

July 10th, 2017**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 July 10th, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.

Attendance-

Mayor Decker and all members of the Common Council were present except Mr. Siegel, Mrs. Fitzpatrick & Mrs. Hendry.

Meeting opened at 6:30pm by Mayor Decker.

Motion by Mr. Foster, seconded by Mr. Bavoso, to allow Executive session to discuss, discuss a seasonal employee, a Fire Inspector, compensation of both and a sign request with the Building Official, discuss the financial statement and compensation to the City regarding one of the bike races, discuss request from Wells Fargo Bank regarding property they own within the City, discuss proposed Agreement with Energy in the Bank Phase II and invite the Building Official and to seek advice of counsel regarding matters involving attorney/client privilege.

AYE: 6 ABSENT: 3 (Mr. Siegel, Mrs. Fitzpatrick, Mrs. Hendry) NAY: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

Meeting adjourned to executive session at 6:37pm

Meeting reconvened from executive session at 7:30pm

Attendance-

Mayor Decker and all members of the Common Council were present except Mrs. Hendry. DPW Director Jack Farr, Recreation Director John Faggione and City Clerk Treasurer Robin Waizenegger were also present.

Pledge of Allegiance-

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

Youth Report-

Congratulations to the Port Jervis class of 2017 and all of the local graduates. Now that school has ended there are still plenty of things for the kids to do! Check out all of the things going on at Riverside, Farnum, and Church Street Parks during the day. Lunch is being served at noon.

The 3rd Annual Tri-State Triathlon will be held on Sunday August 6th, 2017 at West End Beach right here in Port Jervis! Register and challenge yourself to the 400 Meter Swim, 10 Mile Bike, and 5K Run! You can register at: www.tri-statetriathlon.com.

The PJMS Summer Academy 2017 began July 5th. Summer Academy is open to students who will be attending 7th & 8th grade in September 2017. Please Contact PJMS Guidance Department to register students for these courses or to address any questions. Space is limited.

Tri-State Youth Soccer Club starts this week. Majors, seniors and supers start Tuesday the 11th. Tom Thumb and minors start Wednesday the 12th at 6:00pm. Another Great season of PJ Youth Football is starting up soon. Online registration is open. Visit PJYFL.com for more information and to register online. Registration will be closed on July 31st, 2017.

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The Port Jervis Police Department and the Port Jervis Area National Night Out Against Crime Committee are proud to partner with the community to sponsor the 11th annual NNO event to the Port Jervis area on Tuesday, August 1st, 2017 at 6:00pm at scenic Riverside Park.

Mr. Conklin stated "Before I go, I want to thank the Mayor and all of you for letting me do these reports all of these years. It has been an honor and a pleasure to come here and do these reports. As you know, all good things must come to an end. I hope to come back some day and serve the public from your side of the table. Thanks again!"

Senior Report-

No report.

Veteran Report-

No report

Presentations- Orlando Frazier, Ultimate Teen Warrior Event

Mr. Frazier described the Ultimate Teen Warrior Event as an anti-bullying initiative event where teens come together in a day of athletic competition and compared the event to Spartan Races or Tuff Mudders but designed for teens. He requested the Councils approval for event to be held September 30th, 2017 at Riverside Park.

Mayor Decker noted that Mr. Frazier would need to provide 3 references.

Motion by Mr. Bavoso, seconded by Mr. Siegel to approve the Ultimate Teen Warrior Event to be held on September 30th, 2017 at Riverside Park pending Department Head comments.

AYE: 8 ABSENT: 1 NAY: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

Public Comment-

No public comment.

Minutes Approved-

Motion by Mr. Bavoso, seconded by Mr. Belcher to approve the minutes of the June 26th, 2017 regular meeting.

AYE: 7 ABSENT: 1 NAY: 0 ABSTAIN: 1 (Mrs. Randazzo) CARRIED

Committee Reports:

Finance Committee

Motion by Mrs. Trovei, seconded by Mr. Bavoso to pay the current bills for General Fund, Water Fund, and Capital Account for a total of \$392,488.18.

AYE: 8 ABSENT: 1 NAY: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

Motion by Mrs. Trovei, seconded by Mr. Belcher to approve \$1,850.00 to be allocated from the contingency fund to perform a restoration needs assessment on the Civil War monument.

AYE: 8 ABSENT: 1 NAY: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

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Motion by Mrs. Trovei, seconded by Mr. Siegel to approve the hire of a seasonal Code Enforcement Officer at \$18.00 an hour for 12 weeks.

AYE: 8 ABSENT: 1 NAY: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

Motion by Mrs. Trovei, seconded by Mr. Bavoso to approve the minutes of the June 2017 finance meeting.

AYE: 8 ABSENT: 1 NAY: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

The next finance meeting will be held on July 26th, at 6:00pm in the council chambers.

Fire & Emergency Management (FEM) Committee

Motion by Mr. Seigel, seconded by Mr. Bavoso to approve Excelsior Engine Company No. 5 to attend a Wet Down in Howells, New York on August 6th, 2017 and have a booth at the Fall Foliage Festival on September 24th, 2017.

AYE: 8 ABSENT: 1 NAY: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

Mr. Siegel congratulated and thanked all participants of the 167th annual Fireman's Day Parade.

Watch our Facebook page: Port Jervis Fire Department and our website www.pjnyfd.com for information about the PJFD.

The next meeting will be held on July 17th, at 7:00pm in the council chambers.

Code Committee-

Mr. Bavoso announced that the Comprehensive Code & Zoning Committee will be having two public hearings on July 27th at 7:00pm and August 10th at 7:30pm and urged residents to attend.

Motion by Mr. Bavoso, seconded by Mr. Foster to approve a public hearing relating to the 2017 Community Development Block Grant to be held at 7:30 on July 24th, 2017 at 7:00pm.

AYE: 8 ABSENT: 1 NAY: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

Next code meeting to be held August 2nd, 2017 at 7:00pm in the council chambers.

Department of Public Works (DPW) Committee-

Update:

Garbage and recycling will be on their normal schedule for this week.

Yard debris pickup will begin again on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month; this will continue every month due to the increased demand for pickup.

The promenade project will continue throughout the summer and the one way street will remain closed.

The next DPW meeting will take place on July 17th, 2017 at 6:00p.m. in the council chambers.

Police Committee-

National Night Out will be held on August 1st, 2017 with this year's theme being "Working together as a community to promote a safe & positive Port Jervis & greater Tri-State Area"

Motion by Mr. Foster, seconded by Mrs. Randazzo to approve the resolution relating to a volunteer Police Chaplin.

AYE: 8 ABSENT: 1 NAY: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

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The next meeting will be July 27th, 2017 at 6:30pm.

Liaison Reports:

Community Development Agency (CDA)-

Mrs. Trovei congratulated recent FFS graduates, and reported that grant opportunities and financial statements were discussed at the last meeting.

The next meeting will be July 26th, 2017 at 7:00pm on the second floor of the Youth Center.

Industrial Development Agency (IDA)-

Mrs. Randazzo reported that the PILOT for 100-200 Skyline Dr. was approved pending negotiations with the City and that committee had discussed revoking the PILOT for 100 Pike Street, due to compliance failure.

The next meeting will be July 16th, 2017 at 6:00pm

American's with Disabilities Act (ADA)-

No report.

Next meeting to be held August 7th, 2017 at 6:30pm in the council chambers.

Housing Authority-

Mr. Seigel mentioned the work is continuing at Hillside Terrace on drainage, sidewalks and blacktopping and apologizes for the inconvenience.

The next meeting will be June 27th, 2017 at 7:00pm at Hillside Terrace.

Recreation Commission:

The Summer Playground and Youth Center Program is now in its third week. Playgrounds and the Youth Center are open 9 am-3:30 pm Monday-Friday. There are plenty of daily activities and programs to participate in as well as special events all week. Programs and activities are FREE of charge. Contact the Recreation office at 845-858-4045 for more details.

West End Beach is also open for the season. The beach is open Monday, Thursday and Friday 12 pm-6 pm and weekends 11 am-6 pm. The beach is closed on Tuesday and Wednesday. There is a \$5 parking fee on weekends for non-residents.

Upcoming special events: July 10th, Broome Street Wind Ensemble Band at Farnum Park at 7 pm, Circle Line Field Trip Wednesday July 12- a few seats remain, NY Met Baseball game- Wednesday July 19- a few seats remain, FREE Outdoor Movie- Wednesday July 12 at 7 pm at Riverside Park. Movie this week is Moana, FREE Concert in the Park- Thursday July 13 at 7 pm at Riverside Park- The Carl Richards Band, FREE Concert in the Park- Thursday July 20 at 7 pm at Riverside Park- RICH WILSON Youth Track is offered every Tuesday and Thursday evening at the Port Jervis high School for boys and girls ages 5 and up. This program is FREE of charge.

Tennis camp will be held next week- July 17 – 21 at Church Street Park from 9 am-12:30 pm. This FREE Camp is for boys and girls ages 8-13.

Dorney Park field trip on Friday July 28th has plenty of seats left. Cost for transportation and all day pass to the park is only \$70. Transportation will be on a coach bus.

For more information on any of our activities, programs, field trips or special events contact the Recreation office at 845-858-4045 or email us at pjrec@frontiernet.net.

There is no Recreation Commission meeting in July.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday August 16th at 7:00 pm at the Youth Center

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Tourism Board-

Mr. Belcher thanked the Tourism Board and Todd Kowinsky for their hard working during the recent carnival.

The next meeting will be on July 12th, 2017 at 6:30 pm in the council chambers.

Zoning Board of Appeals-

No report

The next meeting will be held on August 3rd, at 7:00pm.

Planning Board-

No report

The next meeting will be held on July 18th, 2017 at 7:00pm.

Plumbing Board-

No report

The next meeting will be held on September 6th, 2017 at 6:30pm.

Electrical Board-

No report

The next meeting will be held on September 6th, 2017 at 6:45pm.

Senior Advisory-

Mr. Siegel noted that seniors are having difficulty crossing the Main Street/Jersey Ave intersection due to the blinking traffic lights.

Mayor Decker noted that the traffic lights are blinking to keep traffic moving during construction hours.

Access 23 TV-

Mr. Belcher noted that he worked with Spectrum to help improve picture quality for the Access 23 channel.

PJV Ambulance Report-

Mrs. Randazzo noted that financials were discussed at the last meeting.

Mayor's Correspondence-

Mayor Decker personally thanked Mr. Conklin for his years of doing the youth report.

Mr. Decker thanked all involved with the following events; Dinner along the Delaware, Firemen's Day Parade, Point Peter Pounder and the Carnival.

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Motion by Mrs. Randazzo, seconded by Mr. Bavoso to approve the 2018 Dinner along the Delaware & firework event to be held July 3rd, 2018.

AYE: 8 ABSENT: 1 NAY: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

Mr. Decker appointed Laura Meyer as Chairwoman for the Tourism Board.

As a reminder, biodegradable bags, paper bags or a can may be used for pickup; if one of these is not used the property owner will receive one warning, there will be a fine for a second offense.

Mayor Decker reminded residents to save water bottles and cans to help raise funds for the White Water Kayak Park and a recycling container is located near Riverside Park.

Mr. Decker invited residents to Mount Carmel Feast Day being held July 16th, 2017.

City Clerk Treasurer's Report-

Mrs. Waizenegger announced that Hospice of Orange County is looking for volunteers; anyone interested can call 845-565-4849. She also thanked Bobbie Jo Muller, Deputy City Clerk Treasurer, for covering her during her recent vacation.

Old Business:

Mr. Siegel-

Mr. Siegel stated that the community support in Port Jervis is refreshing and thanked everyone involved with all recent events.

Mrs. Trovei-

Mrs. Trovei also thanked everyone for the recent events.

Mr. VanHorn- No comment

Mr. Foster-

Mr. Foster noted that it was a spectacular week in Port Jervis and thanked everyone for their hard work.

Mr. Bavoso-

Mr. Bavoso thanked all participants of the annual Firemen's Day Parade and looks forward to future events.

Mrs. Hendry- Absent

Mr. Belcher-

Mr. Belcher thanked the Tourism board for all their hard work and offered condolences to the Parrish family.

Mrs. Fitzpatrick-

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Mrs. Fitzpatrick thanked everyone involved with recent events.

Mrs. Randazzo-

Mrs. Randazzo also thanked all participants of recent events.

New Business:

Mr. Siegel-

Announced that the next workshop service will be held at the Sparrowbush Methodist Church on July 28th at 7:00pm.

Mrs. Trovei- No comment

Mr. VanHorn-

Mr. VanHorn announced his resignation from the Council due to professional reasons.

Mayor Decker accepted the resignation with regrets and thanked him for his service.

Mr. Foster-

Thanked Mr. VanHorn for his hard work and noted that he will be missed. Mr. Foster announced the 1st ward meeting will be held at Engine #5 firehouse on July 20th, 2017 at 6:30pm. He also asked the Council to consider installing a sink at Riverside Park.

Mr. Bavoso-

Thanked Mr. VanHorn for his service.

Mrs. Hendry- Absent

Mr. Belcher-

Thanked Mr. VanHorn for his service and noted that he was a good 2nd ward partner.

Mrs. Fitzpatrick-

Wished Mr. VanHorn good luck on all future endeavors.

Mrs. Randazzo-

Thanked Mr. VanHorn for his time spent on the Council. Mrs. Randazzo also noted that she is looking forward to future events and urges residents to get involved.

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Motion by Mrs. Randazzo seconded by Mr. Bavoso to approve Laurel Grove Cemetery Road to be closed on July 18th for film production.

AYE: 8 ABSENT: 1 NAYS: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

Public Comment-

No public comment

Meeting Adjourned –

Motion by Mr. Foster seconded by Mr. Siegel to adjourn the meeting at 8:30pm.

AYE: 8 ABSENT: 1 NAYS: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

Robin Waizenegger
Clerk Treasurer