

**Connellsville City Council  
Minutes  
October 17, 2017**

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 Tzan, Keedy, Karpiak and McIntire. Also attending was City Clerk Ohler and Solicitor Witt.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND MOMENT OF SILENCE:** Rev. Goldsberry led invocation

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

**REMARKS FROM VISITORS/PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Sandra Morris and Cathy Kumor, Health In All Policies

Rev. Matthew Goldsberry, Noted he has come to love the City of Connellsville and the attitude

**CITY TREASURER'S REPORT:**

**CITY CONTROLLER'S REPORT:** Will resubmit due to Bookkeeper being on vacation

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Chamber of Commerce, Christmas Parade, Saturday, December 2, 2017 at 11 AM

**Resolution No. 10-1-2017:** "To close Leisenring, Marietta and Crawford Avenues and Eighth Street, North Seventh and Meason Streets, West Crawford Avenue and the intersections of Sixth through First Streets, West Crawford Avenue and Arch Street, West and East Crawford Avenues and North Pittsburgh Street, North Pittsburgh Street and Apple Street and North Arch Street and Apple Street on Saturday, December 2, 2017 for the Chamber of Commerce's Annual Christmas Parade at 11 AM; 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.

City Church, Married Couple's Bonfire request, Friday, October 20, 2017 from 6 PM - 10 PM

**Resolution No. 10-2-2017:** "To grant permission to City Church to build a small bonfire in the yard located between City Church and The Paint Room on Friday, October 20, 2017 from 6 PM until 10 PM. Bonfire is to be monitored and fully extinguished at the conclusion of the evening."

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.

CAHS Patriots, Veterans Luncheon, Saturday, November 4, 2017 at Noon and Wreaths Across America, wreath placement on December 16, 2017, \$15 per wreath

## **REGULAR AGENDA:**

**Resolution No. 10-3-2017:** “To approve the minutes from the September 19, 2017 City Council Meeting.”

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

**Resolution No. 10-4-2017:** “To approve the minutes from the September 26, 2017 City Council Meeting.”

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

**Resolution No. 10-5-2017:** “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 Keedy, Tzan, Karpiak and McIntire and Mayor Lincoln. The majority of the votes being affirmative, the resolution was adopted.

## **MAYOR LINCOLN:**

Police Department Report

Police Chief William Hammerle discussed the position of Detective/Lieutenant to be filled including the promotion process candidates went through. He noted he felt Thomas Patton would be the best fit for Detective/Lieutenant and he was on the top on the list from the Civil Service Board and scored the highest. Hammerle noted Patton is always very active in the Drug Task Force aside from his duties with the City.

**Resolution No. 10-6-2017:** “To promote Thomas Patton to the rank of Detective/Lieutenant effective November 1, 2017 for the Connellsville Police Department, wages set through the Collective Bargaining Unit of the Police Department.”

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

Proclamation, Business Women's Week, October 16-21, 2017

**Resolution No. 10-7-2017:** "To grant the City Clerk permission to enter into the Co-Stars Purchasing Agreement for fleet fuel purchases."

Mayor Lincoln stated this will save the City money

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

**REMINDERS:**

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month and Breast Cancer Awareness Month  
October 18th, Free Flu Shots, Wesley Health Center, 4 PM-7 PM, 724-626-2610  
October 20th, Breast Cancer Awareness Dinner, Canteen, 5:30 PM-7 PM, 724-626-2610  
October 25th, Deadline for Halloween Home Decorating Contest  
October 28th, Creep Fest/Rocky Horror Picture Show, Community Center & Porter Theater, 724.626.0300 for details (info. In folder)  
October 29th, Trick or Treat, 6 PM - 8 PM  
October 31st, New Haven Hose's Halloween Parade, 7 PM  
November 2nd, Connellsville's Ultimate Pizza, benefits Community Ministries (info in folder)  
November 4th, 11 AM - 2 PM, Chili Fest, Ticket \$10 at Connellsville Canteen, 724-603-2093  
November 4th, New Haven Hose Hoagie Sales  
November 4th, Carnegie Library Book Sale, 10 AM - 3 PM, Bag of books - \$7 & \$12  
November 5th, Daylight savings time ends at 2 AM. Turn clocks back 1 hour  
November 7th, Election Day  
November 10th, City Hall Closed  
November 11th, Veterans Day Parade, 11 AM, From W Crawford to Brimstone Corner left onto North Pittsburgh Street to the Veterans Memorial  
November 23rd and 24th, City Hall closed  
November 25th, Light Up Night  
December 2nd, Christmas Parade at 11 AM, West Crawford Avenue to North Pittsburgh Street to Apple Street to North Arch Street  
December 2nd and 3rd, Connellsville Christmas

Mayor Lincoln stated City Church does Thanksgiving Dinner at the Senior Center on Thanksgiving Day. He noted we will announce it soon and "They will be asking for donations of Turkey and all of the fixings."

**KEEDY:**

**Resolution No. 10-8-2017:** "To pay \$347,240.00 into the Police and Fire Fighter's Pension Plans in order to satisfy the 2017 Minimum Municipal Obligations (MMO), monies to be taken from General Fund Account. \$313,069.00 to be deposited in the Police Pension Plan and \$34,171.00 to be deposited in the Fire Fighter's Pension Plan."

Councilman Keedy stated this is done every year. He added he is happy to see the amount in the General Fund this year, noting that this time last year they were a little worried

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Councilman Keedy gave an update from Southwest Regional Tax Bureau

#### **KARPIAK:**

Public Works Report

Councilman Karpiak discussed the upcoming fall leaf pickup. He reminded residents to put them at the curb

Councilman Karpiak also discussed preparations for winter

Mayor Lincoln acknowledged and thanked the Street Department for all they do and what they did for the Tangled Up In Brew Event

#### **TZAN:**

Councilwoman Tzan announced Tangled Up In Brew was a success and thanked everyone for their help with the event, especially the Street Department. She noted over \$13,000 was raised

#### **MCINTIRE:**

Health/Code Officer Report  
New Haven Hose Report

Councilman McIntire thanked New Haven Hose for all they do each day

Councilman McIntire asked residents to not burn their leaves

Mayor Lincoln commends New Haven Hose for the ramp and hydrant at Yough Park

**Resolution No. 10-9-2017:** "That his meeting of City Council does hereby adjourn."

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