

1 **STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF MARSHALL, CITY OF MOUNDSVILLE,**
2 **JUNE 7, 2005**

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4 The Council of the City of Moundsville met in Regular Session in the Council Chambers on June
5 7, 2005 at 7:00 p.m.

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7 Meeting was called to order by Mayor Ralph DiRemigio.

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9 Invocation by Councilperson Simms.

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11 City Clerk called the roll and the following council persons were in attendance: Lemasters,
12 Haynes, Oiler, Simms, Wallace, Ward and DiRemigio. Also present: City Manager Hendershot,
13 Police Chief Kudlak, Fire Chief Clarke, Street Commissioner Richmond, Building Inspector
14 Wise, Attorney Thomas White, CPA Thomas Dobbs and City Clerk Hewitt.

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16 **MINUTES:**

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18 **Regular Council Meeting of May 17, 2005.**

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20 Councilperson Oiler made a motion to accept and approve the minutes of the regular council
21 meeting of May 17, 2005, seconded by Councilperson Lemasters. Motion carried.

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23 **GENERAL PUBLIC HEARING:**

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25 * Sharon Scales, 16 N Highland Avenue, thanked the Street Department for painting the lines at
26 the intersection of Walnut Avenue & Highland Avenue the very next day after the council
27 meeting. Also asked if anyone is checking on the garage situation at 77 Walnut Avenue?

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29 Mayor DiRemigio accepted the "thanks" for the Street Department and assured Mrs. Scales that
30 the question at 77 Walnut Avenue is being looked into.

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32 * Linda Sills, 112 Ash Avenue, reported a swimming pool on Second Street being installed and
33 not following the Moundsville Code.

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35 Building Inspector Wise noted that he will make sure the residents follow city code.

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37 * Jack Cunningham, 516 Tenth Street, asked why citizen have only 5 minutes to speak at council
38 meetings. Mr. Cunningham apologized to Chief Kudlak concerning the speed study that he
39 performed on Tenth Street. Also asked if it is legal for 4 people to ride in the front seat of trucks.
40 If not, he saw 4 people get into a truck and pull onto Tenth Street in front of a police car.

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42 Chief Kudlak informed Mr. Cunningham that it is illegal to ride four in the front seat of a truck.

1 * Dave White, 406 Clinton Avenue, reported a neighbor behind his residence painting vehicles
2 and running a body shop. Also reported junk vehicles in back yards of residences.

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4 Chief Kudlak noted that officers have been working on the junk vehicle problem sending out
5 approximately 30 letters and high grass complaints approximately 20 letters.

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7 **OLD BUSINESS:**

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9 **Transfer Station for City of Moundsville.**

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11 Councilperson Simms discussed the possibility of the city purchasing their own transfer station
12 for the Sanitation Department. After some discussion, it was agreed that the City Manager will
13 collect information for Councilperson Simms.

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15 Mayor DiRemigio appointed Councilperson Haynes as chairperson to the "Transfer Station"
16 Committee and Councilperson Simms and Vice Mayor Wallace as members.

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18 **Vacant House on Second Street & Olive Avenue.**

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20 Councilperson Haynes reported that Will Groves purchased the house at Second Street & Olive
21 Avenue. He is going to tear the house down and sell the lot.

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23 **NEW BUSINESS:**

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25 **Discussion and Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the Incorporated Municipality of**
26 **Moundsville to Enter into a Cooperation Agreement to Participate in the Northern**
27 **Panhandle Home Consortium.**

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29 The Northern Panhandle Home Consortium is a six member jurisdiction that includes Hancock,
30 Brooke, Ohio, Marshall and the cities of Weirton and Wheeling. This a first time home buyers
31 program. There is no cost to the city or administration fee if the city agrees to participate.
32 Authorizing the resolution makes the program available to the citizens. This is a three year
33 renewal cycle which the city has participated in the past.

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35 Councilperson Simms made a motion to authorize the City Manager to enter into a cooperation
36 agreement for the Northern Panhandle Home Consortium, seconded by Councilperson Haynes.
37 Motion carried unanimously.

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39 **Discussion and Approval of Payment to James Kelsh for the new Water Treatment Plant**
40 **Project in the Amount of \$3,892.15.**

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42 Councilperson Ward made a motion to authorize payment to James Kelsh in the amount of
43 \$3,892.15, seconded by Councilperson Simms. Motion carried unanimously.

1 **Discussion and Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Enter Into a**
2 **Memorandum of Understanding with the AML on Behalf of the Moundsville Water Board.**

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4 Councilperson Haynes made a motion to table with this resolution until a later date, seconded by
5 Councilperson Simms. Motion carried unanimously.
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7 **Discussion and Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into a**
8 **Contract with the Health Plan of the Upper Ohio Valley.**

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10 The insurance program that is being provided to the city and its employees is an excellent
11 program. Manager Hendershot is not recommending the two tier program because the difference
12 in the cost between the point of service program that is being recommended and the old program
13 is so large that the difference could never be made up in the \$100 & \$200 deductible. The point
14 of service plan also carries unlimited drug coverage.
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16 After some discussion, Councilperson Lemasters made a motion authorizing the City Manager to
17 sign an agreement with the Health Plan of the Upper Ohio Valley, seconded by Councilperson
18 Lemasters.
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20 Mayor DiRemigio called for a roll call vote. City Clerk announced the following tally. Ward-
21 yea; Oiler-yea; Simms-nay; Haynes-yea; Lemasters-yea; Wallace-yea; DiRemigio-yea. 6 yeas, 1
22 nay. Motion carried.
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24 **Discussion and Approval of the Audit Assignment.**

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26 Councilperson Lemasters made a motion to request the State Auditors to perform the City of
27 Moundsville's 2004-2005 Audit, seconded by Councilperson Oiler. Motion carried
28 unanimously.
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30 **Discussion and Approval of Bids for the Purchase of a Street Sweeper.**

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32 Bids were received for an Elgin Street Sweeper with options in the amount of \$107,985 by A &
33 H Equipment. Councilperson Simms made a motion to accept the bid and request delivery of the
34 sweeper as soon as possible, seconded by Councilperson Haynes. Motion carried unanimously.
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36 Councilperson Lemasters asked Street Commissioner Richmond the estimated time frame of the
37 delivery. Mr. Richmond quoted 8-14 weeks. Mayor DiRemigio made a motion to rent a
38 sweeper until the delivery of the Elgin, seconded by Councilperson Simms. Motion carried
39 unanimously.
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41 **Discussion and Approval of the Appointment to a Vacancy on the Moundsville Building**
42 **Commission. (Council's Appointment)**
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1 A letter of intent was submitted by D. J. Pellen asking to be appointed to the Moundsville
2 Building Commission. Councilperson Lemasters made a motion to appoint D. J. Pellen to the
3 Moundsville Building Commission to fill the unexpired term of Edward Gorrell, seconded by
4 Councilperson Oiler. Motion carried unanimously.

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6 **Other Items to be Discussed by Council.**

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8 Councilperson Simms suggested that council vote to give the employees a \$.50 raise instead of
9 the \$.25 raise since they are going to pay a deductible this coming fiscal year on their health
10 insurance.

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12 After some discussion, Councilperson Simms made a motion to give employees \$.50 raise,
13 seconded by Councilperson Haynes for discussion.

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15 Mayor DiRemigio called for a roll call vote. City Clerk announced the following tally. Ward-
16 nay; Simms-yea; Oiler-nay; Haynes-nay; Lemasters-nay; Wallace-nay; DiRemigio-nay. 1 yea, 6
17 nays. Motion failed.

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19 **MANAGER ITEMS:**

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21 **Safer Grant. (Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response)**

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23 Fire Chief Clarke submitted information on the Safer Grant which is for grantees to enhance their
24 ability to attain 24-hour staffing and thus assuring the community's adequate fire protection. The
25 SAFER Grant is a five year grant program to assist fire departments pay a portion of newly hired
26 firefighters salaries. The grant requires the grantee match an increasing portion of the salary over
27 a four-year period; in the fifth year of the grant, the grantee must absorb the entire cost of any
28 positions awarded as a result of the grant.

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30 Council members agreed to sent this matter to the Policy Committee.

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32 **Monarch Football Scoreboard.**

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34 City Manager Hendershot recommended to send the information to purchase an ad on the new
35 football score board to the Finance Committee. The cost of the "rolling ad" is \$3,000 every two
36 years. Council members agreed to send this matter to the Finance Committee.

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38 **Spring Clean Up 2005.**

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40 Manager Hendershot reported that the 2005 Spring Clean Up was a success. The city had
41 assistance from the Appalachian Outreach Program. Normal tonnage is approximately 175 ton,
42 during spring clean up the city accumulated approximately 275 ton.

1 **Ribbon Cutting Announced.**

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3 The Marshall County Chamber of Commerce announced a ribbon cutting at Timeless Treasures,
4 524 Seventh Street on June 10, 2005 at 10:00 a.m.

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6 **Master Gardener's Club.**

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8 Manager Hendershot wished to thank the following organizations for planting flowers and shrubs
9 at both entrances to the City of Moundsville and on Jefferson Avenue across from BB&T Bank
10 on Jefferson Avenue: Master Gardener's, Moundsville Rotary Club, Moundsville Garden Club
11 and Gary Martin. Also, thanks to Carl Boso, Jr for building the portable "water buffalo".

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13 Councilperson Simms made a motion to invite the organizations to a council meeting to present
14 them with a plaque, seconded by Councilperson Ward. Motion carried unanimously.

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16 **Demolition Update - Center Street.**

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18 Manager Hendershot reported that bids were put out for demolition to a house on Center Street
19 approximately 18 months ago. The bids came in extremely high because of concerns of asbestos.
20 So the bids were rejected. Since then an asbestos inventory was done on the house for the
21 amount of \$700. Knowing at this time exactly what is in the building, the city is ready to place
22 the demolition out for bid.

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24 **Other Items Discussed by the City Manager.**

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26 * City Manager Hendershot congratulated Councilperson Haynes for returning to council.

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28 **MAYOR ITEMS:**

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30 * Mayor DiRemigio wished to welcome Councilperson Haynes to council.

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32 **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

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34 **Discussion and Approval of Recommendations by the Finance Committee.**

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36 Vice Mayor Wallace scheduled a Finance Meeting on Tuesday, June 14, 2005 at 6:00 p.m.

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38 **Discussion and Approval of Recommendations by the Traffic Committee.**

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40 Councilperson Simms scheduled a Traffic Meeting following the Finance Meeting.

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42 **Discussion and Approval of Recommendations by the Policy Committee.**

1 Councilperson Oiler scheduled a Policy Meeting following the Traffic Meeting.

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3 **COUNCIL ITEMS:**

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5 * **Ward** - Nothing at this time.

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7 * **Simms** - Wished to welcome David Haynes to council.

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9 * **Oiler** - Also welcomed David Haynes to council.

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11 * **Wallace** - Wished to comment on Mr. Jack Cunningham's questions. The reason that public
12 hearings require 5 minutes for each individual is to control the uncontrollable. If a citizen needs
13 more time, council usually grants it.

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15 * Commented that the Chief of Police is going to look into the complaint of four people in the
16 front seat of a truck on 10th Street while an officer watched.

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18 * **Lemasters** - Wished to thank the Street crew for painting the curbs.

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20 * Recommended the city send a letter of commendation to Steve Morrison and Mike Logsdon for
21 their recent promotions.

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23 * Reported high grass at 411 Third Street, 14 Potomac Street & 321 Poplar Avenue.

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25 * **Ward** - Reported house is a mess on 4th Street & Poplar Avenue.

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27 * **Simms** - Reported weeds need cut between Kroger & Teletech.

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29 * **Haynes** - Commended Manager Hendershot on the letter written to Congressman Mollohan.

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31 * Complained in the area of 14 Elm Avenue, garage apartment caught on fire, contractors tore
32 the upstairs apartment down, but have not cleaned up the surrounding debris. Neighbor
33 complaint of a flat tire on her vehicle.

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35 Councilperson Oiler made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilperson Ward. Motion
36 carried unanimously.

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38 Meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

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Sondra J Hewitt, City Clerk

Ralph DiRemigio, Mayor