## JOHNSTOWN CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES Wednesday, March 26, 2025

City Council met in a stated session for the special council transaction of business. Mayor Frank Janakovic called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

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

The following members of Council were present for roll call:

- Mayor Janakovic, Reverend King, Mr. Clark, Ms. Huchel, Mr. Arnone, Mrs. Mock (6). Mr. Britt was absent.
- Art Martynuska, City Manager; Sara Williams, Executive Secretary; and Michael Capriotti, Assistant City Manager; Jared Campagna, Public Works; and Tony Penna, Recreation Director were also in attendance.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT-AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

William Layton, Jr., 300 Cedar Street, Johnstown, discussed being contracted with the prior City Manager to do a football field. Asphalt was removed from the playground. The money ran out. He questioned why he was not contacted when the new project went out for bid.

Mr. Campagna stated the bids were advertised prior to the pre-bid meeting was held March 6, 2025. The bid opening was Friday, March 21.

Mr. Layton noted discussing the matter with the Mayor. Mr. Penna rebutted Mr. Layton's allegations that he would be denied the opportunity to bid the project and statements regarding theft of money by the previous city manager. Mr. Penna stated that Mr. Layton's statement was "absolutely ludicrous" and called Mr. Layton a liar.

Ms. Mock questioned whether Mr. Layton was paid for his work. Mr. Layton stated he was paid his \$6,500 for the asphalt removal. Ms. Mock discussed obtaining additional money from Vision Together 2025 to cover the difference for the project, not money from the City. Mr. Stiffler could be contacted for payment of receipts.

Reverend King questioned Mr. Layton if he is owed any additional money. Mr. Layton stated he has been paid.

Mayor Janakovic directed Mr. Layton to meet with the City Manager regarding this issue. Mr. Mock reviewed the bidding process. Reverend King stated the project should not have occurred as it was going to surpass \$10,000.

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## AGENDA ITEMS

### Resolution No. 105713

# A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN, CAMBRIA COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH STRAW CONSTRUCTION AWARDING CONTRACT NO. 2025-01 WOOD STREET PLAYGROUND, SKATE PARK AND POINT STADIUM IMPROVEMENT PROJECT.

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

The motion passed by the following vote:

Yeas: Reverend King, Mrs. Mock, Ms. Huchel, Mr. Arnone, Mr. Clark, Mayor Janakovic (6).Nays: None (0).

## RECESS/ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 5:13 p.m.

Council then entered into executive session.