

**Connellsville City Council
Minutes
November 15, 2016**

This regular meeting of the Connellsville City Council was held this evening at 6:00 PM at City Hall, Connellsville, PA. Attending this meeting was Mayor Lincoln, Council members Keedy, Karpiak, Tzan and McIntire. Also attending was City Clerk Ohler and Solicitor Witt.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND MOMENT OF SILENCE:

Reminder of the procedures for public participation during City Council meetings.

REMARKS FROM VISITORS/PUBLIC COMMENTS:

John Malone, Carnegie Free Library Financial Reports, Budgets and Items. He requests City Council does not cut the funding to the Carnegie Free Library.

Chuck Hubble, Polio Pennies

CITY TREASURER'S REPORT: Absent

CITY CONTROLLER'S REPORT: Absent

CORRESPONDENCE:

Bruce I Jaynes, Resignation letter, effective December 31, 2016

Resolution No. 11-1-2016: "To accept the resignation letter from Bruce I Jaynes, City Treasurer, effective December 31, 2016."

Mayor Lincoln thanked Bruce Jaynes for stepping up to the role and helping the City out when needed. He also stated he understands his reasoning and wishes him the best. A vote upon the adoption of the resolution resulted as follows: Affirmative were Councilmembers Tzan, Keedy, Karpiak and McIntire and Mayor Lincoln. The majority of the votes being affirmative, the resolution was adopted.

REGULAR AGENDA:

Resolution No. 11-2-2016: "To approve the minutes from the October 18, 2016, 2016 City Council Meeting."

A vote upon the adoption of the resolution resulted as follows: Affirmative were Councilmembers Tzan, Keedy, Karpiak and McIntire and Mayor Lincoln. The majority of the votes being affirmative, the resolution was adopted.

Resolution No. 11-3-2016: "To waive the 4-day Resolution Rule to allow for items submitted after the 4-day rule to be read at the meeting tonight, such Resolutions will be marked with an asterisk."

A vote upon the adoption of the resolution resulted as follows: Affirmative were Councilmembers Tzan, Keedy, Karpiak and McIntire and Mayor Lincoln. The majority of the votes being affirmative, the resolution was adopted.

MAYOR LINCOLN:

Police Department Report

Mayor Lincoln noted his thoughts and prayer are with Canonsburg and the shooting victims' families.

Mayor Lincoln stated the Rotary Club is having a fundraiser on December 11th, Paint and Sip; this is to replace the dash cams in the Police Department Vehicles. He noted they are \$30 per ticket.

Resolution No. 11-4-2016: "To ratify and enter into a three-year collective bargaining agreement with the Connellsville Police Officers' Association. The changes to the current Collective Bargaining Agreement for said 3-year Collective Bargaining Agreement shall be described in Exhibit A, attached hereto and incorporated herein."

Mayor Lincoln thanked the union for holding the meetings, noting he is glad they have it completed.

A vote upon the adoption of the resolution resulted as follows: Affirmative were Councilmembers Tzan, Keedy, Karpiak and McIntire and Mayor Lincoln. The majority of the votes being affirmative, the resolution was adopted.

Resolution No. 11-5-2016: "To promote Andy Hominsky to Corporal effective December 1, 2016."

Mayor Lincoln complimented Andy Hominsky, noting his assurance he can do the job well and continue to climb the ladder in the department.

A vote upon the adoption of the resolution resulted as follows: Affirmative were Councilmembers Tzan, Keedy, Karpiak and McIntire and Mayor Lincoln. The majority of the votes being affirmative, the resolution was adopted.

REMINDERS:

Recycling is November 16th, 29th and 30th and December 13th, 14th, 27th and 28th
Mayor Lincoln requested all residents recycle, noting it helps with Recycling Grants.
He also announced it is an ordinance in the City that residents must put their garbage in cans.

November 24th and 25th, City Hall Offices will be closed

November 26th, Children are invited to decorate the City Hall Christmas Tree, 9 AM – Noon

Mayor Lincoln stated the 26th is support your local businesses day. He stated we are very fortunate to have the local businesses that the City has.

Mayor Lincoln announced on Thanksgiving Day, City Church will be at the Senior Center making and serving Thanksgiving Dinner. He requested residents contact the church to make a donation.

December 3rd, Christmas Parade, 5:05 PM

December 3rd, Light Up Night

December 3rd and 4th, It's a Connellsville Christmas

December 10th, St. Rita's Cookie Sale, Bucci Hall on South 1st Street, Doors open at 9 AM

December 10th, Dr. Who Club at Carnegie Library, 3 PM – 4 PM

December 26th, City Hall Offices will be closed

Mayor Lincoln stated the Community Center is having a movie at the Porter Theater, "Finding Dorie" on December 3rd. He noted it is free and Armstrong is the sponsor.

Mayor Lincoln stated on December 5th is a Spaghetti Fundraiser for the plaza outside of City Hall.

Mayor Lincoln stated the Chamber of Commerce has the kids from the Vo-Tech redoing the Christmas lights that will go on the polls. He thanked the Chamber for taking this task, noting it will cost over \$10,000 to do this.

KEEDY:

Resolution No. 11-6-2016: "To introduce Bill No. 3 of 2016, AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE SALARIES PAYABLE BY THE CITY OF CONNELLSVILLE FOR THE VARIOUS POSITIONS ENUMERATED HEREIN FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2017, AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT HERewith."

A vote upon the adoption of the resolution resulted as follows: Affirmative were Councilmembers Tzan, Keedy, Karpiak and McIntire and Mayor Lincoln. The majority of the votes being affirmative, the resolution was adopted.

Resolution No. 11-7-2016: "To introduce Bill No. 4 of 2016, An Ordinance of the City of Connellsville, County of Fayette, and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, fixing the real estate tax rate and residence tax rate for all city purposes for the fiscal year 2017, and repealing all ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith."

A vote upon the adoption of the resolution resulted as follows: Affirmative were Councilmembers Tzan, Keedy, Karpiak and McIntire and Mayor Lincoln. The majority of the votes being affirmative, the resolution was adopted.

Resolution No. 11-8-2016: "To introduce Bill No. 5 of 2016, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CONNELLSVILLE, FAYETTE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, SHOWING THE ESTIMATED RECEIPTS, EXPENDITURES, AND LIABILITIES OF EVERY KIND FOR ALL THE FUNDS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017 WITH THE BALANCE OF UNEXPENDED APPROPRIATIONS AS

THE BASIS FOR FIXING THE LEVY AND TAX RATE FOR SAID FISCAL, YEAR APPROPRIATING THE VARIOUS AMOUNTS SHOWN AS PROPOSED EXPENDITURES HEREIN FOR THE EXPENSES OF THE CITY FOR SAID FISCAL YEAR FROM THE REVENUE AVAILABLE FOR SAID FISCAL YEAR FOR THE DEPARTMENTS, BUREAUS, AND SPECIFIC PURPOSES SET FORTH HEREIN, AND THE REPEALING OF ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT HEREWITH.”

Mayor Lincoln thanked the City Clerk, Councilman Keedy and Cassie and Joyce. Everyone worked hard to put this together.

Could not make out what Councilman Keedy stated.

A vote upon the adoption of the resolution resulted as follows: Affirmative were Councilmembers Tzan, Keedy, Karpiak and McIntire and Mayor Lincoln. The majority of the votes being affirmative, the resolution was adopted.

KARPIAK:

Councilman Karpiak stated working on this year’s budget was the smoothest and easiest he has ever seen.

Public Works Report

Councilman Karpiak reminded residents when it snows the City reverts to the parking on odd even sides of the street. He noted this allows for the snow plow to make it up and down the streets.

Mayor Lincoln thanked the Street Department for their work during the winter storms.

TZAN:

Councilwoman Tzan announced the parks are closed for the winter.

Councilwoman Tzan announced the Recreation Board needs members.

Mayor Lincoln stated the Recreation Board is an active and fun board.

MCINTIRE:

**Health/Code Officer Report
New Haven Hose Report**

Councilman McIntire thanked New Haven Hose for their service to the City of Connellsville. He also announced a fundraiser going on for them.

Resolution No. 11-9-2016: “This this meeting of City Council does hereby adjourn.”

A vote upon the adoption of the resolution resulted as follows: Affirmative were Councilmembers Tzan, Keedy, Karpiak and McIntire and Mayor Lincoln. The majority of the votes being affirmative, the resolution was adopted.

