Village of Johnstown
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, January 5, 2016

- Prior to the start of the Council meeting, the Honorable Gregory L. Frost administered the oath of office to swear in elected Council members Benjamin Lee, Lewis Main and Cheryl Robertson.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Sean Staneart Called to Order the Village of Johnstown Regular Council Meeting for Tuesday, January 5, 2016 at 6:31 p.m.

COUNCIL ROLL CALL: Lewie Main; present, Bill Van Gundy; present, Ben Lee; present, Sharon Hendren; present, Mayor Sean Staneart; present, Cheryl Robertson; present, Carol Van Deest; present.

IN ATTENDANCE – STAFF: Jim Lenner-Village Manager, Jack Liggett-Service Director, Dana Steffan-Finance Director, Newt Long-Service Department, Jim Blair-Zoning Inspector, Don Corbin-Police Chief, Josh Boudinot- Lt. Police Department, Teresa Monroe-Clerk of Council

IN ATTENDANCE – PUBLIC: Alice Main, Marianne Derenberger, Alex Beres, Jerry Pulley, Charles and Ruthanne Booher, Marla Kuhlman-This Week News, Ryan and Heather Green, Joseph Ethier, Marvin Block, Elizabeth Schwartz, Robert Roberts, Brian and Yvonne Rose

INVOCATION: Invocation given by Councilman Bill Van Gundy

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ELECTIONS: Mayor, Council President and Acting President

Mayor
Sean Staneart asked members to express any interest; Mr. Staneart said that he would like to retain the role of Mayor and there were no others that expressed interest.

MOTION: To nominate Sean Staneart for Mayor

Moved: Cheryl Robertson
Second: Sharon Hendren

Lewie Main;	Y
Bill Van Gundy;	Y
Ben Lee;	Y
Sharon Hendren;	Y
Sean Staneart	Y

Cheryl Robertson	Y
Carol Van Deest	Y

Pass 7-0

Council President
Sean Staneart asked members for interest; Mr. Van Gundy expressed interest.

MOTION: To nominate Bill Van Gundy for Council President

Moved: Sean Staneart
Second: Cheryl Robertson

Bill Van Gundy;	A
Ben Lee;	Y
Sharon Hendren;	Y
Sean Staneart	Y
Cheryl Robertson	Y
Carol Van Deest	Y
Lewie Main;	Y

Pass 6-0 with one abstention

Acting President
By charter rule, this position is to be filled by the longest serving Council member which is Sharon Hendren.

ACTION ON MINUTES: December 15, 2015

MOTION: To accept as written

Moved: Bill Van Gundy
Second: Sean Staneart

Ben Lee;	A
Sharon Hendren;	Y
Sean Staneart	Y
Cheryl Robertson	Y
Carol Van Deest	Y
Lewie Main;	A
Bill Van Gundy;	Y

Pass 5-0 with two abstentions

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Mayor Staneart opened the floor for Public Comment. There were no comments and Mayor Staneart closed the floor.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: To interview and consider the appointment of Planning and Zoning Commission members

MOTION: To enter into Executive Session with Council members and the three candidates on a one by one basis.

Moved: Sean Staneart
Second: Cheryl Robertson

Sharon Hendren;	Y
Sean Staneart	Y
Cheryl Robertson	Y
Carol Van Deest	Y
Lewie Main;	Y
Bill Van Gundy;	Y
Ben Lee;	Y

Pass 7-0 Start time: 6:36 pm End time: 7:33 pm

LEGISLATION

A. **RESOLUTION NO. 2016-01** A RESOLUTION APPOINTING BOARD MEMBERS TO THE PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION. *Introduction/Public Hearing/Vote*

Mayor Staneart said that Council would be appointing two seats to the Planning and Zoning Commission and there are three parties interested. Mayor Staneart asked for motions to appoint members.

MOTION: To appoint **Marvin Block** to the Planning and Zoning Commission

Moved: Sharon Hendren
Second: Cheryl Robertson

Public Hearing: Mayor Staneart opened the floor for public comments; there were no comments offered for or against and Mayor Staneart closed the floor.

Sean Staneart	Y
Cheryl Robertson	Y
Carol Van Deest	Y
Lewie Main;	Y
Bill Van Gundy;	Y
Ben Lee;	Y
Sharon Hendren;	Y

Pass 7-0

Mayor Staneart asked for a motion to appoint a second member to the Planning and Zoning Commission

MOTION: To appoint **Joe Ethier** to the Planning and Zoning Commission

Moved: Lewie Main
Second: Sean Staneart

Public Hearing: Mayor Staneart opened the floor for public comments; there were no comments offered for or against and Mayor Staneart closed the floor.

Cheryl Robertson	Y
Carol Van Deest	Y
Lewie Main;	Y
Bill Van Gundy;	Y
Ben Lee;	Y
Sharon Hendren;	Y
Sean Staneart	Y

Pass 7-0

Mayor Staneart thanked Ryan Green for his interest in applying.

B. RESOLUTION NO. 2016-02 A RESOLUTION TO APPOINT A VILLAGE LAW DIRECTOR, VILLAGE PROSECUTOR, VILLAGE ENGINEER, AND VILLAGE AUDITOR TO SERVE THE VILLAGE AND ITS' EMPLOYEES FOR THE YEAR 2016. *Introduction/Public Hearing/Vote*

Mr. Main requested that the resolution reflect a change in Mark Gardner's title to Village "Assistant" Prosecutor because the Charter states the Law Director shall also be the Village Prosecutor and Council appointing a separate prosecutor would make him an assistant to the Director of Law.

Mr. Lenner read the resolution as changed.

Public Hearing: Mayor Staneart opened the floor for public comments; there were no comments offered for or against and Mayor Staneart closed the floor.

MOTION: To approve as read

Moved: Lewie Main
Second: Sean Staneart

Carol Van Deest	Y
Lewie Main;	Y
Bill Van Gundy;	Y
Ben Lee;	Y
Sharon Hendren;	Y
Sean Staneart	Y
Cheryl Robertson	Y

Pass 7-0

C. RESOLUTION NO. 2016-03 A RESOLUTION SETTING APPOINTMENTS FOR MAYOR,PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL AND ACTING PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL, AND ESTABLISHING COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL AND SETTING COUNCIL MEMBER APPOINTMENTS TO THE PERSONNEL BOARD OF REVIEW THEREOF EFFECTIVE JANUARY 2016. *Introduction/Public Hearing/Vote*

After Council discussion on committee interests, appointments for Resolution 2016-3 were as follows:

Mayor	Sean Staneart
Council President	Bill Van Gundy
Acting President	Sharon Hendren
Finance Committee	Cheryl Robertson, Ben Lee, Lewie Main
Rules Committee	Lewie Main, Sharon Hendren, Sean Staneart
Safety & Service Committee	Bill Van Gundy, Sharon Hendren, Ben Lee
School District Liaison	Sean Staneart, Bill Van Gundy, Lewie Main Alternate-Ben Lee

Personnel Board of Review appointee is Sean Staneart

Public Hearing: Mayor Staneart opened the floor for public comments; there were no comments offered for or against and Mayor Staneart closed the floor.

MOTION: To approve as written

Moved: Bill Van Gundy
Second: Carol Van Deest

Bill Van Gundy;	Y
Ben Lee;	Y
Sharon Hendren;	Y
Sean Staneart	Y
Cheryl Robertson	Y
Carol Van Deest	Y
Lewie Main;	Y

Pass 7-0

D. RESOLUTION 2016-04 A RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO APPROPRIATE RIGHT-OF-WAY, PERMANENT EASEMENTS AND TEMPORARY EASEMENTS FOR THE JERSEY STREET IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT. *Introduction/Public Hearing/Vote*

Mr. Lenner expressed appreciation to Zoning Inspector Jim Blair for the leg work in helping the Law Director contact residents and complete their paperwork. These easements and right of ways are small slivers of property on or about Jersey Street that will allow improvements including drainage, sidewalk, and road reconstruction. This resolution notifies of intent to begin the legal process of eminent domain for property owners with whom negotiations are not successful. Approval of this resolution is necessary in order to begin construction in the spring as planned.

Mr. Main asked if this action would cause any of the properties to fall out of code as far as setback goes. Mr. Lenner said that has not been evaluated but he could confirm before the next resolution for action on the appropriation of right-of-way.

Public Hearing: Mayor Staneart opened the floor for public comments; there were no comments offered for or against and Mayor Staneart closed the floor.

MOTION: To approve Resolution 2016-04

Moved: Carol Van Deest
Second: Cheryl Robertson

Ben Lee;	Y
Sharon Hendren;	Y
Sean Staneart	Y
Cheryl Robertson	Y
Carol Van Deest	Y
Lewie Main;	Y
Bill Van Gundy;	Y

Pass 7-0

E. ORDINANCE 01-2016 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE EDITING AND INCLUSION OF CERTAIN ORDINANCES AS PARTS OF THE VARIOUS COMPONENT CODES OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF JOHNSTOWN, OHIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.
Introduction/Public Hearing/Vote

Mr. Lenner said that a variation of this is passed every year; ordinances that have been passed need to be included in the Codified Ordinances of Johnstown as well as any updates to State law.

Public Hearing: Mayor Staneart opened the floor for public comments; there were no comments offered for or against and Mayor Staneart closed the floor.

MOTION: To approve Ordinance 01-2016

Moved: Cheryl Robertson
Second: Lewie Main

Sharon Hendren;	Y
Sean Staneart	Y
Cheryl Robertson	Y
Carol Van Deest	Y
Lewie Main;	Y
Bill Van Gundy;	Y
Ben Lee;	Y

Pass 7-0

OTHER BUSINESS

1. Finance Director Dana Steffan announced that Johnstown is now participating in Open Checkbook through the State of Ohio Treasurers office. The program is now live at

Johnstown.ohiocheckbook.com where the last five years of village expenditures may be viewed by the public.

2. Discussion on forming a Park and Recreation Committee, to possibly include representatives from Council, Downtown Johnstown Inc., Johnstown Monroe Schools, Johnstown Youth Athletic Association, Monroe Township, and Licking County Parks.

3. Planning and Zoning Chairman Marvin Block said that he would like for the Zoning Commission to meet with Village Council quarterly.

4. Resident discussed safety for school children at crosswalks, specifically at Edwards Road, Maple Street, and at Leafy Dell. There are signs but no marked walk; resident believes that ODOT will allow marking the walk on the roadway if curb ramps are installed. Service Director was asked to price out and investigate the cost.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before Council, Mr. Main moved to adjourn, Ms. Robertson seconded and roll call was as follows:

Sean Staneart;	Y
Cheryl Robertson	Y
Carol Van Deest	Y
Lewie Main;	Y
Bill Van Gundy;	Y
Ben Lee;	Y
Sharon Hendren;	Y

Pass 7-0

Thereupon, the meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

Teresa Monroe, Clerk of Council

APPROVED AS PRESENTED

Mayor Sean Staneart