

**STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF MARSHALL, CITY OF MOUNDSVILLE,
MARCH 2, 2004**

The Council of the City of Moundsville met in Regular Session in the Council Chambers on March 2, 2004 at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Dennis Wallace.

Invocation by Councilperson K. Mark Simms.

City Clerk called the roll and the following council persons were in attendance: DiRemigio, Lemasters, Oiler, Simms, Trussell, Ward and Wallace. Also present: City Manager Hendershot, Police Chief Kudlak, Fire Pvt. Ullom, Street Commissioner Richmond, Building Inspector Vickers, Attorney Thomas White, CPA Tom Dobbs and City Clerk Hewitt. Absent: Fire Chief Clarke.

MINUTES:

Regular Council Meeting of February 17, 2004.

Councilperson DiRemigio made a motion to accept and approve the minutes of the regular council meeting of February 17, 2004, seconded by Councilperson Ward. Motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL PUBLIC HEARING:

Schwendeman Agency Presentation.

Mark Schwendeman of Schwendeman Insurance Agency discussed with council the many benefits they have provided to the City of Moundsville and encouraged them to continue utilizing the Schwendeman Agency.

Armando Benincasa - Steptoe & Johnson - MS4 Permit.

Mr. Benicasa of Steptoe & Johnson discussed the MS4 Permit with council members.

OLD BUSINESS:

Other Items to be Discussed by Council.

Mayor Wallace announced that Rusty Wolfe of the Building Commission and the Fostoria Steering Committee will be meeting with Frank Calabrese on Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. to discuss matters concerning the Fostoria Glass Property.

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion and Approval of a Resolution Providing for a Spay and Neuter Assistance Program for Certain Pets of the Citizens of Moundsville, West Virginia.

Attorney White submitted a revised copy of the spay/neuter resolution for council's approval.

Councilperson DiRemigio made a motion to accept and approve the resolution concerning the Spay and Neuter Assistance Program, seconded by Councilperson Simms. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion and Approval of Payment to James Kelsh for the New Water Treatment Plant Project in the Amount of \$250.

Councilperson Simms made a motion to approve payment to James Kelsh for the new Water Treatment Plant Project in the amount of \$250, seconded by Councilperson Lemasters. Motion carried unanimously.

Other Items to be Discussed by Council.

Councilperson DiRemigio reported that AEP announced construction of a new addition to the Mitchell Plant which will be a tremendous economic impact on the citizens of Moundsville and Marshall County.

MANAGER ITEMS:

First Impressions Program.

Manager Hendershot announced that the application for the First Impressions Program has been submitted along with the \$500 cost. Council will be advised of any updates to the program.

Request from Wesley Park.

Paula Laws appeared before the Traffic Committee meeting to request the incorporation of their streets in Wesley Park into the city.

Thank You from Sherrard Jr High School.

Sherrard Jr High School sent a card of appreciation for Fire Chief Noel Clarke's presentation on fire safety.

WV Arts Council Wind Symphony Concert.

The WV Arts Council Wind Symphony Orchestra have offered to perform in the city on June 23, 2004 at a cost of \$7500 after a \$1000 grant. If council should agree to go ahead with this program, City Manager Hendershot will attempt to obtain outside funding.

Councilperson DiRemigio made a motion to authorize to enter into an agreement with the WV Arts Council for the Wind Symphony Orchestra in the amount of \$7500, seconded by Councilperson Simms. Motion carried unanimously.

Tourism Website.

Manager Hendershot advised that he has been attending monthly meetings at the Chamber of Commerce to promote tourism in Moundsville and Marshall County. One of the projects that is being worked on is establishing a website that would show all of the attractions in Marshall County. The City Manager asked that council donate \$200-\$300 to establish the website.

Council members authorized the City Manager to proceed with the projected tourism website.

Problem Gambling Awareness Week.

Footsteps Christian Counseling has asked that the City of Moundsville endorse Problem Gambling Awareness Week on March 8-12, 2004. The Problem Gambling Help Network offers free services to problem gamblers and their families.

Councilperson DiRemigio made a motion to endorse Problem Gambling Awareness Week on March 8-12, 2004, seconded by Councilperson Simms. Motion carried unanimously.

Parks & Recreation Appointment.

Manager Hendershot announced that the Parks & Recreation Board appointed Guadalupe Hewitt to fill the unexpired term of Bob Baker.

Councilperson DiRemigio made a motion to appoint Guadalupe Hewitt to fill the unexpired term on the Parks & Recreation Board, seconded by Councilperson Trussell. Motion carried unanimously.

MAYOR ITEMS:

* Mayor Wallace reported that a lot of debris has gathered at the south end of the new walking trail. City Manager is in the process of having the problem resolved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Discussion and Approval of Recommendations by the Finance Committee.

Councilperson Lemasters scheduled a Finance Meeting on Thursday, March 11, 2003 at 6:00 p.m.

Discussion and Approval of Recommendations by the Traffic Committee.

Councilperson DiRemigio scheduled a Traffic Meeting following the Finance Meeting.

Discussion and Approval of Recommendations by the Policy Committee.

Councilperson Simms scheduled a Policy Meeting following the Traffic Meeting.

COUNCIL ITEMS:

* **DiRemigio** - Reported the flags at the north entrance to Moundsville need replaced.

1 * **Lemasters** - Asked when the owners of the tree at 7th & Baker Avenue are going to have the tree
2 removed. At this time it is blocking the sidewalk? City Manager will follow up on the clean up.
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4 * **Oiler** - Reported the junk cars behind the billboard along Rt. 2 at the Transmission Shop. Manager
5 Hendershot advised this matter needs to be addressed at the Policy Meeting to review the city's
6 ordinance.
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8 * Asked if there has been any update on the list of properties that Moundsville Building Commissioner
9 Rusty Wolfe had compiled? City Manager advised that there are a lot of properties that the city owns
10 and only one parcel that he is not sure of.
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12 * Asked about the emulsion tank that the City Manager and Street Commissioner looked at. Manager
13 Hendershot advised that the tank could be purchased for \$2500 and delivered for \$2500.
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15 Councilperson Oiler made a motion to purchase the emulsion tank in the amount of \$2500 and \$2500
16 for delivery, seconded by Councilperson DiRemigio. Motion carried unanimously.
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18 * **Simms** - Received several complaints concerning the traffic lights on Jefferson Avenue. Manager
19 Hendershot advised that he and Police Chief Kudlak are aware of the problem and they are trying to
20 correct it.
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22 * Also, received a complaint about a junk yard on Western Avenue.
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24 * **Trussell** - Reported that kids are loafing inside the Fostoria Factory building.
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* **Ward** - Received complaints of vehicles parking on sidewalks on Tomlinson Avenue.

Councilperson Ward made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilperson Simms. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

Sondra J. Hewitt, City Clerk

Dennis Wallace, Mayor