

**STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF MARSHALL, CITY OF MOUNDSVILLE,
FEBRUARY 17, 2015**

The Council of the City of Moundsville met in regular session in the Council Chambers on February 17, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting was called to order by Mayor David Wood.

Invocation by Mayor David Wood.

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

MINUTES:

Regular Meeting of February 3, 2015.

Councilperson P. Haynes moved to accept and approve the minutes of the regular council meeting of January 6, 2015, seconded by Councilperson D. Haynes. Motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL PUBLIC HEARING:

Suzanne Park - Marshall County CVB.

Suzanne Park, MEDC Director, announced she has been working with Craig White and Joni Grubler to finalize documents approving the Marshall County Convention & Visitors Bureau Inc. Approval was received and the CVB Board is now in the process of interviewing for a CVB Director. Location of the CVB is at present time located at the Marshall County Chamber of Commerce but may be relocating to the Cockayne House.

Recognition of Law Enforcement Appreciation Week.

Mayor Wood presented Police Chief Tom Mitchell with a Certificate of Recognition for Law Enforcement Appreciation Week. Mayor Wood also commented the Police Department will also be complimented a luncheon.

Brad Varlas, Representing Moundsville Volunteer Fire Department.

Mr. Varlas presented council members with a cost comparison sheet for 2015-2016 between City of Moundsville Fire Department and Moundsville Volunteer Fire Department.

NEW BUSINESS:

Other Items to be Discussed by Council.

* Councilperson David Haynes said Councilperson DeWitt asked at sub-committee meeting what residents are supposed to do about old television sets. Street Commissioner Richmond used to take them to Bellaire OH but the building burned down. Mr. Richmond will look into where residents can take them.

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion and Approval of an Ordinance Pertaining to a Zone Change for 1014 Thompson Avenue from R-M to C-C-C-H. (First Reading)

Attorney White read the following zone change ordinance 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 AT 1014 THOMPSON AVENUE IN THE CITY OF MOUNDSVILLE FROM A MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL ZONE TO A COMBINED CENTRAL BUSINESS & HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL ZONE. (FIRST READING)

Councilperson Hendershot made a motion to accept and approve the zone change ordinance for 1014 Thompson Avenue, seconded by Councilperson P. Haynes.

Mayor Wood called for a voice vote. City Clerk announced the following tally. 4 yeas. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion and Approval Authorizing the City Manager to Enter Into a Contractual Agreement with Commercial Insurance for the Renewal of Liability coverage for 2015-2016.

Councilperson P. Haynes made a motion to authorize the contractual agreement with Commercial Insurance, seconded by Councilperson Wood.

Mayor Wood called for a voice vote. City Clerk announced the following tally. 3 yeas, 1 nay. Hendershot voting nay. Motion carried.

Discussion and Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the Application and Contract for West Virginia Governor's Community Grant Participation Program Funds in the Amount of \$3000. (Eastern 4th Street Softball Fields)

Councilperson D. Haynes made a motion to authorize application and contract from Government Community Participation Program in the amount of \$3,000 for Softball Fields on Eastern 4th Street, seconded by Councilperson P. Haynes. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion and Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the Application and Contract for West Virginia Governor’s Community Grant Participation Program Funds in the Amount of \$1500. (Adult Softball Association)

Councilperson D. Haynes made a motion to authorize application and contract from Government Community Participation Program in the amount of \$1,500 for Adult Softball Association, seconded by Councilperson P. Haynes. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion and Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the Application and Contract for West Virginia Governor’s Community Grant Participation Program Funds in the Amount of \$1500. (Girls Softball Association)

Councilperson D. Haynes made a motion to authorize application and contract from Government Community Participation Program in the amount of \$1,500 for Girls Softball Association, seconded by Councilperson P. Haynes. Motion carried unanimously.

Appointment to the Moundsville Water Board.

City Manager Hess reported that Dennis Wallace has applied for the unexpired term of Thomas Ferris who resigned from the Moundsville Water Board.

Councilperson D. Haynes moved to appoint Dennis Wallace to the Moundsville Water Board to fill expired term of Tom Ferris, seconded by Councilperson Hendershot. Motion carried unanimously.

Other Items to be Discussed by Council.

* Councilperson Hendershot wished to thank Senator Kessler for all funding he has helped obtain for the Athletes throughout the years.

* Councilperson P. Haynes wished to thank Street Commissioner Jim Richmond for keeping the streets clear during the harsh weather.

MANAGER ITEMS:

* Manager Hess said she thought the budget workshop went well and wished to thank all her Department Heads and employees for the jobs they do.

MAYOR ITEMS:

* Mayor Wood announced with the help of Belomar a \$10,000 technical service grant was submitted for Brownfields and dilapidated buildings.

* Mayor Wood announced he was continuing education with Moundsville Middle School. Mayor Wood has established a program introducing speakers on every other Wednesday.

* Mayor Wood read a thank you card from Delegate Mike Ferro thanking council members for the basket of snacks they had given him while attending the WV Municipal League Conference.

* Mayor Wood asked Manager Hess to contact Belomar to obtain information on “Land Banking”.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Discussion of Recommendations by the Traffic Committee.

1. Discussion and Approval of an Ordinance to Abandoned a Portion of an Alley Running from Purdy Avenue to Lockwood Avenue Between Eleventh Street & POW Street. (Marshall County Co-op Property) Committee recommends to direct Attorney White to draft an abandonment ordinance.

Councilperson Hendershot moved to direct the City Attorney to draft an abandonment ordinance for Marshall County Co-op, seconded by Councilperson D. Haynes. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion of Recommendations by the Finance Committee.

1. Discussion of Request for Sponsoring Mayor’s Choice and Manager’s Choice for 2015 Car Show. Committee recommends to contribute \$30 for each choice.

Councilperson D. Haynes made a motion to approve the request for \$30 for Manager’s Choice and Mayor’s Choice, seconded by Councilperson P. Haynes. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion of Recommendations by the Policy Committee.

1. Discussion of Revising Article 355 Motorized Recreational Apparatus Vehicles to Require Proof of Insurance. Committee recommends directing the City Attorney to make amendments to the ordinance.

Councilperson Hendershot made a motion to include a section in the ATV Ordinance proof of insurance needs provided when ATV’s are used for snow removal, seconded by Councilperson D. Haynes. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Discussion of program for employee recognition. Committee recommends to move

forward with program.

Councilperson Hendershot made a motion to move forward with the program, seconded by Councilperson P. Haynes. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilperson Hendershot made a motion to hold a special council meeting on February 24, 2015 at 5:00 p.m., for the City Manager to present the 2015-2016 General Fund Budget & Budget Message, seconded by Councilperson D. Haynes. Motion carried unanimously.

COUNCIL ITEMS:

* **D. Haynes** - Wished to thank the Street Department for the work they did on Saturday removing snow.

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

* **Hendershot** - Noticed the Stormwater Board has finalized their Stormwater Management Regulations at which time there will be an ordinance brought before council. Any idea as to when that will happen? Manager Hess reported not until March.

* Informed the public the Traffic Committee is actively reviewing the paving list, if anyone had any streets they wanted reviewed.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Sondra J. Hewitt, City Clerk

David Wood, Mayor