

**STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF MARSHALL, CITY OF MOUNDSVILLE,  
MAY 20, 2003**

The Council of the City of Moundsville met in Regular Session in the Council Chambers on May 20, 2003 at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Dennis Wallace.

Invocation by Mayor Dennis Wallace.

City Clerk called the roll and the following council person were in attendance: DiRemigio, Haynes, Lemasters, Varlas, Ward and Wallace. Also present: Acting City Manager Deanna Hess, City Attorney Tom White, Police Chief Kudlak, Fire Chief Clarke, Street Commissioner Richmond, Building Inspector Vickers, CPA Tom Dobbs and City Clerk Hewitt. Absent: City Manager Hendershot and K. Mark Simms (Attending a Waste Water Management Seminar)

**MINUTES:**

**Regular Council Meeting of May 6, 2003.**

Councilperson DiRemigio made a motion to accept and approve the minutes of the regular council meeting of May 6, 2003, seconded by Councilperson Haynes. Motion carried unanimously.

**GENERAL PUBLIC HEARING:**

\* Glen Romanoski, 416 Filbert Avenue, ask council if they would have some one clean the mud off of the walking trail. Mayor Wallace informed Mr. Romanoski that it would be taken care of.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Discussion and Approval of an Ordinance Concerning the Employee Policy Provisions.  
(Second Reading)**

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

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MOUNDSVILLE, WEST VIRGINIA, AMENDING AND REENACTING A PORTION OF ARTICLE 155 OF THE CODE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MOUNDSVILLE, RELATING TO POLICY PROVISIONS FOR EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF MOUNDSVILLE, BY AMENDING AND REENACTING SECTION 155.07, SUBSECTION "g",**

**SUBPARAGRAPH "7" TO PROVIDE FOR A COORDINATION OF BENEFITS ELECTION AS REQUIRED BY THE STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA. (SECOND READING)**

Councilperson Varlas made a motion to accept and approve the above ordinance, seconded by Councilperson Lemasters.

Mayor Wallace called for a ballot vote. City Clerk announced the following tally. 6 yeas. Motion carried unanimously.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Discussion and Approval of Payment to James V. Kelsh, Esq., for the New Moundsville Water Treatment Plant Project in the Amount of \$1,649.64.**

Councilperson Varlas made a motion to approve payment to James V. Kelsh in the amount of \$1,649.64, seconded by Councilperson Lemasters. (Councilperson Varlas noted that funds for payment are from the Water Treatment Plant Loan). Motion carried unanimously.

**Discussion and Approval of a Resolution of the Council of the City of Moundsville, West Virginia, Authorizing the City to Enter into a Contractual Agreement with the Governor's Community Partnership Office for a Grant Award. (East End Recreation Complex & Four Seasons Pool & Fitness Center)**

Councilperson DiRemigio made a motion to approve the resolution to enter into an agreement with the Governor's Community Partnership Grant, seconded by Councilperson Varlas. Motion carried unanimously.

**Discussion and Approval of a Resolution of the Council of the City of Moundsville, West Virginia Authorizing the City to Enter into a Contractual Agreement with the Local Economic Development Office for a Grant Award. (Moundsville Housing Authority to purchase a van)**

Councilperson DiRemigio made a motion to approve the resolution to enter into an agreement with the Local Economic Development Office, seconded by Councilperson Varlas. Motion carried unanimously.

**MANAGER ITEMS:**

**Municipal Building Commission.**

\* Acting City Manager Hess advised council that John Simms did not wish to serve on the Building

Commission so council will have to appoint another member. After a brief discussion, Councilperson Varlas made a motion to appoint the individual with the next highest votes, seconded by Councilperson DiRemigio. ( Larry Clegg received the next highest votes) Motion carried unanimously.

\* Council must decide which individual will receive the staggered terms: 5, 4, 3, 2, 1 year terms. Councilperson DiRemigio made a motion to appoint Charles Wolfe to the 5 year term; Matthew Ali 4 year; Jack Gould 3 year; Kris McLendon 2 year; and Larry Clegg 1 year, seconded by Councilperson Varlas. Motion carried unanimously.

\* City Clerk will have to notify the members to receive an oath of office before a meeting can be conducted.

### **Seat Belt Grant Award.**

Police Chief Kudlak announced that the Moundsville Police Department has been chosen to participate in an upcoming Seat Belt Enforcement Grant. The Police Department has been awarded \$2,00 for overtime seat belt enforcement. The Blitz period will be from May 19, 2003 to June 2, 2003.

### **Municipal Audit Preference - Year Ending June 30, 2003.**

The West Virginia State Auditor's Office has sent an audit preference sheet for the City of Moundsville to choose who will conduct their next audit.

Councilperson Varlas made a motion to use the State of West Virginia Chief Inspector Division to conduct the City of Moundsville Annual Audit, seconded by Councilperson Lemasters. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Business After Hours at Barn.**

The Business After Hours will be held on May 29, 2003 from 5-7 p.m. at the Fourth Street Barn. Any council interested in attending will need to contact Marilyn at the City Manager's Office.

### **MAYOR ITEMS:**

\* Mayor Wallace informed council that he has been receiving complaints concerning the condition of Clinton Avenue. Council suggested speaking with City Manager Hendershot to have repairs on this street.

### **Strand Theatre Preservation.**

Mayor Wallace received a thank you card from the Strand Theatre Preservation Society for the

generous donation to the Strand.

Councilperson Haynes made a motion to receive and file the thank you card, seconded by Councilperson Lemasters. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Other Items to be Discussed by the Mayor.**

\* Mayor Wallace encouraged all citizens to vote on June 3, 2003. Also wished the candidates luck and asked candidates to keep the campaigns clean.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

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

1. The Finance Committee recommends donating \$1,000 toward the purchase of cribbing for the Sanitary Department.

Councilperson Lemasters made a motion to donate \$1,000 toward shared cribbing expense for the Sanitary Department, seconded by Councilperson Varlas. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Councilperson Haynes announced that the traffic study on Hickory Avenue & Arlington Avenue have not been completed at this time due to the streets being under construction.

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

1. The Policy Committee recommends to place on the agenda for the next council meeting the ordinance pertaining to humane treatment of animals and restraint of dogs and cats in the City of Moundsville.

Councilperson DiRemigio made a motion to place the ordinance on the agenda for the next regular council meeting, seconded by Councilperson Lemasters. Motion carried unanimously.

### **COUNCIL ITEMS:**

\* **DiRemigio** - Requested a traffic study on Eighth Street & Parriott Avenue and complimented the Police Department for patrolling the area.

\* Encouraged citizens to vote on June 3, 2003.

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

\* **Lemasters** - Commended CPA Tom Dobbs and the employees for the job they do.

\* **Varlas** - Would like the MVFD to organize the parade for the Fourth of July celebration.

\* Councilperson Varlas made a motion to receive and file the letter that City Manager Hendershot sent to Bernie Ravasio, President of the United Steel Workers Union #1190, seconded by Councilperson Lemasters. Motion carried unanimously.

\* Asked CPA Tom Dobbs for an update on the city's finances.

\* Encouraged citizens to vote on election day.

\* **Ward** - Attended the Elizabethtown Festival and spoke to Delegate Tucker concerning the possibility of paving Jefferson Avenue.

Councilperson Ward made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilperson Varlas. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

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Sondra J. Hewitt, City Clerk

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Dennis Wallace, Mayor