

**STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF MARSHALL, CITY OF MOUNDSVILLE,
AUGUST 3, 2009**

The Council of the City of Moundsville met in Regular Session in the Council Chambers on August 3, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting was called to order by Mayor David Wood.

Invocation by Councilperson Simms.

City Clerk Hewitt called the roll and the following councilpersons were in attendance: DeWitt, Haynes, Saunders, Simms, Wallace, Young and Mayor Wood. Also present: Acting City Manager Deanna J Hess, Police Chief Kudlak, Asst. Fire Chief Walker, Street Commissioner Richmond, Building Inspectors Wise & Watson, CPA Kathryn Goddard, City Attorney Thomas White and City Clerk Hewitt. Absent: City Manager Hendershot & Fire Chief Clarke.

INTRODUCTION:

Chief Kudlak introduced newly hired Police Officer Dylan Shrack to the Moundsville Police Department.

MINUTES:

Regular Council Meeting of July 21, 2009.

Councilperson Haynes made a motion to accept and approve the minutes of the regular council meeting of July 21, 2009, seconded by Councilperson Saunders. Motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL PUBLIC HEARING:

* Kevin Barr, Director of Parks & Recreation in St. Clairsville, OH, spoke to council about his history with the Parks & Recreation Department and years ago starting the department on a \$6500 budget.

* Robert Hunnell, Auto Choice, asked that council bring this matter to the table and make a decision tonight as to whether or not they will grant him the \$28,467.44 credit on his Business & Occupation Tax.

Councilperson Young moved to bring from the table the discussion to grant Mr. Hunnell the credit he is requesting, seconded by Councilperson Simms.

Mayor Wood called for a voice vote. City Clerk announced the following tally. DeWitt, Haynes, Saunders, Simms, Wallace, Young and Mayor Wood. 7 yeas.
After a lengthy discussion, Councilperson Simms made a motion to grant the credit of

\$28,467.44 to Auto Choice over a three year period, seconded by Councilperson Wallace.

Mayor Wood called for a voice vote. City Clerk announced the following tally. Haynes, Saunders, Simms, Wallace, Young, Mayor Wood and DeWitt. 7 yeas. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion and Approval of a Rate Increase Ordinance for the Sanitary Board. (Second Reading)

Attorney White read the following rate increase ordinance by title only to be passed by council on second and final reading:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MOUNDSVILLE, WEST VIRGINIA AMENDING THE EXISTING RATE SCHEDULES FOR THE SANITARY DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF MOUNDSVILLE, WEST VIRGINIA. (SECOND READING)

Councilperson Simms made a motion to approve the rate increase ordinance, seconded by Councilperson DeWitt.

Mayor Wood called for voice vote. City Clerk announced the following tally. Saunders, Simms, Wallace, Mayor Wood, DeWitt and Haynes yea. Young voting nay. 6 yeas, 1 nay. Motion carried.

Other Items to be Discussed by Council.

Mayor Wood introduced the newly hired Building Inspector Jim Watson.

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion and Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Enter Into a Contractual Agreement with Project Life Saver.

Councilperson Simms made a motion to authorize the City Manager to enter into a contractual agreement with Project Life Saver, seconded by Councilperson Saunders.

Mayor Wood called for a voice vote. City Clerk announced the following tally. Simms, Wallace, Young, Mayor Wood DeWitt, Haynes and Saunders. 7 yeas. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion of a Letter of Support for City Net’s Efforts to Provide Fiber Optic Network to Moundsville.

Councilperson Saunders made a motion to provide City Net with a letter of support to provide

Fiber Optic Network to Moundsville, seconded by Councilperson Simms.

Mayor Wood called for a voice vote. City Clerk announced the following tally. Wallace, Young, Mayor Wood, DeWitt, Haynes, Saunders and Simms. 7 yeas. Motion carried unanimously.

MANAGER ITEMS:

Marshall County Tourism Leader Announced.

Acting City Manager Hess announced the Marshall County Chamber of Commerce has appointed Mike Drosieko as the Marshall County Tourism Leader. Mr. Drosieko was raised in Wheeling; graduated with a business degree from University of Charleston in 2001; was most recently the Community Outreach Coordinator for the Marshall County Family Resource Network in Moundsville; and is working with Grand Vue Park & Recreation Center.

MAYOR ITEMS:

* Mayor Wood announced that he was pleased that Harold Games attended the last council meeting and informed council on the progress at the Fostoria.

* Mayor Wood congratulated the Marshall County Fair Board on another successful year except for the rain.

* Mayor Wood asked for an update on the purchase of 1405 Thompson Avenue. Acting City Manager Hess commented that nothing has been discussed other than the motion by council to purchase the property.

* Mayor Wood asked Chief Kudlak if the Police Department was hiring another police officer. Chief Kudlak commented that employment was offered to Shawn Wilhelm.

* Mayor Wood announced to council of the WV Municipal League Conference being this week.

* Mayor Wood asked for an update as to when the stop signs will come into effect at 5th & Jefferson Avenue.

* Mayor Wood commented on clean up at the former Simmons Apartments.

* Mayor Wood reminded council members of the Sanford School meeting on Monday, August 10, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. at the school building.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Discussion and Approval of Recommendations by the Finance Committee.

Councilperson Wallace scheduled a finance committee meeting on Tuesday, August 11, 2009 at 5:00 p.m.

Discussion and Approval of Recommendations by the Traffic Committee.

Councilperson Simms scheduled a traffic committee meeting following the finance meeting.

Discussion and Approval of Recommendations by the Policy Committee.

Mayor Wood scheduled a policy meeting following the traffic meeting.

COUNCIL ITEMS:

* **Saunders** - Reported that Street Commissioner Richmond contacted the maintenance company for the property behind Wood Fitness Center and they reported that someone will be in Moundsville to cut weeds.

* Asked Chief Kudlak if owners were contacted concerning the house on Annadale Avenue. Chief advised that he has not contacted owner at this time.

* **Haynes** - Reported a car in the rear of 212 Poplar Avenue w/o inspection or tags.

* **DeWitt** - Advised Chief Kudlak that citizens were inquiring as to whether or not the curfew ordinance was being enforced.

* Reported shrubs growing into the alley at 1012 Weaver Avenue.

* **Young** - Asked if Street Commissioner Richmond was working on pot holes when possible? Mr. Richmond advised that he was.

* Wished to thank all the employees & department heads for the work they do.

* **Wallace** - Commented that the city needs to look into the B&O Tax application forms and correct any problems with them.

* **Simms** - Congratulated Mr. Jim "Bugs" Cochran as the honoree for the 2009 Marshall County Fair.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Sondra J. Hewitt, City Clerk

David Wood, Mayor