

**STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF MARSHALL, CITY OF MOUNDSVILLE,
JUNE 18, 2013**

The Council of the City of Moundsville met in regular session in the Council Chambers on June 18, 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 and Mayor Saunders. Absent: Wood (vac). Also present: City Manager Deanna J. Hess, Fire Chief Clarke, Police Chief Mitchell, Street Commissioner Richmond, Building Inspector Richmond, Attorney Thomas White, CPA Kathryn Goddard and City Clerk Hewitt.

MINUTES:

Regular Council Meeting of June 4, 2013.

Councilperson P. Haynes moved to accept and approve the minutes of the regular council meeting of June 4, 2013, seconded by Councilperson DeWitt. Motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL PUBLIC HEARING:

* **Patrick Kirby, WV Brownfields - Fostoria Project.** Mr. Kirby said he was pleased to announce the Certification of Completion was received for the Fostoria Project from the WV Department of Environmental Protection.

* **Tom Brown, GAB - Update on Fostoria Project.** Mr. Brown announced his main goal in this project is to relieve the City of Moundsville from any further liability. He also hopes to work close with the City of Moundsville to develop this property.

Councilperson Simms moved to receive and file the Certificate of Completion (COC), seconded by Councilperson P. Haynes. Motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

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. (Second Reading)

Attorney White read the following zone change 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, 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. (SECOND READING)

Councilperson Remke moved to accept and approve the zone change ordinance, seconded by Councilperson P. Haynes.

Mayor Saunders called for a voice vote. City Clerk announced the following tally. P Haynes, D. Haynes, DeWitt, Mayor Saunders, Simms and Remke voting yea. 6 yeas. Motion carried unanimously.

Other Items to be Discussed by Council.

* Councilperson Remke said he would like to see the Delta Queen be able to dock at the 13th Street boat docks but debris is still hung up in the dock area. Mayor Saunders noted that Recreation Director Baker contacted DNR who said the Corp of Engineers were going to take care of the docks. Councilperson Remke asked for a letter to be sent to the Corp of Engineers asking for a time frame on the cleanup.

* Councilperson D. Haynes reported garbage dumping on Western Avenue & DiRemigio Drive. Mr. Haynes asked if Manager Hess can meet with DOH to obtain Jersey Barriers.

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion and Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the City of Moundsville to Enter Into Annual Loans for Lease Purchase of Certain Items of Equipment for the City of Moundsville.

Councilperson Simms moved to approve the resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into annual loans for lease purchase for city equipment, seconded by Councilperson DeWitt. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion and Approval to Renew the Moundsville Volunteer Fire Department Contract.

Councilperson P. Haynes moved to renew the Moundsville Volunteer Fire Department contract, seconded by Councilperson Simms. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion and Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the City to Enter Into a Contractual Agreement with the Governors Community Partnership Program for a Grant Award of \$5,000 for Emergency Response Equipment for Police Cars.

Councilperson Remke moved to approve the resolution authorizing the city to enter into a contractual agreement for a grant award for emergency response equipment in the amount of \$5,000, seconded by Councilperson P. Haynes. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion and Approval of a Resolution for Budget Revision #3 of the 2012-2013 General Fund.

Councilperson Simms moved to approve the 2012-2013 General Fund budget revision #3, seconded by Councilperson DeWitt. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion and Approval of a Resolution for Budget Revision #2 of the 2012-2013 Coal Severance Fund.

Councilperson Simms moved to approve the 2012-2013 Coal Severance Fund budget revision #2, seconded by Councilperson DeWitt. Motion carried unanimously.

Other Items to be Discussed by Council.

* Councilperson Remke said he was on the Riverfront Walking Trail which looks great but asked for more patrol. On occasion individuals are hiding in the weeds. He asked for the possibility of officers patrolling the walking trail on bicycles.

Councilperson Remke moved to discuss at the finance meeting the possibility of purchase some kind of motorization for officers to patrol the walking trail, seconded by Councilperson Simms. Motion carried unanimously.

* Councilperson Simms suggested having a sign made to post at the Walking Trail that the trail is being maintained by the Moundsville Street Department.

* Councilperson Remke made a motion to discuss at the policy meeting the cities policy for cutting grass on private property then billing the property owner, seconded by Councilperson Simms. Motion carried unanimously.

MANAGER ITEMS:

* Manager Hess announced Business After Hours will be held at Grand Vue Park Shelter #1 June 27, 2013 hosted by Chesapeake Energy from 5-7 p.m. Please let Marilyn know if you wish to attend.

* Manager Hess announced the city advertised for members for the Moundsville Planning Commission with no response. If council knows of anyone interested in serving please let her know.

* City Manager Hess reported when the Historical Landmarks Commission was dissolved by

council there were only three members on the board. If council is considering recreating this commission members are needed to participate on the board.

* Manager Hess reminded council members of the Land Use is scheduled for June 26, 2013 from 6:00-8:00 p.m., at the MEDC Training Center.

Presentation of Legal Publications by Attorney White.

Attorney White presented legal ads published in the Moundsville Daily Echo to be received and filed by Council:

1. Zone Change Ordinance for 107 Thirteenth Street
2. Variance for 321 Sycamore Avenue
3. Paving Bids
4. Variance for 2408 Kanawha Street
5. Variance for 303 Morton Avenue
6. Variance for 28 Cherokee Drive

MAYOR ITEMS:

* Mayor Saunders said he was at the Riverfront Walking Trail with Councilperson Remke and praised the Street Department for the outstanding job they did at the walking trail.

* Mayor Saunders announced the Recreation Meeting is scheduled to Wednesday, June 19, 2013.

* Mayor Saunders noted that he addressed the high grass problems in his monthly news letter and asked if the trash in the rear of the Thorn Avenue property had been addressed. Building Inspector Richmond reported that he was addressing the problem.

COMMITTEE ITEMS:

Discussion of Recommendations by the Finance Committee.

1. Discussion of Advertising Bid Specifications for Fire Truck Purchase. Committee recommends Fire Chief to proceed with advertising.

Councilperson Simms moved to advertise bid specifications to purchase a Fire Truck, seconded by Councilperson DeWitt. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion of Recommendations by the Policy Committee.

1. Discussion of On-Trac Program. Committee recommends refer to Council for decision about proceeding.

Councilperson DeWitt moved to proceed with the On-Trac Program, seconded by Councilperson Remke.

Mayor Saunders called for a voice vote. City Clerk announced the following tally. Remke, Simms and DeWitt voting yea. Mayor Saunders, D. Haynes and P. Haynes voting nay. Tie vote, motion failed.

2. Discussion of Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Moundsville and Critical Incident Stress Management Services.

Councilperson Simms moved to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Moundsville and the Critical Incident Street Management Services, seconded by Councilperson Remke. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Discussion of Re-Instating the Historic Landmark Commission. Committee recommends forward to council for a vote.

Councilperson DeWitt moved to reinstate the Historic Landmark Commission and direct the City Attorney to draft the ordinance, seconded by Councilperson Remke. Motion carried unanimously.

COUNCIL ITEMS:

* **D. Haynes** - Asked if the city has an ordinance pertaining old tires left on properties. He was advised leaving old tires laying around is considered a public nuisance.

* **P. Haynes** - Asked Mayor Saunders if he would discuss Park View Playground at the next Recreation Meeting. He reported only 3 baby swings and 1 kid swing left at the playground.

* **Simms** - Spoke to Craig White who said he was going to meet with the Parks & Recreation concerning the parks. Mayor Saunders said that Mr. White was suppose to bring the board a proposal.

* Received complaints that East End ballfields needs dirt and some maintenance.

* Also received complaints that the house behind Salvation Army is still a mess. Building Inspector Richmond noted that he is addressing the problem again.

* **Remke** - Wish to thank the Mayor for going with him to the Riverfront Walking Trail and the area behind Ohio Ford Garage and Dorsey Street. Mr. Remke and Mayor Saunders were accompanied by a landscaper, botanical garden specialist and a bird specialist.

* Invited everyone to a board training seminar on July 23, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. at the MEDC Training Center.

* Reported a tree growing into electric lines behind Salvation Army. And reported 207½ Morton Avenue property is a mess. Building Inspector Richmond advised that she will be sent a summons to appear in court on July 18, 2013.

* **DeWitt** - Thanked Street Commissioner Richmond for providing the list of sidewalks they have removed or improved. Also commented how beautiful the Riverfront Walking Trail looks and thanked the Street Commissioner and department for their work.

* Mayor Saunders reminded council members the 150 Birthday Celebration for WV is at the Riverfront Park on Saturday, June 20, 2013 from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Sondra J. Hewitt, City Clerk

Eugene Saunders Sr, Mayor