

**STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF MARSHALL, CITY OF MOUNDSVILLE,  
APRIL 7, 2009**

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

Meeting was called to order by Mayor David Wood.

Invocation by Councilperson Mark Simms.

City Clerk 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, Street Foreman Stocklask, Building Inspector Wise, CPA Kathryn Goddard, Attorney Thomas White and City Clerk Hewitt. Absent: City Manager Hendershot, Fire Chief Clarke and Street Commissioner Richmond.

**MINUTES:**

**Regular Council Meeting of March 17, 2009.**

Councilperson Haynes made a motion to accept and approve the regular council meeting of March 17, 2009, seconded by Councilperson Saunders. Motion carried unanimously.

**GENERAL PUBLIC HEARING:**

\* Fred Brunner, 112 Leatherwood Drive, asked that council take proper measures in having the area of Dorsey Apartments and entrance to Cherokee Hills cleaned up. Mr. Brunner presented council with pictures of the areas he was speaking about.

Chief Kudlak commented that contact was made with the owner of 4 & 6 Jefferson Extension.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Discussion and Approval of a Resolution for Authorization to Enter into a Lease Purchase Agreement for a New Police Cruiser.**

Councilperson Simms made a motion to approve the resolution to enter into a lease purchase agreement for a new police cruiser, seconded by Councilperson Haynes for discussion.

Councilperson Wallace asked if the funds were authorized for this years budget or next years budget? Chief Kudlak reported that payments for the SUV that was paid off in December are accumulating which will be the money used for payment of the new cruiser. However, Chief Kudlak commented that he is not ready for purchase this cruiser just yet.

Councilperson Simms rescinded his motion and Councilperson Haynes rescinded his second. Mayor Wood announced this resolution can wait until Chief Kudlak is ready for the purchase.

**Discussion and Approval of the Moundsville Water Board 2009-2010 Budget.**

Councilperson Simms made a motion to approve the 2009-2010 Budget for the Moundsville Water Board, seconded by Councilperson Haynes.

Mayor Wood called for a voice vote. City Clerk announced the following tally. 7 yeas. Motion carried unanimously.

**Request to Sponsor St. Francis Xavier 2009 Murder Mystery Dinner Theater.**

Councilperson Saunders moved to deny the request to sponsor the Murder Mystery Dinner Theater, seconded by Councilperson Haynes.

Mayor Wood called for a voice vote. City Clerk announced the following tally. 7 yeas. Motion carried unanimously.

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

\* Councilperson Saunders asked why the process to condemn dilapidated structures takes so long? Building Inspector Wise explained the process of locating the owner, certified letters, 30 day waiting period, extensions on the 30 days and more certified letters. Mr. Wise informed Councilperson Saunders the procedure is located in the municipal code book under Public Nuisance and Abatement.

**MANAGER ITEMS:**

**Appointment to the Moundsville Building Commission.**

Acting City Manager Hess read a letter from Angela Coe expressing interest to serve on the Moundsville Building Commission.

Councilperson Wallace made a motion to appoint Angela Coe to the Moundsville Building Commission, seconded by Councilperson DeWitt. Motion carried unanimously.

**Other Items to be Discussed by City Manager.**

Police Chief Kudlak gave council an update on grants the Police Department has received and will be applying for. A \$70,000 Technology Grant was approved for equipment in which Chief Kudlak will purchase new CAD System (Computer Aided Dispatch). Another \$24,000 Technology Grant was received to purchase a new telephone system and a teletype system for the police department. Also, application was submitted for \$98,000 for the Prevention Resource Officer at Moundsville Middle School for two years at 100%.

Chief Kudlak announced that funding is available for COPS for 3 years at 100%, but the city will

have to maintain funding on the fourth year. Chief Kudlak asked council to decide how many officers they want him to apply for if any.

After discussion and the understanding that council have the final say, Councilperson Saunders made a motion to authorize Chief Kudlak to apply for three officers for the COPS program, seconded by Councilperson DeWitt.

Mayor Wood called for a voice vote. City Clerk announced the following tally. 7 yeas. Motion carried unanimously.

### **MAYOR ITEMS:**

\* Mayor Wood commented on the report from GAB concerning the progress of the Fostoria project.

\* Mayor Wood asked if the three streets on the paving list have been engineered? Councilperson Simms reported the streets have been engineered and advertised for bids.

\* Mayor Wood read an article pertaining to police & fire pensions throughout the state which are not doing well. Legislatures are not willing to take over the responsibilities the city's have with the pensions.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

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

Councilperson Wallace scheduled a Finance Meeting on Tuesday, April 14, 2009 at 5:00 p.m.

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

Councilperson Simms scheduled a Traffic Meeting to follow after the Finance Meeting.

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

Mayor Wood scheduled a Policy Meeting to follow after the Traffic Meeting.

### **COUNCIL ITEMS:**

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

\* **Wallace** - Nothing at this time.

\* **Young** - Wished to thank & congratulate Chief Kudlak for obtaining the grants for the Police Department.

\* **DeWitt** - Reported the roof and side porch on the house behind Salvation Army is falling off.

\* Reported the manhole cover on Grant Avenue between 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> Street is sinking.

\* **Saunders** - Asked why the street sweeper is not running on Jefferson Extension? Foreman Stocklask reported the street sweeper not being on a scheduled run at this time due to the weather.

\* Reported large holes on Harmony Drive.

\* Asked that “No turn on red” signs be changed at 7<sup>th</sup> & Jefferson Avenue and 7<sup>th</sup> & Tomlinson Avenue to during school hours. This permits right turns on red on Saturdays & Sundays.

\* **Haynes** - Asked if the city patches holes on road at the north Plaza going to Jefferson Extension? Councilperson Simms said that area was private property.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

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Sondra J. Hewitt, City Clerk

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David Wood, Mayor