

CODE COMMITTEE
City of Port Jervis
Common Council Chambers
Wednesday, November 2, 2022 – 6:30pm

Committee Chairman: **Timothy Simmons**
Committee Members: **Stanley Siegel, Michael Decker, Elizabeth Miller**
Building Official: **David Rivera**
Fire Inspector: **Robert Brady**

Also Present:

Ms. Newhauser, Mrs. Mann, Mr. Foster, Mayor Decker, Clerk -Treasurer Quick,
Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Muller

Absent:

Elizabeth Miller & Robert Brady

Committee Chairman Simmons called meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Public Comment:

Clerk-Treasurer Laura Quick - Pertaining to the marijuana dispensaries, to increase revenue, we should embrace them, perhaps offer tax breaks, allow people to smoke inside. Also maybe not allow them to serve food but it can be purchased from other surrounding businesses, have it delivered and this increases those businesses sales as well.

Deputy Clerk –Treasurer Bobbie Jo Muller – Inquired about additional parking which was discussed at the previous meeting. How will this be addressed?

Mayor Decker – In reply, it is still in the discussion stage. He spoke about a possible trial of alternate side of the street parking and the pros and cons with that. Lifting off the street parking restrictions when weather is good will continue to be instituted. Things will remain status quo for the time being. This topic can be revisited later next year pending sales tax revenue (and funding for it) for possible space in “The Acre” area of the city along the railroad tracks.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion by Mr. Decker, seconded by Mr. Siegel to approve the October 5, 2022 Code Committee meeting minutes.

AYE: 3 ABSENT: 1 NAY: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

Public Hearing: None

Executive Session: None

New Business:

All 3 proposed local laws listed on tonight's agenda will be put on the agenda for the next common council meeting to set public hearings:

Consideration of local law regarding sidewalk replacement.
Consideration of local law regarding fire inspection fee collection.
Consideration of local law regarding peddling and soliciting within city limits.

Corporation counsel has drafts prepared. Mr. Simmons asked everyone to review them.

Old Business:

1. Cannabis store locations and licensing.
2. Motor vehicle repair shop requirements for opening.

Both of the above items are being worked on.

Mr. Siegel – pointed out many storage trailers full of food have been sitting on the Planet Health property for a few years. BO Rivera will address this. He will speak to Mr. Trovei who has rented those trailers out.

Maria Mann inquired about the dumpster on Pike Street. It will be moved and enclosed per Mr. Rivera.

Mayor Decker – Inquired about 69 Fowler Street and hole in roof. BO Rivera registered this as a vacant building and had the fee billed out. Also, Dunkin Donuts Roof drainage system is poor and problematic.

Building Officials Report:

Summary was given on number of searches, permits, violations, plumbing license issued, building construction inspections, etc.

Fire Inspector's Report:

Mr. Brady is not present, however October report was sent to council members.

Clerk-Treasurer, Laura Quick is set to meet with Mr. Brady regarding inspection billing tomorrow.

Public Comment:

None.

Adjournment:

Motion by Mr. Siegel, seconded by Mr. Decker to adjourn the meeting.

AYE: 3 ABSENT: 1 NAY: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

The next Scheduled Code Meeting: December 7, 2022 @ 6:30 pm – Council Chambers