

1 **STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF MARSHALL, CITY OF MOUNDSVILLE,**  
2 **SEPTEMBER 20, 2016**

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4 The Council of the City of Moundsville met in regular session in the Council Chambers on  
5 September 20, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

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7 Meeting was called to order by Mayor Eugene Saunders.

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9 Invocation by Councilperson Mark Simms.

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

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17 **Regular Council Meeting of September 6, 2016.**

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19 Councilperson P. Haynes moved to accept and approve the minutes of the regular council  
20 meeting of September 6, 2016, seconded by Vice Mayor DeWitt. Motion carried unanimously.

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22 **GENERAL PUBLIC HEARING:**

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24 \* Della Deskins, 318 Olive Avenue, President of Sanford Center, presented council with a  
25 Certificate of Appreciation Award. Mayor Saunders received the award.

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27 \* Sara Wood, 114 Cypress Avenue, Family Resource Network (FRN), presented council with  
28 framed photo's of the Food Drive the city participated in. Mayor Saunders received the award.

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30 **OLD BUSINESS:**

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

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34 \* Vice Mayor DeWitt asked if the paving was going to start next week? Manager Hess  
35 responded as far as she knows.

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37 \* D. Haynes made a motion to put back on the Policy Sub Committee agenda discussion of  
38 hiring a Code Enforcement Officer, seconded by Councilperson P. Haynes. Motion carried  
39 unanimously.

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41 \* Councilperson Wood reminded council members of the Mayors Association meeting  
42 presenting "River to Jail: The Drug Epidemic" on Thursday, September 22, 2016, 12:30 p.m. at  
43 the MEDC Training Center.

1 \* Councilperson Wood said he was unable to attend the Better Building's Meeting and  
2 announced that another meeting was being scheduled.

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4 \* Councilperson Woods suggested a resolution from the City of Moundsville to the Federal and  
5 Local Law Enforcement for their efforts to stop drug abuse and addiction.

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7 \* Councilperson Wood said he noticed in the agreement with the Recycling Company Republic  
8 Services, the start date is October 1, 2016. Attorney White said he emailed the contract to  
9 Republic Services for their review but hasn't received anything back from them.

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11 \* Councilperson Wood announced Thursday, September 22, 2016 at 8:20 a.m., State Journal  
12 Editor, Ann Ali will meet with Moundsville Middle School sixth grade.

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14 **NEW BUSINESS:**

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16 **Discussion and Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Enter Into A**  
17 **Contract with Republic Services to Provide Recycling Services.**

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19 Attorney White noted that he has not received any response back from Republic Services.

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21 **Discussion and Approval of an Ordinance Revising City Business License Fees in the City**  
22 **of Moundsville. (First Reading)**

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24 Attorney White read the following ordinance by title only to be passed by council on first  
25 reading:

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27 **AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MOUNDSVILLE, WEST**  
28 **VIRGINIA, AMENDING THE CITY CODE TO REVISE AND SIMPLIFY BUSINESS**  
29 **LICENSING IN THE CITY OF MOUNDSVILLE (FIRST READING)**

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31 Councilperson Wood moved to approve the revised licensing ordinance, seconded by  
32 Councilperson Simms.

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34 Mayor Saunders called for a voice vote. City Clerk announced the following tally. 6 yeas.  
35 Motion carried unanimously.

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37 **Receive and File the City of Moundsville Police Pension & Relief Fund Statement.**

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39 Councilperson Simms made a motion to receive and file the City of Moundsville Police Pension  
40 & Relief Fund, seconded by Councilperson D. Haynes. Motion carried unanimously.

1 **Receive and File the City of Moundsville Fireman’s Pension & Relief Fund Statement.**

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3 Councilperson D. Haynes made a motion to receive and file the City of Moundsville Police  
4 Pension & Relief Fund, seconded by Councilperson P. Haynes. Motion carried unanimously.  
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6 **Discussion and Approval of Paving Bids.**

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8 Councilperson Wood made a motion to accept the low bid from Klug Brothers for two streets at  
9 a cost of \$87,452.96, seconded by Vice Mayor DeWitt. Motion carried unanimously.  
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11 **Other Items to be Discussed by Council.**

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13 \* Councilperson Wood reminded fellow council members anyone wishing to participate in the  
14 Annual Christmas Parade needs to fill out a form with City Manager’s Secretary, Marilyn.  
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16 \* Councilperson Wood asked for council’s support to recognize Students of the Month and  
17 Teachers of the Grading Period at the Moundsville Middle School. He suggested awarding each  
18 student & teacher with a certificate. Councilperson Wood asked to discuss and approve this at  
19 the Policy Committee, seconded by Councilperson Simms. Motion carried unanimously.  
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21 \* Vice Mayor DeWitt visited Parkersburg for the Chief’s of Police Conference and noticed on  
22 their flood wall a sign saying “Welcome to Parkersburg”. She suggested the possibility of, when  
23 moving our “Progress Thru Unity” sign, of placing it at the Riverfront Park.  
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25 \* Vice Mayor Dewitt informed council and citizens that on the City’s Website, there is a  
26 Property Maintenance Complaint form they can print and fill out if they have a complaint or want  
27 to report dilapidated structures, high grass, or any other nuisance.  
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29 **MANAGER ITEMS:**

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31 **Appointment to the Moundsville Planning Commission. (3 year term)**

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33 Manager Hess received a letter from Josephine Burch expressing her interest in serving on the  
34 Moundsville Planning Commission.  
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36 **Business After Hours.**

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38 The Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours will be hosted by Perkins on Thursday,  
39 September 22, 2016 from 5-7 p.m. Anyone wishing to attend must call Marilyn.  
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41 **Annual Marshall County Chamber of Commerce Dinner.**

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43 Manager Hess announced the annual Marshall County Chamber of Commerce dinner will be

1 held on Thursday, October 6, 2016, 5 PM Social Hour and 6 PM Dinner. Keynote Speaker is  
2 Tony Caridi, The Voice of the WVU Mountaineers.

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4 **Community Day Event.**

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6 Announced Community Day Event will be Sunday, at the Riverfront Park from 1-4 p.m.

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8 **City of Moundsville 2016-2017 Audit Preparation.**

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10 CPA Kathryn Goddard announced we received a bid of \$5,500 from Balestra Harr & Scherer of  
11 Huntington WV.

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13 **Legal Ads by Attorney White.**

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15 Attorney White submitted several legal ads published in the Moundsville Daily Echo to be  
16 received and filed by council:

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18 1. Audit Review Proposal  
19 2. Paving Bids  
20 3. Petition for Mural Ordinance/Approval

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22 Councilperson Simms made a motion to receive and file the legal ads, seconded by  
23 Councilperson Wood. Motion carried unanimously.

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25 **MAYOR ITEMS:**

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27 \* Mayor Saunders announced he will be speaking with Golden Tower residents in October.

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29 **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

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31 **Discussion of Recommendations by the Finance Committee.**

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33 1. Discussion of Bank Rates to Fund Four Seasons Pool Renovations. Committee recommends  
34 moving forward with funding the dectron/dehumidifying unit.

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36 Vice Mayor Wood made a motion to move forward with funding the dectron/dehumidifying unit  
37 at Four Seasons Pool, seconded by Councilperson Wood.

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39 Councilperson D. Haynes asked how the city was going to fund this project? Councilperson  
40 Wood said with Hotel/Motel Tax, the 1% Sales Tax and Fundraisers. Also CPA Ms. Goddard  
41 will check interest rates.

1 Mayor Saunders called for a voice vote. City Clerk announced the following tally. 5 yeas, 1 nay.  
2 D. Haynes voting nay. Motion carried.

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4 **Discussion of Recommendations by the Policy Committee.**

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6 1. Discussion of Remainder of Council Goal List. Committee recommends for council to  
7 continue to pursue the list of goals for 2016-2017.

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9 Vice Mayor DeWitt made a motion to continue pursuing the list of goals for 2016-2017,  
10 seconded by Councilperson Wood. Motion carried unanimously.

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12 **COUNCIL ITEMS:**

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14 \* **D. Haynes** - Said he turned a complaint into the Building Inspector concerning no gutters on  
15 the house 315 Poplar Avenue and water running into the neighbors basement from run off of the  
16 house in question.

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18 \* Asked if there had been any progress from the owner of the 5<sup>th</sup> Street house who requested  
19 more time before paying the vacant property fee? Building Inspector advised not at this time.

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

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23 \* **DeWitt** - Reported on Community Day and hoped everyone would attend.

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25 \* Vice Mayor DeWitt made a motion to go into an Executive Session for Personnel Matters after  
26 the regular session, seconded by Councilperson D. Haynes. Motion carried unanimously.

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28 \* **Wood** - Also spoke on Community Day hoping for a yearly event.

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

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32 Vice Mayor DeWitt made a motion to recess and go into Executive Session, seconded by  
33 Councilperson Simms. Motion carried unanimously.

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35 Meeting recessed at 7:45 p.m.

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37 Executive session convened at 7:55 p.m.

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39 Executive session recessed at 8:19 p.m.

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41 Regular session reconvened at 8:20 p.m.

1 Councilperson Simms made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Vice Mayor DeWitt. Motion  
2 carried unanimously.

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4 Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

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Sondra J. Hewitt, City Clerk

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Eugene Saunders, Sr., Mayor