



Regular Council
Tuesday, April 16, 2024 - 6:30 PM
MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Mayor Donald Barnard called to Order the City of Johnstown Regular Council Meeting for April 16, 2024 at 6:39 PM.

2. Roll Call

Present - Mayor Donald Barnard, Tiffany Hollis, Jeff Barr, Ryan Green, Wesley Kobel, Dave Selan, Bob Orsini
Absent - None

Staff present - Sean Staneart - City Manager, Dave Delande - Finance Director, Teresa Monroe - Clerk of Council

Public present - Patch Wetzel, Susan Glynn, Chris Block, Ashley Block, Maddox Block, Hudson Block, Terri Fetters, Nick Shaner, Andrea Ford, Michael Salvadore, Nick Hubbell

3. Invocation - Pastor Nick Shaner, Johnstown Shepherd Church

4. Pledge of Allegiance

Prior to the pledge, Mayor Barnard said that this week is Ohio Military Family Week, it is a week to honor our military families, specifically our active duty families, especially ones deployed. He said that deployed military members spend a lot of time away from their families, and it can be tough. He said tonight he has invited Ashley, Maddox and Hudson Block to lead the pledge. Mayor Barnard thanked the family for their service.

5. Action on Minutes

a. April 4, 2024

ACTION: Bob Orsini moved to approve as written; Jeff Barr seconded and the vote was as follows:

AYES: Bob Orsini, Jeff Barr, Ryan Green, Tiffany Hollis, Mayor Barnard, Wesley Kobel, Dave Selan

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

Passed 7 - 0

6. Approval of Agenda

ACTION: Jeff Barr moved to approve as written; Tiffany Hollis seconded and all were in favor.

AYES: Jeff Barr, Ryan Green, Tiffany Hollis, Donald Barnard, Wesley Kobel, Dave Selan, Bob Orsini

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

Passed 7 - 0

7. Citizen comments on matters not on the agenda

1. Patch Wetzel & Susan Glynn - OK Foundation

- Patch Wetzel said she is a Johnstown parent and her boys were raised in Johnstown. Susan Glynn said they have started the OK Foundation for suicide prevention, she stated that Ms. Wetzel's son unfortunately took his own life almost a year ago, he was in the Navy. The foundation will hold its inaugural event in Johnstown; OK means it will be "Ok" and also stands for Zero Kilometers, it is not a running event, it is an event where all will gather together and the banner will go over them at the finish line. The event will be May 18th 9am - Noon, by the American Legion, they will coordinate with the Legion and their pancake breakfast (8am - 10 am). They will be fundraising and part of the funds raised will go to local, state and national entities.

8. Council Committee reports

- a. **Planning & Zoning:** Met 4/9/24; Next 4/23/24 @ 6:30 pm Council Chambers
Jesse Coppel was nominated as the Chair, Ryan Green as Vice-Chair. The commission heard an appeal application for a laundromat in the downtown which was denied.
- b. **Design Review Board:** 4/9/24 canceled; Next 4/23/24 @ 5:00 pm Council Chambers
- c. **Finance:** 4/16/24; Next 5/7/24 @ 5:00 pm Admin conference room
Spent a great deal of time speaking about the tax update.
- d. **Safety & Service:** Next 5/7/24 @ 5:45 pm Admin conference room

9. Director Reports

- a. Police Chief
Director report included with the packet, no questions from council.

Mr. Barr noted the amount of paper and ink used to print the packets and the director's reports, discussion on what data is really needed in this report. Topic forwarded to the Safety & Service committee for discussion. Consensus that the director reports will still be included digitally but not printed with packets, some members expressed that they do not need anything printed.
- b. City Manager
Manager report included in the packet, Mr. Staneart highlighted items within and answered questions from council members. Mr. Barr asked that at the next Safety & Service committee, members are provided with a high level report of what code enforcement does.

10. Tabled Legislation

- a. **RESOLUTION 2024-14** A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE PROPOSED COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AS PRESENTED. Tabled April 4, 2024
The Comprehensive Plan has been forwarded to the Planning and Zoning Commission by council for review; timeline discussed. The plan is still open for P&Z and Council comments and edits. Jeff Barr said that he wanted to bring one up publicly since they are all present;

he said he appreciates the Mayor's introductory message at the beginning of the document but he feels like this message should be from all of council, not a single position. Some discussion on other acknowledgments in the document. Council consensus is to review the letter, make any edits desired and have it be from the full council.

Resolution to adopt the plan remains tabled.

11. Public Hearings of Legislation

- a. **RESOLUTION 2024-15** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION ROAD SALT CONTRACTS AWARDED IN 2024

This is the annual purchase of road salt for the city, bids are handled through ODOT.

ACTION: Bob Orsini moved to pass resolution 2024-15; Jeff Barr seconded, and the vote was as follows:
AYES: Bob Orsini, Jeff Barr, Ryan Green, Tiffany Hollis, Mayor Barnard, Wesley Kobel, Dave Selan
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

Passed 7 - 0

- b. **RESOLUTION 2024-16** A RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE DESIGN GUIDELINES STEERING COMMITTEE

The Chair of the Design Review Board, Heather Green, came to council with a suggestion that, instead of creating a new steering committee, that council appoint the members of the Design Review Board to be the Design Guidelines steering committee, after consideration, the council was in agreement. This is the committee that will help to enhance the city's design guidelines. Mr. Staneart said the city is waiting on a formal proposal for council to review, the design guidelines currently on the books have been a point of frustration through a lot of conversations over the last year, council has generally discussed reworking and adopting a new document that is more user friendly. Mr. Staneart said that MKSK does this, they have all the right tools and resources and council has asked them to do it. Part of the function is creating a steering committee that would give feedback on some of the design requirements they are giving. The Design Review Board will ultimately be the board that has to work through the document which has been created.

ACTION: Dave Selan moved to pass Resolution 2024-16 as written; Wesley Kobel seconded and the vote was as follows:
AYES: Dave Selan, Bob Orsini, Jeff Barr, Ryan Green, Tiffany Hollis, Mayor Barnard, Wesley Kobel
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

Passed 7 - 0

12. Introduction of Legislation - None

13. Other Business

1. Mayor Barnard said the council will potentially have multiple Executive Sessions at the next meeting with the township trustees and for water.
2. Mr. Green highlighted upcoming weekend events, the American Legion pancake breakfast, JYAA opening for spring sports, and the Johnstown Quarter Auction.
3. Mr. Barr added that JYAA held a Belt Park cleanup and organization of storage, there were multiple volunteers, publicly he wanted to thank the Board President Monica, and those who came out to help.
4. Mayor Barnard said he wanted to publicly congratulate his daughter and now husband on their marriage this past weekend.

14. Adjourn

ACTION: Bob Orsini moved to adjourn; Jeff Barr seconded and all were in favor.
AYES: Jeff Barr, Ryan Green, Tiffany Hollis, Donald Barnard, Wesley Kobel, Dave Selan, Bob Orsini
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

Passed 7 - 0

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm

Next Council Meeting May 7, 2024