# Connellsville City Council MINUTES MAY 16, 2023

This meeting of the Connellsville City Council was held this evening at 5:00 PM. Attending this meeting was Council members Karpiak, Keedy, Topper and Tiberio and Mayor Lincoln. Also attending was City Clerk Ohler and Solicitor Witt.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND MOMENT OF SILENCE: Invocation led by Rev. Matt Goldsberry

## **REMARKS FROM VISITORS/PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Mayor Lincoln reminded the audience there is a three-minute limit for Public Comment.

John Salatino stated that he wants to request council change an ordinance regarding fencing. He stated he wants to put a fence up but is considered a corner lot therefore has two front yards. He added the fence would not obstruct anyone's view but I cannot have a 6-foot fence in my front yard. Mr. Salatino stated that anyone in Connellsville that wants a 6-foot privacy fence in their corner lot, front yard, cannot put it up. He added the way this ordinance is written; we cannot do that. He stated he hired an attorney to write everything up, but does not have it with him this evening, noting he will have it for next meeting.

Mayor Lincoln requested he bring it in to the City Clerk as soon as he gets it so Council and the City Attorney can look it over before the next meeting.

Mr. Salatino stated he has neighbors present in the audience that all own corner lots that have the same problem. He also added he started a petition and has obtained a lot of signatures. He explained he does not like the fact that if you live on a corner lot, you cannot have privacy and would like the ordinance changed.

Solicitor Witt stated the ordinance states a corner lot has two front lots. He continued the ordinance states, for fences in a front lot, they can only have a maximum of four feet height. Solicitor Witt stated it is common for municipalities to have that rule for corner lots. He stated he could submit the petition to the City and it would then go to the Planning Commission for review for comments and recommendations. He continued that he and City Council would review it after the Planning Commission and decide if they will formally prepare an amendment to that ordinance. Solicitor Witt stated that is standard with zoning, the amendment process. He then discussed a "curative amendment" and stated his initial opinion, just hearing what it is about is that it would not qualify for a curative amendment because it is not challenging the initial validity of the ordinance. He continued that the "curative amendment" is a different procedure. Solicitor Witt stated that once he has the petition together and turns it in to look at, they can go from there.

Mr. Salatino stated he has it with approximately 50 signatures.

Mayor Lincoln requested he turns it in with what his attorney has, all at one time.

Mr. Salatino requested that he can turn it in now.

Mayor Lincoln stated he could leave it if he prefers to.

Councilman Topper stated Mr. Salatino will bring in a proposed draft for the ordinance for City Council to look at.

Code Enforcement Officer, Tom Currey, explained "Even if it was a 6-foot fence in the front yard, even if you replace more than 50% of the value or measurements of your fence you need to bring it up to all current codes. This means if you have an existing 6-foot fence in your existing front yard and you tear it down for whatever reason and want to put another one up, you must become compliant with the existing codes. That means you must move that existing 6-foot existing fence back to a 2-story building plain or build a 4-foot fence. From the 2-story building plain- back would be your side yard or back yard and you could have a 6-foot fence there."

Mayor Lincoln spoke next, "We just had a wind storm that destroyed a lot of the south side. What happens if the wind were to take out his entire fence, what happens then?"

Tom Currey answered that he would have to become compliant with the existing zoning rules if over 50% of the value or 50% of the structure. He added he could put them all on hold if Council chooses to.

Councilman Karpiak stated he too lives on a corner lot and ran into this years ago, not being allowed to put a privacy fence up. He questioned Mr. Currey on how much lee-way is there to go from 6-foot down to 4-foot and back up to 6-foot for a line of sight within an intersection.

Tom Currey answered in the cases we are talking about, that is not an issue. He added that would not be a problem.

Someone from the audience questioned in this ordinance originated from the State of Pennsylvania.

Solicitor Witt answered this is not a State requirement and added the only thing at the State level is the municipalities Planning Code. He explained that defers to local municipalities or counties whatever is going to implement that to actual develop and enact their own Zoning Ordinance. He continued in those Zoning Ordinances, like Connellsville's, that is where we have that provision. Mr. Witt stated that while it is a common provision, it is not a mandated provision by the State and a decision of the local municipality. He continued there is "Sight Triangle" Rule that is State Mandated and would present an issue if it is Sight Triangle but front yard fencing is a local decision.

Mayor Lincoln requested Mr. Salatino bring in the item from his attorney.

Mr. Salatino stated he will have it turned in by the beginning of the week.

Tom Currey, Code Officer, questioned if he should hold off on enforcing the current and existing ordinance and if there should be a vote on that.

Solicitor Witt answered that would not require a vote.

John McCune, My Work Program, and John Miller, Department of Labor and Industry.

Mr. Miller spoke first via telephone. He stated the My Work Program began in 2018 and became statewide last year. He added they want to serve students in Fayette and Green Counties. Mr. Miller explained how the program works, noting there is no cost to the place the students work and there is Worker's Compensation Coverage.

Mayor Lincoln questioned if this program would be something that could help the senior citizens in Connellsville who cannot cut their grass or do their yard work and cannot afford to pay someone.

Mr. Miller replied yes, they can do that. He explained the program in further detail. He stated they can begin as early as June 19<sup>th</sup>.

John McCune stated since City Council feels comfortable with the program, he will be in contact with Vernon Ohler, City Clerk.

Steve Banasik aka Cyrus Gray Productions spoke next. He stated he has been working in radio with great success. He discussed past radio in the area and what it means to the community. He stated there is an opportunity to create a Connellsville community radio system here. He discussed the new business HUGS in town. Mr. Banasik stated the revitalization in Connellsville is more than impressive. He stated he would like to contact the FCC and see if they can rejuvenate and develop Connellsville into a community radio station with the original call letters of WCVI if council sees fit. He stated they will bring HUGS along because that is not going away. Mr. Banasik stated what he would like from City Council is to apply through the FCC for community radio. He added that it is a matter of time to do that, noting there is 90 days for this and 90 days for that. He further explained how the application works. He stated he would like to have the support of Council with a Letter of Request to apply for community radio within the Connellsville District. Mr. Banasik made it clear he is not looking for financial help from anyone. He added he wants to see what goes on the air back in the hands of the community.

Mayor Lincoln questioned Solicitor Witt what would need to be in the letter.

Solicitor Witt answered the City would need a formal written request for the letter of support along with a copy of the application and the letter would be a part of to be submitted with. He continued the City would want a draft template of what the letter should look like and then council would vote as to whether to issue the letter or not.

Mr. Banasik stated the FCC Application is about 19 pages long when you formally go through it. He continued that each of the steps are a 90-day waiting period.

Solicitor Witt again explained what all is needed for City Council to vote.

Mr. Banasik explained how it works on his end and what he needs.

Mayor Lincoln instructed Mr. Banasik to get what they need and stated at City Council's June meeting they will vote to support this.

**CITY TREASURER'S REPORT:** Absent

**CITY CONTROLLER'S REPORT: William Addis** 

#### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

Chamber of Commerce, Request for East Side Fire Station for Farmer's Market, Street closure request

**Resolution No. 5-1-2023:** "To grant permission to the Greater Connellsville Chamber of Commerce to use the East Side Fire Station from 3 PM until 7 PM on the following dates in 2023 for the Farmer's Markets: June 1<sup>st</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>, July 6<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>, August 3<sup>rd</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>, September 7<sup>th</sup>, and September 30<sup>th</sup> from 7 AM until 2 PM; further granting the closure of North Arch Street from Apple Street to Peach Street from 3 PM until 7 PM on all dates except September 30<sup>th</sup> which will be 7 AM until 2 PM; further granting permission for items listed on the Utilization Form; pending review and approval of Police Chief and Fire Chief."

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

Somerset Trust, 7th Annual Car Cruise, June 27, 2023, 5:30 PM to 10 PM, Street closure request

**Resolution No. 5-2-2023:** "To close North Seventh Street and the adjacent alley between St. John's Church and Somerset Trust from 5 PM - 10:30 PM on June 27, 2023 for Somerset Trust's Car Cruise/Concert; pending review and approval of Police Chief and Fire Chief."

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

# **REGULAR AGENDA:**

Resolution No. 5-3-2023: "To accept the minutes from the April 18, 2023 City Council Meeting."

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

**Resolution No. 5-4-2023:** "To waive the Four-Day Resolution Rule to allow for items submitted after the Four-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 Karpiak, Topper, Keedy and Tiberio and Mayor Lincoln. The majority of the votes being affirmative, the resolution was adopted.

Walter E. Brown, Post #21, Auxiliary to the VFW, Request to support and announce Buddy Poppy Day on May 29, 2023

**Proclamation:** VFW Buddy Poppy

CAHS Patriots, Warriors Rock Concert, CAHS, November 4, 2023, 7 PM

#### **MAYOR LINCOLN:**

Police Department Report

**Resolution No. 5-5-2023:** Bill No: 4 of 2023, Introduced: April 18, 2023, By: Mayor Greg Lincoln, Enacted: May 16, 2023, Ordinance No: 1573, **CITY OF CONNELLSVILLE, FAYETTE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA** 

An Ordinance of the City of Connellsville, Fayette County, Pennsylvania, amending Ordinance 1510 relating to burning within the City; to modify the permitted days and times for burning; repealing all inconsistent ordinances or parts thereof; and providing an effective date.

**WHEREAS,** the City Council of the City of Connellsville has determined that air pollution from open burning may be detrimental to the health, comfort, living conditions, welfare, and safety of the residents of the City of Connellsville; and

**WHEREAS,** the City Council of the City of Connellsville has determined that there is a substantial risk of public damage to life and property because of public and private nuisances caused by outdoor fires deliberately or carelessly set and maintained; and

**WHEREAS**, the Third-Class City Code, 53 P.S. § 37403(10), affords the City of Connellsville with the power "to regulate and control the production and emission of unnecessary smoke or fly-ash from any chimney or other source;" and

**WHEREAS,** the Third-Class City Code, 53 P.S. § 37403(11), affords the City of Connellsville with the power "to regulate or prohibit the manufacture, sale, storage, or transportation of inflammable or explosive substances within the city, and to regulate or prohibit dangerous, obnoxious, or offensive business within the city;" and

**WHEREAS,** the Third-Class City Code, 53 P.S. § 37403(16), affords the City of Connellsville with the power "to prohibit nuisances;" and

WHEREAS, the Third-Class City Code, 53 P.S. § 37403(69), affords the City of Connellsville the power to ensure "that fire and emergency medical services are provided within the city by the means and to the

extent determined by the city, including the appropriate financial and administrative assistance for these services;" and

WHEREAS, the Third-Class City Code, 11 Pa.C.S.A. § 12435, affords the City of Connellsville with the power "to enact, make, adopt, modify, repeal and enforce, in accordance with this part, ordinances, resolutions, rules and regulations not inconsistent with or restrained by the Constitution of Pennsylvania and laws of this Commonwealth that are either of the following: (1) Expedient or necessary for the proper management, care and control of the city and its finances and the maintenance of the peace, good government, safety and welfare of the city and its trade, commerce and manufactures; (2) Necessary to the exercise of the powers and authority of local self-government in municipal affairs;" and

**WHEREAS,** the City of Connellsville previously adopted Ordinance No. 1510 regulating burning within the City of Connellsville; and

**WHEREAS,** the City Council of the City of Connellsville desires to update its burning regulations to limit the number of days and times during which burning may occur within the City of Connellsville.

**BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED** by the City Council of the City of Connellsville, Fayette County, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and it is hereby enacted and ordained as follows:

- Amendment of Section 3(a) of Ordinance 1510 and Section 5-902(A) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Connellsville. The City Council hereby amends Section 3(a) of Ordinance No. 1510 and Section 5-902(A) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Connellsville, by deleting Section 5-902(A) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Connellsville in its entirety and replacing it with the following:
  - (a) "Permitted Times. Except as provided in Section 3(b) for certain recreational fires, open fires shall be permitted only during the following times:

Mondays Prohibited
Tuesdays Prohibited

Wednesdays 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Thursdays Prohibited Fridays Prohibited

Saturdays 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Sundays Prohibited"

**Section 2.** Severability. It is herein declared that the provisions of this Ordinance are severable, and if any provisions, portions, or sections of this Ordinance are declared to be illegal, invalid, or unconstitutional, the decisions of any Court, which makes declarations, shall not impair or affect any of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

**Section 3.** Repealer. Any ordinance or part of any ordinance that conflicts with the provisions of this ordinance is hereby repealed to the extent of any such conflict on the effective date of this ordinance.

**Section 4.** Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately.

This Ordinance is duly ORDAINED AND ENACTED by at least three members of the City Council of the City of Connellsville at a duly advertised public meeting held on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2023.

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

**Resolution No. 5-6-2023:** "To grant permission to the City Clerk to submit a USDA Forest Service Urban & Community Forestry IRA Grant on behalf of the City."

City Clerk Ohler stated this will improve the tree inventory and combat the invasive species the City has in some of the parks. They are happy with what we are doing in the community and they want to assist even more.

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

**Resolution No. 5-7-2023:** "TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CONNELLSVILLE, FAYETTE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF THE CONNELLSVILLE MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY."

Solicitor Witt explained that this is required for the Municipal Authority to expand and work with the City of Connellsville on garbage collection. He noted they have to amend their article of incorporation.

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

**Resolution No. 5-8-2023:** "To approve a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Connellsville and the Connellsville Municipal Authority Board for the responsibilities of the bidding and contractual obligations associated with garbage collection within the City of Connellsville; pending solicitor review and approval."

Mayor Lincoln explained the City is working hard to somewhat control the garbage rates. He added they are doubling and tripling all around the City. He noted the billing in house of the Municipal Authority taking this over should help reduce those costs. Mayor Lincoln thanked everyone working on this and stated that progress is being made. He informed the public the reason the City does not get good rates

is because the delinquency rate is very high. He stated the updated list from County Hauling is \$292,000 in delinquencies. Mayor Lincoln went in to detail of the bills. He stated with the billing being done by the Municipal Authority, they will have the powers to encourage people to pay their garbage bill on time. Mayor Lincoln thanked the Municipal Authority Board, noting Rod Gunderson has done a lot of work down there. He added he is hopeful they will get 3 or 4 bids on collecting the garbage and be able to move on.

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

**Resolution No. 5-9-2023:** "To purchase a 2017 Ford Interceptor Police Vehicle from Jim Shorkey Auto Group for the amount of \$18,900 with funds to be taken from the Special Investigations Account; and to authorize and direct the City Clerk and the Chief of Police to sign for all necessary paperwork for the purchase of the 2017 Ford Interceptor Police Vehicle."

Mayor Lincoln stated Car #40 will cost between \$9,000 to \$11,000 to repair. He continued that it was discussed that it would be foolish to spend that money to repair it when we planned to replace it next year. He added it is a demo vehicle with only 30,000 miles on it. Mayor Lincoln stated all the equipment from Car #40 can be put on this new vehicle. He stated the money will come from the Investigative Fund and not the budget.

Councilman Topper exited the meeting.

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

## The following resolution was tabled:

**Resolution:** "To form a Marketing Board for the City of Connellsville for promoting events, business, and other opportunities that the City has to offer. Board will consist of \_\_\_\_\_ members with terms running 5-years on a staggered system."

#### Reminders

Farmer's Markets,  $1^{st}$ , and  $3^{rd}$  Thursday of each month, 4 PM - 7 PM. Call Bonnie 724-570-8339 or Chamber at 724-628-5500

Connellsville's First Fridays, Shop Local, Facebook: Connellsville's First Fridays

Recycling Bins are still available, \$3.00, City Hall

May 20<sup>th</sup>, Garden Club's Geranium Fundraiser pick-up at East Side Fire Hall

May 21<sup>st</sup>, Facebook: "Youghness Monster 22 Paddlesports Race", 9 AM, Benefits New Haven Hose & KOA Kids Care Camp. Visit their Facebook Page for information and registration

May 29<sup>th</sup>, Memorial Day Parade, 10 AM, Thank you to the Veteran's Commission for hosting each year

Lion's Club concerts will begin at Lion's Square in June. Schedule to be released soon

June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>, General Braddock's Fish Club's Yough River Rally

June 4<sup>th</sup>, Del Sols at Lions Square Concert Series, 7 PM – 9 PM,

June 10<sup>th</sup>, Pride Fest, Yough River Park, 11 AM – 5 PM

June 17<sup>th</sup>, Juneteenth, East Side Fire Hall, and City Hall area, 11 AM – 6 PM, Music, basket raffle, food, craft vendors. Sponsored by the Diversity and Inclusion Board

June 17<sup>th</sup>, Hazardous Waste Chemical Collection, Fayette County Recycling Center, 9 AM – 1 PM, 724-430-4884 to register

June 25<sup>th</sup>, Friends Day at East Park, 1 PM – 4 PM, Alexandra 724-880-0139 for information. Mayor Lincoln added this is for any child in the county with special needs

July 1<sup>st</sup>, Connellsville Recreation Board and Festival Association, Red White and Boom Festival, Noon until 10 PM, Fireworks at 9:30 PM, North Arch Street

July 22<sup>nd</sup>, Special Needs Prom, New Haven Hose, 5 PM – 9 PM, You can donate a dress or tux by dropping it off to Shelley at City Hall or call Rita: 724-880-8281 or Kelly: 724-970-3609

July 22<sup>nd</sup>, Block Party at Yough River Park Pavilion #1 & Stage, 1 PM – 6 PM, Free

Connellsville Recreation Board will host numerous events throughout the year. Visit their Facebook Page: Connellsville Rec Board

Mayor Lincoln exited the meeting.

#### **KEEDY:**

**Resolution No. 5-10-2023:** "To approve the eligible list of active volunteers as submitted to the City of Connellsville, for tax credits under Act 172 and Ordinance #1533 of 2018 by "qualified Participants" Fire Chief."

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

**Resolution No. 5-11-2023:** "To enter into agreement with Certified Payments to allow for debit and credit card payments for City issued fees, permits, taxes, and merchandise; pending approval of fee structure."

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

**Resolution No. 5-12-2023:** "To extend the agreement with KeyTex Energy as the City's electric supplier commencing October 2023 and ending October 2025."

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

#### **COUNCILMAN KARPIAK:**

Health Officer's Report

Councilman Karpiak asked Code Officer, Tom Currey to let everyone know what they will receive if they do not cut their grass.

Tom Currey answered a Quality-of-Life Ticket for \$50. He added that 12 inches is the standard, meaning if it is over 12 inches, he will show up.

Councilman Karpiak asked how many warnings will he be giving for that.

Tom Currey answered zero.

Councilman Karpiak stated zero warnings and a ticket mean it is a good idea to cut your grass and pick your garbage up. He added they are more serious about this then in the past.

New Haven Hose Report by Bill Addis Fayette EMS Report

#### **COUNCILWOMAN TIBERIO:**

Public Works Report by Jim Bigam

**Resolution No. 5-16-2023:** "To open bids for the following items: 5' x 12' Utility Trailer, 5' x 8' Utility Trailer, Walk Behind Toro Mower, Ex Mark zero Turn Mower, John Deer Leaf Cart, Air Compressor, Gas Powered Airless Paint Sprayer, Gas Powered Paint Sprayer, 9 Foot Meyer Snow Plow, 2 – Cub Cadet Snow Blowers, 2 – Tamper Plates, Skid Steer .5 Cubic Yard Bucket, Skid Steer Street Sweeper Attachment, Gas Furnace."

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

**Resolution No. 5-17-2023:** "To accept the bid of Robert Cossell, Jr. in the amount of \$700.00 for the 5' x 12' Utility Trailer; sold as is."

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

**Resolution No. 5-18-2023:** "To accept the bid of Robert Cossell, Jr. in the amount of \$400.00 for the 5' x 8' Utility Trailer; sold as is."

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

**Resolution No. 5-19-2023:** "To accept the bid of Timothy Bishop in the amount of \$200.00 for the Walk Behind Toro Mower; sold as is."

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

**Resolution No. 5-20-2023:** "To accept the bid of Robert Cossell, Jr. in the amount of \$425.00 for the Ex Mark zero Turn Mower; sold as is."

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

**Resolution No. 5-21-2023:** "To grant the City Clerk permission to post all unsold equipment that was previously advertised on the Municibid site to sell."

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

Councilwoman Tiberio stated she would like to read another resolution that was added today.

Councilman Keedy asked for a motion to amend the agenda for consideration of a motion to hire an additional seasonal worker.

Councilman Karpiak seconded that motion.

All was in favor of the motion.

**Resolution No. 5-22-2023:** "To hire Bruce Giles as a seasonal worker for the Public Works Department; money to be taken out of line item 430.145."

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

**Resolution No. 5-15 -2023:** "To allow for the Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry in conjunction with the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation to perform an eight week "My Work Program" for the City of Connellsville at no cost to the City; Liability Insurance and supervision to be provided through the program."

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

#### **COUNCILMAN TOPPER:**

Councilman Topper had not returned to the meeting yet. Councilman Karpiak began his department.

To sign up for PE In the Park, Jason Bandemer at 724-433-9608. Mr. Karpiak read the schedule.

One Voice One Community, Summer Basketball League, John Woodruff Park, Begins June 5<sup>th</sup>, for information call or text Ed: 724-434-4942 or Damita: 724-970-3677. Mr. Karpiak read the flyer.

**Resolution No. 5-13-2023:** "To donate \$80 to New Haven Hose Volunteer Fire Department for two American Flags to be displayed at City Hall on eight holidays. Money to be taken from line item 409.266."

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

**Resolution No. 5-14-2023:** "To permit Jason Bandemer use of East Park for the 2023 season for PE In the Park; pending proof of Liability Insurance and fees."

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

**Resolution No. 5-23-2023:** "That this meeting of the City Council does hereby adjourn."

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