

January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018

### **Regular Meeting-**

The regular meeting of the City of Port Jervis Common Council was held in the Council Chambers, 20 Hammond Street, Port Jervis, New York on Monday January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.

### **Attendance-**

Mayor Decker and all members of the Common Council were present except Mr. Foster.

Meeting opened at 6:30pm by Mr. Decker.

### **Pledge of Allegiance-**

Mayor Decker led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Motion by Mr. Santini, seconded by Mr. Bavoso, to allow Executive session to discuss, a potential sale of City owned property at 178-180 Ball Street, discuss the status of litigation regarding the Tri-State Bridge project, discuss potential lease agreement regarding railroad property, discuss possible continuation of the contract with the Upper Delaware Scenic Byway, discuss personnel issues regarding City retirees and health insurance benefits, and invite the Building Official, DPW Director, City Clerk and to seek advice of counsel regarding matters involving attorney/client privilege.

AYE: 9 ABSENT: 0 NAY: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

Meeting adjourned to executive session at 6:35pm

Mr. Foster arrived during executive session.

Meeting reconvened from executive session at 7:30pm

### **Attendance-**

Mayor Decker and all members of the Common Council were present. Recreation Director John Faggione, Police Chief William Worden, DPW Director Jack Farr, City Clerk Treasurer Robin Waizenegger and Corporation Counsel were also present.

### **Youth Report-**

The High School Physical Education teacher, Ms. Beirne, just completed a new yoga unit with her students. As part of their final class, they had to create group yoga routines to teach to their classmates. The high school students then came to ASK Physical Education classes to teach their routines to K-6<sup>th</sup> grade students. Calling all freshman, sophomores and juniors, Chain Reaction day is a month away, on Tuesday, February 6<sup>th</sup>. Please stop in to see Mrs. Schields in the guidance office to sign up by January 12<sup>th</sup>. Regents exams will be held January 22<sup>nd</sup> to January 25<sup>th</sup>. With superintendents Conference Day on January 26, there will be NO school for students unless they a scheduled exam. At the middle school, Mallory Conklin, 8<sup>th</sup> grader at PJMS, was awarded a free ticket to the Army West Point Women's Basketball game for participating in the Black Knights Reading Challenge. The challenge was open to all students in the Orange and Ulster Counties to see who could read the most pages from November 6<sup>th</sup> to December 1st. Mallory was recognized during halftime at the December 16<sup>th</sup> game against St. Joseph's College. At the elementary schools, Shrek Jr. directed by Mrs. Halpenny will run on Friday, January 12<sup>th</sup>, 7:00; Saturday, January 13<sup>th</sup>, at 2 and 7:00 in the High School Auditorium. General admission is \$6.00. Come and cook with Cooper Boone at Foundry 42+! Drop your child off for a cooking class on select Saturday and Sundays at 1:00 in January, February & March. Class includes use of apron and chef's hat. Class is limited to 12 students.

The next Board of Education meeting will be January 9<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00pm in the high school cafeteria.

January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018**Senior Report-**

Mr. Siegel urged seniors to get flu shots.

**Veteran Report-**

Mr. Siegel urged Veterans to get flu shots.

**Public Hearing: Local Law#1 of 2018**

Motion by Mr. Bavoso, seconded by Mr. Belcher to open the public hearing on LL#1 relating to trade shops.

AYE: 9 ABSENT: 0 NAY: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

Wayne Kidney, 1<sup>st</sup> ward asked for the reasoning behind the creation of the local law.

Mr. Bavoso indicated that developers have shown interest in opening businesses in the central business district.

Motion by Mr. Bavoso, seconded by Mrs. Randazzo to close the public hearing on LL#1.

AYE: 9 ABSENT: 0 NAY: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

Motion by Mr. Bavoso, seconded by Mr. Belcher to adopt Local Law #1 of 2018.

AYE: 9 ABSENT: 0 NAY: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

**Public Comment-**

Robin Tamburino, 4<sup>th</sup> ward, inquired about a possible dog park, vacant homes in her neighborhood and thanked the tourism board for the Christkindlemarkt event in November.

Jill Lindner, 4<sup>th</sup> ward, asked the Council to consider the vacant lot on 15 Seward Ave to be reserved for a community garden.

**Minutes Approved-**

Motion by Mr. Siegel, seconded by Mr. Belcher to approve the minutes of the December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017 regular meeting.

AYE: 8 ABSENT: 0 NAY: 0 ABSTAIN: 1(Mr. Santini) CARRIED

Motion by Mr. Foster, seconded by Mr. Siegel to approve the minutes of the December 20th, 2017 special Council meeting.

AYE: 8 ABSENT: 0 NAY: 0 ABSTAIN: 1(Mr. Santini) CARRIED

Motion by Mr. Bavoso, seconded by Mrs. Trovei to approve the minutes of the December 27th, 2017 special Council meeting.

AYE: 8 ABSENT: 0 NAY: 0 ABSTAIN: 1(Mr. Santini) CARRIED

**Committee Reports:****Finance Committee**

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Motion by Mrs. Trovei, seconded by Mrs. Randazzo to pay the current bills for General Fund, Water Fund, and Capital Account for a total of \$296,913.29.

AYE: 9 ABSENT: 0 NAY: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

Motion by Mrs. Trovei, seconded by Mr. Bavoso to approve the resolution relating the designation of officers for purpose of NYS HCR.

AYE: 9 ABSENT: 0 NAY: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

Motion by Mrs. Trovei, seconded by Mr. Bavoso to approve the resolution relating to the newspaper, radio and television designation for 2018.

AYE: 9 ABSENT: 0 NAY: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

Motion by Mrs. Trovei, seconded by Mr. Bavoso to approve the resolution relating to the banking and depositories for 2018.

AYE: 9 ABSENT: 0 NAY: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

Motion by Mrs. Trovei, seconded by Mr. Siegel to approve the resolution relating to the standard work day and reporting for NYS Retirement system benefits.

AYE: 9 ABSENT: 0 NAY: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

Motion by Mrs. Trovei, seconded by Mr. Siegel to approve the resolution relating to signature requirements for disbursements.

AYE: 9 ABSENT: 0 NAY: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

Motion by Mrs. Trovei, seconded by Mr. Bavoso to approve the resolution authorizes the Mayor to execute the shared services agreement for the Records Management project associated with the LGMRIF application.

AYE: 9 ABSENT: 0 NAY: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

#### **Fire & Emergency Management (FEM) Committee**

Motion by Mr. Siegel, seconded by Mr. Bavoso to approve Rev. Paul C. Zorn , Neversink Engine Company No. 1, for active membership.

AYE: 9 ABSENT: 0 NAY: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

Motion by Mr. Siegel, seconded by Mr. Bavoso to approve an Inter-Department transfer for Peter J. Sigreto and Russell R. Potter from Fowler's Rescue & Salvage Company No. 3 to Delaware Engine Company No. 2.

AYE: 9 ABSENT: 0 NAY: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

Motion by Mr. Siegel, seconded by Mr. Bavoso to approve Lindsey R. Predmore from Tri States Hose Company No. 6 to be removed from their active rolls.

AYE: 9 ABSENT: 0 NAY: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

Motion by Mr. Siegel, seconded by Mr. Bavoso to approve James B. Fuller, Sr. as a driver for Excelsior Engine Company No. 5.

AYE: 9 ABSENT: 0 NAY: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

Motion by Mr. Siegel, seconded by Mrs. Randazzo to approve the following events for Neversink Engine Company No. 1 hold a Spaghetti Dinner on 03/03/2018, host a Fish Fry on 06/02/2018, hold a Spaghetti Dinner on 11/03/2018 attend the Wallington Christmas parade on 11/24/2018 and attend the Orangeburg Christmas parade on a yet to be determined date in December.

AYE: 9 ABSENT: 0 NAY: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

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Motion by Mr. Siegel, seconded by Mr. Foster to approve the following events for Excelsior Engine Company No. 5. Super Bowl party on 02/04/2018, Daytona race party on 02/18/2018 and a pizza take out on Good Friday 03/30/2018.

AYE: 9 ABSENT: 0 NAY: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

Motion by Mr. Siegel, seconded by Mrs. Randazzo to approve the following events for Tri State Hose Company No. 6 hold a car wash at the Port Jervis Middle School on 05/12/2018, hold a raffle on 05/19/2018 and 05/20/2018, host a golf tournament at High Point Country Club, Montague, New Jersey on 06/15/2018, and have a booth at the Fall Foliage Festival on 09/30/3018.

AYE: 9 ABSENT: 0 NAY: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

Watch our Facebook page: Port Jervis Fire Department and our website [www.pjnyfd.com](http://www.pjnyfd.com) for information about the PJFD.

The next meeting will be held on January 15<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00pm in the council chambers.

#### **Code Committee-**

Next code meeting to be held February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 7:00pm in the council chambers.

#### **Comprehensive Plan-**

Next comprehensive plan meeting to be held January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 7:00pm at the Recreation Center.

#### **Department of Public Works (DPW) Committee-**

##### **Update:**

Garbage and recycling will be on its normal schedule for the week of January 8th. The week of January 15th garbage will be one day late in all wards due to the Martin Luther King Holiday. 3rd ward papers will be picked up as scheduled on Friday the 19th. The new 2018 garbage and recycling schedule can be found on the city website at [www.portjervisny.org](http://www.portjervisny.org) or by stopping at the DPW office at 1 Franklin St. to pick one up. Christmas tree pickup will continue for a couple weeks. Please place your tree at the curb for pickup. Please remember that the City overnight parking regulations are now in effect and are as follows. From December 1 through April 1, no vehicles shall park on any City street or highway between the hours of 1:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. Please refrain from throwing or blowing snow into the City streets as this illegal and also costs the City more money and time as we have to go back and clean the streets up again.

The next DPW meeting will take place on February 5<sup>th</sup> at 6pm here in the Council Chambers.

Motion by Mr. Belcher, seconded by Mr. Bavoso to approve the January 2<sup>nd</sup> DPW meeting minutes.

AYE: 9 ABSENT: 0 NAY: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

Motion by Mr. Belcher, seconded by Mr. Bavoso to approve the resolution relating to the Port Jervis bridge replacement program PIN #8756.64.

AYE: 9 ABSENT: 0 NAY: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

Motion by Mr. Belcher, seconded by Mr. Bavoso to approve the resolution relating to the Port Jervis road widening program PIN #8757.08.

AYE: 9 ABSENT: 0 NAY: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

#### **Police Committee-**

Motion by Mr. Foster, seconded by Mr. Bavoso to approve the December 2017 monthly police report.

AYE: 9 ABSENT: 0 NAY: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

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The next meeting will be held on January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

**Liaison Reports:**

**Community Development Agency (CDA)-**

Mrs. Trovei noted that the CDA budget was passed.

The next meeting will be January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 7:00pm on the second floor of the Youth Center.

**Industrial Development Agency (IDA)-**

Next meeting has not been scheduled at this time.

**American's with Disabilities Act (ADA)-**

Next meeting will be held on March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 6:30pm.

**Housing Authority-**

Next meeting will be held on January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 at 7:30 at Hillside Terrace.

**Recreation Commission:**

Our Co-Ed Youth Basketball program is held Saturdays at the A.S.K. Gym for 3rd-6th graders. 3rd and 4th graders workout from 12:00 pm-1:15 pm. 5th and 6th graders workout from 1:30 pm-3:00 pm. This program runs through March 3, 2018. Please remember to drop off and pick up your child on time. Thank you. Adult Basketball started this past Sunday January 7, 2018. It is held from 10:00 am-12:00 pm at the A.S.K. Gym. It will run through April 29. All participants are reminded to follow the rules and regulations. These rules and regulations can be found on our Facebook page and are available at the Recreation office. The sleigh riding hill is set up at West End Beach. Please remember that this hill is for sleds only. No skis or snowboards. Participants can sled anytime during daylight hours. Church St. Park basketball courts and tennis courts are closed for the winter. The gates are closed and locked. They will re-open in the spring. Sky Line Drive located inside of Point Peter Park is closed to vehicular traffic for the season. Sky Line Drive is open to vehicles up to the parking lot just outside the gate. All trails and Sky Line Drive inside the gate are still open for hiking and biking. The gate will re-open in the spring. A Snow Tubing field trip to Fernwood PA is scheduled for Thursday February 8, 2018. Cost will be \$25 per person and includes lift ticket and transportation. Bus will leave Port at 4:45 pm and return approximately 9:00 pm. Great night out for the family! Tickets are limited so sign up early. A Mohegan Sun Casino trip- in Wilkes Barre PA is schedule for Saturday March 11, 2018. Cost will be \$30 per person. This trip is for adults only- ages 21 and up. Everyone on this trip will receive \$25 in slot play and a \$5 food voucher! Limited tickets for this trip as well.

The next Recreation Commission meeting is scheduled for Tuesday January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 7:00pm at the Youth Center.

**Tourism Board-**

Mr. Belcher thanked all involved with the Holiday Lighting Contest and announced the winners.

The next meeting will be on January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 6:30 pm in the Council Chambers.

**Zoning Board of Appeals-**

Mrs. Randazzo noted that a public hearing was discussed and approved for the Drew Methodist Church and a pre submission relating to a property line change for 24-26 North Maple Avenue was discussed.

The next meeting will be on February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 6:00pm in the Council chambers.

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**Planning Board-**

The next meeting will be held on January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 7:00pm.

**Plumbing Board-**

The next meeting will be held on February 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm in the Council chambers.

**Electrical Board-**

The next meeting will be held on February 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:45pm in the Council chambers.

**Senior Advisory-**

Mr. Siegel thanked all involved with the recent holiday dinner.

**Access 23 TV-**

Mr. Belcher thanked the cameraman.

**PJV Ambulance Report-**

Mrs. Randazzo stated that the next general membership meeting for the PJVAC will be held January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

**Mayor's Correspondence-**

Motion by Mrs. Randazzo, seconded by Mr. Bavoso to approve the Manly Marathon events being held on May 12<sup>th</sup> and June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018 and to charge \$450.00 for the use of Riverside Park, subject to proper insurance.

AYE: 9 ABSENT: 0 NAY: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

Mayor Decker updated residents on the proposed annexation with the Town of Deerpark and noted that a joint meeting will be scheduled soon.

Mr. Decker indicated that he will make any necessary appointments at the next scheduled Council meeting and announced the State of the City will be held on January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 6:00pm.

Mayor Decker reminded residents that the 2018 garbage schedule is available on the City website.

**City Clerk Treasurer's Report-**

Mrs. Waizenegger warned residents of marketing tactics relating to the testing of water, encouraged residents to license their dogs and that county taxes and water/sewer are due in the month of January.

**Old Business:**

**Mrs. Randazzo-**

Mrs. Randazzo offered condolences to the Bavoso family.

**Mrs. Fitzpatrick-**

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Mrs. Fitzpatrick offered condolences to the Bavoso family.

**Mr. Belcher-**

Mr. Belcher announced that a 2<sup>nd</sup> ward meeting will be held on January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 and offered condolences to the Bavoso family.

**Mr. Santini-**

Mr. Santini offered condolences to the Bavoso family.

**Mr. Bavoso-** No comment

**Mr. Foster-**

Mr. Foster offered condolences to the Bavoso family.

**Mrs. Mann-**

Mrs. Mann offered condolences to the Bavoso family.

**Mrs. Trovei-**

Mrs. Trovei offered condolences to the Bavoso family.

**Mr. Siegel-**

Mr. Siegel offered condolences to the Bavoso family, thanked the VFW Naval ship on their recent event, informed the council that another rally was held to support ADA compliance at the train station.

**New Business:**

**Mr. Siegel-**

Mr. Siegel thanked the Fire Department for their service, announced that a new taxpayer group is forming and meetings will start in March, a fundraiser dinner will be held on January 14<sup>th</sup> from 1:00-4:00pm at the VFW 161, noted that the warming station hours are from 9:00pm to 7:00am and the Salvation Army is open from 9:00am-6:00pm and Mr. Siegel also discussed the idea of a community garden in the 4<sup>th</sup> ward.

**Mrs. Trovei-**

Mrs. Trovei welcomed Mr. Santini to the Council.

**Mrs. Mann-** No comment

**Mr. Foster-**

Mr. Foster welcomed Mr. Santini to the Council.

**Mr. Bavoso-**

Thanked everyone for their support during this difficult time.

**Mr. Santini-** No comment

**Mr. Belcher-**

Mr. Belcher welcomed Mr. Santini to the Council.

**Mrs. Fitzpatrick-**

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Mrs. Fitzpatrick noted that the Snow Tubing field trip to Fernwood PA scheduled for Thursday February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018 will be \$20 per person and welcomed Mr. Santini to the Council.

**Mrs. Randazzo-**

Mrs. Randazzo welcomed Mr. Santini to the Council and announced a 4<sup>th</sup> ward meeting will be held on January 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm at Howard Wheat Engine Co 4. She also advised residents that a water main break has occurred on Jersey Avenue.

**Public Comment-**

Robin Tamburino, 4th ward, asked about the status of 100 Pike Street Plaza.

Mayor Decker commented that two businesses are scheduled to be open in March.

William Bavoso, Corporation Counsel, thanked everyone for the community support his family has received during this difficult time.

**Meeting Adjourned –**

Motion by Mr. Foster seconded by Mr. Belcher to adjourn the meeting at 8:50pm.

AYE: 9 ABSENT: 0 NAYS: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

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Robin Waizenegger  
Clerk Treasurer