

**Connellsville City Council
Minutes
May 17, 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, Tzan, Karpiak 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:

Robert Ruck, Baseball field on the west side

Cheryl Craven, Garden Club renovation of park by library

Chuck Hubble, Fundraiser – Pennies for Polio

Cecilia Driscoll, Discussed harassment in the City

Susie Coleman, Neighbors against certain properties in the City. She turned in a petition against neighbors.

Numerous comments from the audience were made.

CITY TREASURER JAYNES REPORT:

Thanked everyone for clean-up day

CITY CONTROLLER BROOKS REPORT:

CORRESPONDENCE:

New Haven Hose, Flag Display Project

Resolution No. 5-1-3016: "To sign a contract with New Haven Hose for the display of two flags at a cost of \$80.00; flags to be displayed in front of City Hall and the Police Department on ten (10) holidays."

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

Connellsville Area School District, South Side Fun Day

Resolution No. 5-2-2016: "To close Race Street from Newmyer Avenue to Davidson Avenue on Tuesday, May 31, 2016 for South Side Elementary School's annual Fun Day; pending review and approval of Police Chief and Fire Chief."

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

Greater Connellsville Chamber of Commerce, Flower barrels

Resolution No. 5-3-2016: "To purchase a flower barrel from the Connellsville Area Chamber of Commerce at a cost of \$25.00 and to be placed in front of City Hall; Money to be taken from line item #409.250."

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

Diocese of Greensburg, Bishop Malesic to conduct a Eucharistic Procession

Resolution No. 5-4-2016: "To authorize the Police Department to provide traffic control on May 29, 2016 for Bishop Malesic to conduct a Eucharistic Procession that will travel between three Roman Catholic Churches in Connellsville."

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

VFW Post 21, Buddy Poppy Campaign, May 27th and 28th

Resolution No. 5-5-2016: "To allow VFW Post 21 Ladies Auxiliary, permission to hold their annual "Buddy Poppy Campaign" in the City of Connellsville."

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

Cathy Kumor, Yoga on the Yough

***Resolution No. 5-6-2016:** "To grant permission to Cathy Kumor to hold Yoga on the Yough on Saturday mornings at 9 AM beginning June through early September 2016."

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

Letter was read from Ms. Coleman, Nuisance Ordinance added to Landlord Ordinance with Twenty – Nine (29) signatures.

Police Department Report

REGULAR AGENDA:

Resolution No. 5-7-2016: "To approve the minutes from the April 19, 2016 City Council Meeting."

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

Resolution No. 5-8-2016: "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 McIntire, Keedy, Tzan and Karpiak and Mayor Lincoln. The majority of the votes being affirmative, the resolution was adopted.

MAYOR LINCOLN:

Resolution No. 5-9-2016: "To enter into agreement with The Redevelopment Authority of Fayette County, and its guidelines for the Local Share Account (LSA) funding, for the approved Traffic Signal Reconstruction Project for the City of Connellsville."

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

Resolution No. 5-10-2016: "To place out for bid a 1998 Jeep Cherokee and a 2001 Jeep Cherokee, both vehicles will be sold in as is condition. All bids must be accompanied by a check for 10% of the bid price. Bids will be accepted up until 4 pm on June 20, 2016."

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

Resolution No. 5-11-2016: "To grant The Greenhouse Winery permission to close off the 100 block of North Second St. on Saturday September 3, 2016 for an outside event they are hosting."

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

REMINDERS:

Yoga classes throughout May at Highlands Hospital Wellness Center

Carnegie Library has much to offer for the upcoming months. For a complete list, contact the library at 724-628-1380

May 20th, Classic Car and Bike Show, Career and Technical Center, 4 PM – 8 PM, Food / Music / 50/50 and Prizes

May 24th, Daily Courier Open House, 6 PM – 8 PM, talk to the journalists responsible for covering our City's events and ongoing progress

May 28th, Geranium Festival from 9 AM – 4 PM

May 29th, Golden Reunion, East Park, 1 PM – 4 PM

May 30th, Memorial Day Parade at 10 AM

June 5th, Conn-Area Catholic School is holding their 19th Annual Golf Outing on Sunday, June 5th at Donegal Highlands Golf Course.

June 9th, Bud Murphy's Race

June 13th, Kid Fest for the blind, Lions Club/Bud Murphy's at Murphy Hall, 5 PM – 9 PM, Free admission – donations accepted, Chinese Auction (baskets being accepted). Call Jim Stefano at 724-277-8374

Connellsville Area Community Ministries is running low on food. To donate, drop food off at the Ministries at 110 West Crawford Avenue

July 2nd, Farmers Market will open. Downtown Connellsville website to be involved.

KEEDY:

Resolution No. 5-12-2016: "To transfer money from the School Safety Patrol into the Connellsville Police Officers Association Account."

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

Resolution No. 5-13-2016: "To hire Cassie Calkins as Bookkeeper for the City of Connellsville, Salary and Benefits to be dictated by the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City and the United SteelWorkers of America, Administrative Union. Salary to be taken from line item 402.140.

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

Resolution No. 5-14-2016: "To hire Becky Irwin as Part Time Tax Clerk for the City of Connellsville, Salary will be \$7.25/Hr., for twenty-four (24) hours per week, with money coming from line item 403.144. Six months of wages will be paid by the City and the other six months to be paid by the Connellsville Area School District.

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

Resolution No. 5-15-2016: "To enter into agreement with the Connellsville Area School District for reimbursement of all Wages, Benefits, Supplies and Expenditures, for the purpose of collecting taxes for the school district through the City of Connellsville Tax Office."

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

KARPIAK:

Public Works Report

Karpiak stated that Bradley Paint's parking lot looks good. He also mentioned paving will be starting.

Mayor Lincoln reminded everyone if they want to rent a pavilion at one of the parks to do it now because weekends are booking quickly.

TZAN:

Tzan discussed the following:

Summer camp lasts 6 weeks

Movies at East Park with the first movie being Frozen

Rib Fest T-Shirts available, Rib Fest is August 6th and will last through the day

Rock the Yough

Mayor Lincoln asked for sponsors of Rock the Yough

The following resolution was on the agenda, but not read:

Resolution No. 5-16-2016: To enter into a "Memorandum of Understanding/Agreement", between the City of Connellsville and the Connellsville Garden Club for Clarifications and Responsibilities for the Cameron Court property and proposed project brought forth by the Garden Club."

The resolution was tabled for further information.

MCINTIRE:

Health/Code Officer Report

Complimented New Haven Hose for a job well done with their Neon Nights Race

McIntire discussed the following:

Dog tethering

Recycling

Zina Virus

Tom Currey stated the Fayette County Hard To Recycle Event is June 4th at the Fayette County Fair Grounds from 9 AM – 2 PM

Resolution No. 5-17-2016: "This this meeting of City Council does hereby adjourn."

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