

**STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF MARSHALL, CITY OF MOUNDSVILLE,
JUNE 4, 2013**

The Council of the City of Moundsville met in regular session in the Council Chambers on June 4, 2013 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: DeWitt, D. Haynes, P. Haynes, Remke, Simms, Wood and Mayor Saunders. Also present: City Manager Hess, Fire Chief Clarke, Police Chief Mitchell, Street Foreman Stocklask, Building Inspector Richmond, Attorney Thomas White, CPA Kathryn Goddard and City Clerk Hewitt.

MINUTES:

Regular Council Meeting of May 21, 2013.

Councilperson P. Haynes moved to accept and approve the minutes of the regular council meeting of May 21, 2013, seconded by Councilperson DeWitt. Motion carried unanimously.

Special Council Meeting of May 21, 2013.

Councilperson P. Haynes moved to accept and approve the minutes of the special council meeting of May 21, 2013, seconded by Councilperson DeWitt. Motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL PUBLIC HEARING:

* Garen Francis, 199 N Highland Avenue, complained of the deplorable condition of 202 Thorn Avenue, former house of Ida Gray. Mr. Francis reported the doors and windows have been removed by Ralph & Sophia Taylor. The basement is full of water and junk though every part of the house. Mr. Francis said there was rumor that the Taylor's are purchasing the house.

Council informed Mr. Francis of the 30 day process in which Ida's son, Tom Gray has in order to repair the property.

Mr. Francis also thanked the Street Department for the curb painting.

* Tom Schorr, 2605 Second Street, also complained of the conditions of the house at 202 Thorn Avenue. Mr. Schorr feels the 30 day notice shouldn't pertain to Mr. Gray because he has reported these conditions for the last 2 years.

* Lori Schorr, 2605 Second Street, reported this has been an on going problem. She complained

of not being able to set on her back porch due to the smell.

OLD BUSINESS:

Other Items to be Discussed by Council.

* Councilperson Wood asked if Manager Hess contacted Mr. Hendershot concerning the lease of the Sanford Center. Manager Hess noted that Mr. Hendershot was going to contact her to set up a meeting.

* Councilperson Wood received reports of dilapidated house at 7th Street & Lockwood Avenue. Building Inspector Richmond advised council the owners of those four house have been brought into Municipal Court and were given some time to repair them.

* Councilperson Wood asked for any updates on the Fostoria Property. Manager Hess advised she had no report.

* Councilperson Remke presented a signed permission letter from Mr. Tomlinson giving authorization for volunteers to clean up his property on both sides of Jefferson Extension between the Alpine Lounge and Buffalo Wild Wings.

Councilperson Simms moved to receive and file the letter, seconded by Councilperson Remke. Motion carried unanimously.

* Councilperson Remke announced that State Road will pick up the garbage obtained by volunteers who will be using orange garbage bags.

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion and Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into a Contractual Agreement with the Governor's Community Partnership office for a Grant Award of \$10,000 for Roof Repair at the Moundsville VFW Post 437.

Councilperson Remke moved to authorize the City Manager to enter into a contractual agreement for a grant award of \$10,000 for roof repair at the Moundsville VFW Post 437, seconded by Councilperson P. Haynes, Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion and Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into a Contractual Agreement with the Governor's Community Partnership office for a Grant Award of \$2,000 for Ballfield Improvements.

Councilperson Wood moved to authorize the City Manager to enter into a contractual agreement for a grant award of \$2,000 for Ballfield Improvements, seconded by Councilperson DeWitt. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion and Approval of a Zone Change at 107 13th Street Parcel 7 from R-M (Multi-Family Residential to C-H (Highway Commercial & Integrated Commercial Centers. (First Reading)

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

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MOUNDSVILLE, WEST VIRGINIA, PROVIDING TO CHANGE A CERTAIN DESIGNATED AREA ON THIRTEENTH STREET IN THE CITY OF MOUNDSVILLE FROM A MULTI FAMILY RESIDENTIAL ZONE TO CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT ZONE. (FIRST READING)

Councilperson Simms moved to approve the zone change, seconded by Councilperson Remke.

Mayor Saunders called for a voice vote. City Clerk announced the following tally. D. Haynes, P. Haynes, Remke, Simms, Wood, Saunders and DeWitt voting yea. 7 yeas. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion and Approval of Paving Bids Received for the Following Streets: Tenth Street from Parriott Avenue to Garfield Street; Center Street from Mulberry Avenue to Poplar Avenue; Center Street from Ash Avenue to Cedar Avenue; Center Street from Pine Avenue to Highland Avenue; and Water Street from Fourteenth Street to Sixteenth Street.

Paving bids were received from the following companies: Klug Brothers \$167,004.33; Wilson Blacktop \$165,888.65; and Lash Paving \$164,970.55.

Attorney White pointed out to council a letter from Klug Brothers that was attached with the bid sheet asking council for a “resident bidder’s preference” Municipal Code Ordinance 107.03. The 2% resident bidder’s preference change Klug’s bid from \$167,004.33 to \$163,664.29.

After a brief discussion, Councilperson Simms moved to accept the bid from Klug Brothers using the resident bidder’s preference code, seconded by Councilperson P. Haynes. Motion carried unanimously.

Other Items to be Discussed by Council.

* Councilperson Wood announced the WVU Law School student will be at the training center on June 26, 2013 to discuss the Comprehensive Plan. Councilperson Wood asked Manager Hess to invite the Planning Commission members.

* Councilperson Remke moved to discuss re-establishing the Moundsville Historic Landmarks Commission at the next Policy Meeting, seconded by Councilperson Simms. Motion carried

unanimously.

* Councilperson Remke moved to discuss demolition loans at the next Finance Meeting, seconded by Councilperson Wood.

Mayor Saunders called for a voice vote. City Clerk announced the following tally. Remke, Simms, Wood, Saunders and DeWitt voting yea. P. Haynes and D. Haynes voting nay. 5 yeas, 2 nays. Motion carried.

MANAGER ITEMS:

* City Manager Hess wished to thank Carl Boso for filling in and patching the holes in the road behind North Plaza onto Jefferson Extension. It is very much appreciated.

*City Manager Hess announced a new business, Signature Spa will be moving into the old Dairy Queen on Rt 2.

MAYOR ITEMS:

* Mayor Saunders announced the Home Rule Committee recently met and discussed B&O Tax and Sales Tax.

* Mayor Saunders announced the possibility of urban deer hunting in Cherokee Hills will be discussed at the next Policy Meeting due to large population in that area.

* Mayor Saunders expressed that he is happy to see the East End ballfields are being used by the Colt League.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Discussion and Approval of Recommendations by the Finance Committee.

Finance Committee will be meet on Tuesday, June 11, 2013 at 5:00 p.m.

Discussion and Approval of Recommendations by the Traffic Committee.

Traffic Committee will meet after the Finance Meeting.

Discussion and Approval of Recommendations by the Policy Committee.

Policy Committee will be after the Traffic Meeting.

COUNCIL ITEMS:

* **DeWitt** - Nothing at this time.

* **P. Haynes** - Asked if anything is being done with 49 Linden Avenue? Building Inspector Richmond advised the property is being addressed.

* **D. Haynes** - Asked Chief Mitchell for more enforcement at 1st Street & Elm Avenue for yellow line parking.

* **Remke** - Reminded everyone of the Farmers Market starting Wednesday, June 12, 2013 from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

* **Wood** - Thanked Carl Boso for patching holes on road behind north Plaza. Asked City Manager to send a letter of thanks to him.

* Informed council members that Chief Mitchell will be escorting grandparents to an event on June 11, 2013.

* **Simms** - Thank Jim Richmond and the Street Department for the luncheon.

* Thanked Carl Boso for patching road behind Fitness Center.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Sondra J. Hewitt, City Clerk

Eugene Saunders, Sr., Mayor