

**STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF MARSHALL, CITY OF MOUNDSVILLE,
JANUARY 19, 2016**

The Council of the City of Moundsville met in regular session in the Council Chambers on January 19, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Eugene Saunders.

Invocation by Councilperson Mark Simms.

City Clerk Hewitt called the roll and the following councilpersons were in attendance: Vice Mayor DeWitt, D. Haynes, P. Haynes, Hendershot, Simms, Wood and Mayor Saunders. Also present: City Manager Deanna J. Hess, Fire Chief Clarke, Police Chief Mitchell, Street Commissioner Stocklask, CPA Kathryn Goddard, Attorney Thomas White, and City Clerk Hewitt.

Regular Council Meeting of January 5, 2016.

Councilperson P. Haynes made a motion to accept and approve the minutes of the regular council meeting of January 5, 2016, seconded by Vice Mayor DeWitt. Motion carried unanimously.

Special Council Meeting of January 5, 2016.

Councilperson P. Haynes made a motion to accept and approve the minutes of the special council meeting of January 5, 2016, seconded by Vice Mayor DeWitt. Motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL PUBLIC HEARING:

* Herbert Carl Boso, 305 10th Street, asked Council if they are able to give him an answer as to other wrecker services in Moundsville paying for licenses and B&O Tax? He said nothing has ever been done at Mr. Varlas's lot concerning him parking campers in Mobile Home Park. He also reported people running snow removal without business license. Mr. Boso said council never follows up on anything.

Manager Hess invited Mr. Boso to her office any time he has anything to discuss or question. She also asked if he knew the names of the businesses in town without a license?

Presentation of Commendation Letters Recognizing Employees.

Mayor Saunders presented commendation letters to Kevin Wallace and Fire Chief Noel Clark for saving the life of a man who was pinned under his mobile home.

OLD BUSINESS:

* Councilperson Wood asked for some time at the next sub committee meeting to discuss goals for 2016.

* Councilperson Wood asked Manager Hess where in the budget process are we? Manager Hess reported she and Ms. Goddard are gathering figures.

* Vice Mayor DeWitt reported the “Better Building” meeting in Weirton has been cancelled due to developing weather. No reschedule date has been determined at this time.

NEW BUSINESS:

Appointment to the Moundsville Parks & Recreation Board.

Letters were received from two interested parties, Gary Carmichael and Frank Stocklask, for the vacancy on the Moundsville Parks & Recreation Board.

Councilperson Wood made a motion to appoint Frank Stocklask to the Moundsville Parks and Recreation Board, seconded by Vice Mayor DeWitt. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilperson Hendershot thanked Mr. Stocklask for having an interest in the Parks & Recreation and asked Manager Hess to send Mr. Carmichael a letter thanking him for his interest.

Discussion and Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Enter Into a Loan Agreement for the Lease Purchase of Two (2) 2016 Ford Explorer Police Cruisers for the Police Department.

Councilperson Wood made a motion to approve the resolution for the lease purchase of two police cruisers, seconded by Councilperson P. Haynes. Motion carried unanimously.

Other Items to be Discussed by Council.

* Councilperson Wood asked for an update on the Better Buildings Grant. Building Inspector Richmond said he in the process of setting up a meeting with Luke Isner.

* Councilperson Wood asked for a meeting with the Home Rule committee. A meeting was scheduled for Monday, January 25, 2016 at 2:00 p.m.

* Vice Mayor DeWitt said when council members visited Delegate Ferro during the Municipal League Conference, he stated there was no grant money available at this time.

* Vice Mayor DeWitt suggested that Mr. Boso notify the city when the snow removal companies are out so officers can check for business license.

MANAGER ITEMS:

* Manager Hess read a thank you card to council from Councilperson David Wood and family.

* Manager Hess wanted to remind Mr. Boso if he should have any questions or concerns about anything, please call her.

MAYOR ITEMS:

* Mayor Saunders said he appreciated the thank you card from Councilperson David Wood and assured him that he was in everyone's prayers.

* Mayor Saunders agreed with Councilperson Wood on a home rule meeting to discuss a plan.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Discussion and Approval of Recommendations by the Finance Committee.

Vice Mayor DeWitt summarized the Finance Meeting saying Jonette Lazasz of the Schwendeman Agency spoke on employee health insurance; Kathryn Goddard gave a synopsis on the city's finances for December, 2015; and the resolution for Chief Mitchell to purchase 2 cruisers for the police department.

Discussion and Approval of Recommendations by the Policy Committee.

1. Discussion of Proposed Zone Change for Sanford Center. Committee recommends send the proposed ordinance back to the Planning Commission.

Councilperson D. Haynes made a motion to send this request back to the Planning Commission, seconded by Councilperson Hendershot. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion and Approval of Recommendations by the Traffic Committee.

1. Discussion of Installing Loading Zone on First Street in front of Vocelli's Pizza, 1211 First Street. Committee recommends installing a loading zone in front of Vocelli Pizza, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Councilperson D. Haynes made a motion to install a loading zone in front of Vocelli's Pizza, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., seconded by Councilperson P. Haynes. Motion carried unanimously.

COUNCIL ITEMS:

* **Simms** - Nothing at this time.

* **Wood** - Nothing at this time.

* **Hendershot** - Thanked Chief Clarke and Street Foreman Kevin Wallace for their efforts, it was greatly appreciated.

* Asked Manager Hess for an update on the pool feasibility study. Manager Hess said that McKinley & Associates have requested a copy of the blue prints. After viewing them, someone will call her.

Councilperson Hendershot said he was very disappointed in McKinley & Associates it seems they have been dragging their feet on this project. He requested council to invite a representative from McKinley to the regular council meeting along with the study.

* Thanked Frank Stocklask for taking interest in the Parks & Recreation Board.

* **D. Haynes** - Reported a bunch of tires at 1811 Second Street. City Manager Hess has already addressed that problem.

* He asked everyone who has a cell phone to take a picture of vehicles that are dumping at the Water Plant. Nobody seems to be able to catch these people.

* **P. Haynes** - Nothing at this time.

* **DeWitt** - Asked City Manager Hess if she spoke to anyone concerning the traffic lights at 7th & Tomlinson Avenue & 7th & Jefferson Avenue.

Mayor Saunders made a motion to have an executive session for litigation, seconded by Councilperson DeWitt. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting recessed at 7:37 p.m.

Executive Session began at 7:39 p.m.

Executive Session recessed at 7:49 p.m.

Regular session convened at 7:49 p.m.

Councilperson DeWitt moved to adjourn, seconded by Councilperson P. Haynes. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Sondra J. Hewitt, City Clerk

Eugene Saunders, Sr., Mayor