

1 **STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF MARSHALL, CITY OF MOUNDSVILLE,**  
2 **JUNE 5, 2007**

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4 The Council of the City of Moundsville met in Regular Session in the Council Chambers on June  
5 5, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.

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7 Meeting was called to order by Mayor Dennis Wallace.

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9 Invocation by City Manager Allen Hendershot.

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11 City Clerk called the roll and the following councilpersons were in attendance: Cunningham,  
12 DiRemigio, Haynes, Vice Mayor Lemasters and Mayor Wallace. Absent: Simms & Wood. Also  
13 present: City Manager Hendershot, Police Chief Kudlak, Fire Chief Clarke, Building Inspector  
14 Wise, Attorney Thomas White, CPA Thomas Dobbs and City Clerk Hewitt. Absent: Street  
15 Commissioner Richmond.

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17 **MINUTES:**

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19 **Regular Council Meeting of May 15, 2007.**

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21 Councilperson DiRemigio made a motion to accept and approve the minutes of the regular  
22 council meeting of May 15, 2007, seconded by Councilperson Lemasters. Motion carried  
23 unanimously.

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25 **GENERAL PUBLIC HEARING:**

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27 \* Virginia Magers, 1312 Third Street, informed council and City Manager Hendershot that she  
28 was still not satisfied with the property at 215 Ash Avenue.

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30 \* Debra Magers, 1312 Third Street, also expressed being unhappy with the situation at 215 Ash  
31 Avenue.

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33 \* Rich Wilson representing the Moundsville Volunteer Fire Department gave council a  
34 presentation for the new VFD proposed contract.

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36 \* George Kachalo, 31 Fostoria Avenue, complained about the neighbor parking his vehicle  
37 against his back porch. Also complained on the neighbors property line.

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39 \* David White, 406 Clinton Avenue, reported hedges on Clinton Avenue need cut and also at the  
40 Fostoria Glass Property.

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42 \* Brad Varlas, 1107 Twelfth Street, thank the city for the sidewalk on Jefferson Avenue but  
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1 asked when the sidewalk on Twelfth Street was going to be started. City Manager hopes the  
2 work will be started as soon as the grants are approved.

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4 **NEW BUSINESS:**

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6 **Discussion and Approval of an Ordinance Concerning Hotel/Motel Tax. (First Reading)**

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

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11 **AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MOUNDSVILLE, WEST**  
12 **VIRGINIA, AMENDING THE CODE OF THE CITY OF MOUNDSVILLE, BY**  
13 **PROVIDING FOR AN INCREASE IN THE HOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX WITHIN THE**  
14 **CITY. (FIRST READING)**

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16 Councilperson Lemasters made a motion to accept and approve the hotel occupancy tax  
17 ordinance, seconded by Councilperson Haynes.

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19 Mayor Wallace called for a voice vote. City Clerk announced the following tally. 4 yeas, 1 nay.  
20 DiRemigio voting nay. Motion carried.

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22 **Discussion and Approval of Requisition #19 for the Moundsville Water Treatment Plant**  
23 **Project.**

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25 Councilperson Lemasters made a motion to approve Requisition #19 for the Moundsville Water  
26 Treatment Plant Project, seconded by Councilperson Haynes. Motion carried unanimously.

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

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30 \* Councilperson Lemasters asked that Attorney White research MEDC's suggestion of a Visitors  
31 Bureau in Moundsville.

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33 \* Councilperson Haynes asked about a previous letter from the Planning Commission concerning  
34 the camping property of Brad Varlas on 12<sup>th</sup> Street. City Manager Hendershot advised that they  
35 are waiting for Mr. Vickers to return to work because of a conflict of view on the subject.

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37 **MANAGER ITEMS:**

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39 **Update on 215 Ash Avenue.**

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41 An inspection was conducted at 215 Ash Avenue by John L. Suhrie of Suhrie Engineering LLC,  
42 Canonsburg PA, on June 24, 2007 which determined the structural condition of the house was  
43 structurally sound and the defects found are repairable.

1 **Mobile Office of Senator Byrd.**

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3 Manager Hendershot was contracted by a representative from Senator Byrd's Office announcing  
4 that the Senator's Mobile Office will be at the Senior Citizen Center on Wednesday, June 13,  
5 2007 from 11:30 to 1:00 p.m. Council members are invited to attend.

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7 **Marshall County Board of Education E-Mail.**

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9 An email was received from Mr. Renzella, Superintendent of the Marshall County Board of  
10 Education extending his gratitude to City Council for assisting them with the safety issues at  
11 McNinch Elementary School.

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13 **Recommendation Letter from Moundsville Planning Commission.**

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15 The Moundsville Planning Commission has submitted a letter of recommendation to council to  
16 eliminate certain sections of code from R-U and R-G. This zone or special exceptions concerns  
17 Section 1357.03(a) Nursing Homes, Rest Homes and Funeral Homes.

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19 Mayor Wallace made a motion to instruct the City Attorney draft an ordinance concerning the  
20 changes, seconded by Councilperson Lemasters. Motion carried unanimously.

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22 **Request to Close Alley Adjacent to Marshall County School Property.**

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24 The Marshall County Board of Education is requesting the city to close the alley behind the old  
25 gas station and Mark Crow's Insurance building, which are adjacent to Central School. They  
26 also request the alley between the present school and the annex building on the Eighth Street side  
27 be closed. Additionally, they are requesting permission to open an access to Jefferson Avenue  
28 from the current parking lot.

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30 Manager Hendershot suggested placing this subject on the Traffic Committee and invite the  
31 Board of Education.

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33 **"Thank You" to Mr. Thomas Dobbs.**

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35 Manager Hendershot announced that the existing contract with Mr. Thomas Dobbs will expire  
36 and thanked Mr. Dobbs for his expertise during time he was CPA/Finance Director of the City of  
37 Moundsville. Manager Hendershot also introduced Ms. Kay Goddard, CPA with Marc Abraham  
38 & Company, who will be handling the city's finances on a monthly basis.

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40 **Crime Victim Right's Awareness - Certificate of Recognition.**

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42 The Moundsville Police Department was presented with a certificate of appreciation from the  
43 Ohio County Victim Services for their outstanding support and dedication to crime victims.

1 Chief Kudlak added this is for some of the work the city does with Harmony House.

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3 **MAYOR ITEMS:**

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5 \* Mayor Wallace wished to welcome Councilperson Ralph DiRemigio back to council.

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7 \* Mayor Wallace applauded a local business, Hocutt's Carolina BBQ & Seafood who were  
8 recognized in the State Journal for their southern recipe's of BBQ and Seafood. Hocutt's have  
9 relocated on Rt. 2 at the Old DiCarlo's Pizza.

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11 **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

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

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15 Councilperson Lemasters scheduled a Finance Meeting on June 12, 2007 at 6:00 p.m.

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17 Councilperson Lemasters also made a motion to send the VFD contract to the Finance  
18 Committee, seconded by Mayor Wallace. Motion carried unanimously.

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

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22 Mayor Wallace scheduled a Traffic Meeting following the Finance Meeting.

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

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26 Mayor Wallace scheduled a Policy Meeting following the Traffic Meeting.

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28 **COUNCIL ITEMS:**

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30 \* **Cunningham** - Nothing at this time.

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32 \* **Haynes** - Reported the parking meters have not been replaced on Jefferson Avenue in front of  
33 the Eagles.

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35 \* Reported tires in a yard on Jones Street and behind Anderson Funeral Home.

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37 \* Requested site mirrors on Cherokee Drive.

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39 \* Reported four lights out at Park View Playground.

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41 \* **Lemasters** - Announced that he was very disappointed that Mr. Harold Games did not attend  
42 the meeting at the City Building with Mr. Patrick Kirby of the Brownsfield Artisan Center.

1 \* **DiRemigio** - Wished to thank everyone who kept him in their prayers during his time of  
2 sickness.

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4 Councilperson DiRemigio made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilperson Haynes.  
5 Motion carried unanimously.

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7 Meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

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Sondra J. Hewitt, City Clerk

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Dennis Wallace, Mayor