown Family Entertainment, owner of the Johnstown Mill Rats Prospect League baseball franchise, proposes to lease Sargeant's Stadium at the Point for the summer 2024, commencing on May 15<sup>th</sup> and concluding August 15<sup>th</sup>. The proposed lease agreement also accommodates the use of the stadium for the annual AAABA baseball tournament. Per the terms of the agreement, JFE will pay the City of Johnstown \$15,000 for use of the stadium during the proposed term.

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 AGREEMENT WITH JOHNSTOWN FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT FOR USE OF SARGEANT'S STADIUM AT THE POINT FOR A FOUR MONTH TERM IN SUMMER 2024 FOR THE USE OF THE JOHNSTOWN MILL RATS PROSPECT LEAGUE BASEBALL TEAM

Recommended Action - Make a motion to authorize the City Manager to enter into a proposed lease agreement with Johnstown Family Entertainment for use of Sargeant's Stadium at the Point during the summer 2024 months.

NEW BUSINESS:

**Technical Services Request for Police Management Study from the Governor's Center for Local Government Services** - The Johnstown Police Department is seeking consulting services from the PA Governor's Center for Local Government in order to determine fair formula amounts for offering police services to regional municipalities currently served, and those that may request services in the future.

Recommended Action - Make a motion to approve the letter of intent to the Governor's Center for Local Government Services to request technical assistance.

OLD BUSINESS:

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

1. Code Enforcement
2. Police Department
3. Fire Department
4. Finance
5. Community Development
6. Public Works

PUBLIC COMMENT: NON-AGENDA ITEMS (Limit 3 minutes)

RECESS/ADJOURNMENT:

NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED COUNCIL MEETING - May 8, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

*Copies of all staff reports and documents subject to disclosure that relate to any item of business referred to on the agenda are available for public inspection the Friday before each regularly scheduled meeting at City Hall, located at 401 Main Street, Johnstown, Pa.*

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