

**STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF MARSHALL, CITY OF MOUNDSVILLE,  
DECEMBER 17, 2013**

The Council of the City of Moundsville met in regular session in the Council Chambers on December 17, 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 Deanna J. Hess, Fire Chief Clarke, Police Chief Mitchell, Street Laborer Wallace, Building Inspector Schneider, Kathryn Goddard, Attorney Thomas White, and City Clerk Hewitt.

**MINUTES:**

**Regular Council Meeting of December 3, 2013.**

Councilperson P. Haynes moved to accept and approve the minutes of the regular council meeting of December 3, 2013, seconded by Councilperson DeWitt. Motion carried unanimously.

**Special Council Meeting of December 3, 2013.**

Councilperson P. Haynes moved to accept and approve the minutes of the regular council meeting of December 3, 2013, seconded by Councilperson DeWitt. Motion carried unanimously.

**GENERAL PUBLIC HEARING:**

**Presentation of Christmas House Decorating Winners**

Mayor Saunders announced winners of the house decorating contest and presented award to Mr. & Mrs. Wagner, 42 Walnut Avenue for Most Original. Not present: Crissy Markwas, 314 7<sup>th</sup> Street for Most Decorative; and Denny Phillips for Honorable Mention.

\* Mike Pierson, owner of Treasure Chest, 323 Jefferson Avenue, thanked the Police Chief and council for making the requested changes in the Pawnbroker Ordinance. However, he questioned section 731.07 (d) to include said persons address.

Council members understood eliminating the social security number but leaving the address. Since members were not sure of the decision they decided to discuss the issue again at the Policy

Meeting.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Discussion and Approval of an Ordinance Pertaining to Section 731 of the City Code Concerning Pawnbrokers. (Second & Final Reading)**

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

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MOUNDSVILLE, WEST VIRGINIA, AMENDING AND RE-ENACTING SECTION 731 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF MOUNDSVILLE TO PROVIDE FOR REGISTRATION, LICENSING AND REGULATION OF SECONDHAND DEALERS AND PAWNBROKERS IN THE CITY OF MOUNDSVILLE. (SECOND & FINAL READING)**

Councilperson Simms moved to table ordinance until further discussion, seconded by Councilperson Remke. Motion carried unanimously.

**Discussion and Approval of an Ordinance Pertaining to Section 361.03 of the City Code Concerning Parking in the “Parkway” of the Sidewalk. (Second & Final Reading)**

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

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MOUNDSVILLE, WEST VIRGINIA, AMENDING AND RE-ENACTING SECTION 361.03 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF MOUNDSVILLE, TO PROHIBIT PARKING ON THE SPACE BETWEEN THE CURB AND SIDEWALK OF A CITY STREET (SECOND & FINAL READING)**

Councilperson Simms moved to accept and approve the above ordinance on second reading, seconded by Councilperson P. Haynes.

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

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

\* Councilperson DeWitt announced she was pleased that Shop With A Cop sponsored 73 children for Christmas this year. Thank you to the Moundsville Police Department.

\* Councilperson D. Haynes asked for an update on the skatepark. Mayor Saunders announced

the Skatepark Committee has applied for a grant and they in the process of ordering skate rails.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Election of Mayor and Vice Mayor for 2014.**

**2014 Election for Mayor.**

Councilperson Wood moved to nominate Eugene Saunders for Mayor, seconded by Councilperson Simms.

Councilperson Haynes moved to close nominations, seconded by Councilperson DeWitt. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and seconded nominating Eugene Saunders for Mayor. 7 years. Motion carried unanimously.

**2014 Election for Vice Mayor.**

Councilperson DeWitt moved to nominate David Wood for Vice Mayor, seconded by Councilperson D. Haynes.

Councilperson Remke moved to close nominations, seconded by Councilperson DeWitt. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made and seconded nominating David Wood for Vice Mayor. 7 years. Motion carried unanimously.

**Discussion and Approval of Resolution to Authorize the Contract for West Virginia Governor's Community Grant Participation Program Funds (Park View Playground)**

Councilperson Remke moved to approve the resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contractual agreement with the WV Governor's Community Participation Program for a grant in the amount of \$10,000 for Park View Playground, seconded by Councilperson P. Haynes. Motion carried unanimously.

**Discussion and Approval of Awarding Bid for Sale of Used Vehicle.**

A bid was received from A-1 Auto Parts in the amount of \$111.00 for a 1984 Ford CTV Van. Councilperson Remke moved to award the bid to A-1 Auto Parts, seconded by Councilperson DeWitt. Motion carried unanimously.

**Discussion of Appointment to Firefighter's Civil Service Commission (Chamber of Commerce Appointment)**

The Chamber of Commerce chose Kenny Rhodes as the appointment to the Moundsville Firefighters Civil Service for a four year term.

Councilperson P. Haynes moved to accept the Chamber of Commerce choice to the Moundsville Firefighters Civil Service, seconded by Councilperson DeWitt. Motion carried unanimously.

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

\* Councilperson Wood made mention of two Marshall County students have been chosen for the essay contest of "If I Were Mayor". He requested both students be invited to the next council meeting in January 2014.

\* Councilperson Remke asked council to research the possibility of obtaining another Vista Worker.

**MANAGER ITEMS:**

\* Manager Hess announced the Christmas luncheon is Friday, December 20, 12:00 p.m., at the City Garage.

\* Manager Hess wished everyone a Merry Christmas & Happy New Year.

\* And congratulated Mayor Saunders and Vice Mayor Wood.

**MAYOR ITEMS:**

\* Mayor Saunders thanked fellow council members for electing him as Mayor and congratulations to Vice Mayor Wood.

\* And wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

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

1. Discussion of Employees Dental Insurance Coverage Renewal. Committee recommends to renew the dental coverage including the \$.10 increase.

Councilperson Wood moved to renew the employee's dental insurance coverage with \$.10 increase, seconded by Councilperson DeWitt. Motion carried unanimously.

**COUNCIL ITEMS:**

\* **D. Haynes** - Wished employees & citizens Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. And be safe when traveling on the holidays.

\* **P. Haynes** - Wished everyone a Merry Christmas & Happy New Year.

\* **DeWitt** - Congratulations to Gene and Dave.

\* Wished everyone Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

\*Made a motion to have an Executive Session for personnel matters after the regular meeting, seconded by Councilperson Simms. Motion carried unanimously.

\* **Remke** - Merry Christmas to all and hopes everyone keeps Christ in Christmas.

\* **Wood** - Merry Christmas & Happy New Year.

\* Thanked everyone for their vote of confidence as Vice Mayor.

\* **Simms** - Congratulation to Gene and Dave as Mayor & Vice Mayor.

\* Wished everyone a Merry Christmas & Happy New Year.

Councilperson Simms moved to have an executive session for personnel matters, seconded by Councilperson P. Haynes. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting recessed at 7:34 p.m.

Meeting reconvened at 7:44 p.m.

Executive session began at 7:44 p.m.

Executive session recessed at 7:58 p.m.

Councilperson Simms moved to adjourn, seconded by Councilperson DeWitt. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

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Sondra J. Hewitt, City Clerk

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Eugene Saunders, Sr., Mayor