

1 **STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF MARSHALL, CITY OF MOUNDSVILLE,**  
2 **SEPTEMBER 6, 2016**

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4 The Council of the City of Moundsville met in regular session in the Council Chambers on  
5 September 6, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

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7 Meeting was called to order by Mayor Eugene Saunders.

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9 Invocation by Councilperson Mark Simms.

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

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17 **Regular Council Meeting of August 16, 2016.**

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19 Vice Mayor Dewitt moved to accept and approve the minutes of the regular council meeting of  
20 August 16, 2016, seconded by Councilperson P. Haynes. Motion carried unanimously.

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22 **GENERAL PUBLIC HEARING:**

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24 \* Jane Klug, 2015 Jackson Street, Member of Friends of Moundsville Parks & Recreation, said  
25 the Friends would like to know council's decision on the Four Seasons Pool status. She also  
26 reported the dumpster in the parking lot above the pool is over flowing. She asked the city to  
27 possibly pick up the dumpster more than once per week.

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29 \* Lou Horacek, 1201 7<sup>th</sup> Street, said he was in support of Four Seasons Pool and feels it is a great  
30 asset to the City of Moundsville.

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32 \* Michelle Markey, 603 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, said she was the owner of the house that burned on 2<sup>nd</sup> Street  
33 and wanted council to know she was attempting to clean up the property.

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35 \* Karen Ali, 4 Four Sisters Court, said she was also in support of refurbishing the Four Seasons  
36 Pool.

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38 \* Carl Boso, 305 10<sup>th</sup> Street, asked Chief Mitchell if his officers addressed the list of vehicles he  
39 provided him. Chief advised they are working on the list. He also commented on Councilperson  
40 David Wood stepping down as Mayor and Gene Saunders being appointed Mayor. He feels  
41 Councilperson Wood shouldn't be permitted to stay on council if he resigned as Mayor.

1 Councilperson Wood explained to Mr. Boso that council appoints a Mayor from its peers. They  
2 appoint someone every year and are allowed to serve two consecutive years. So when he  
3 resigned as Mayor, he resumed his Second Ward Council position.  
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5 \* Jose Castro, 603 Second Street, said he was speaking for Michelle Markey, asking council to  
6 help make the process of her rebuilding the house go faster. He said they are discussing set backs  
7 and other issues before she is able to rebuild.  
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9 Councilperson Simms asked fellow council members, since Moundsville is now a Home Rule  
10 City, if they can streamline the process that Ms. Markey is going through? Councilperson Simms  
11 made a motion to discuss this matter at the Policy Meeting, seconded by Councilperson Wood.  
12 Motion carried unanimously.  
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#### 14 **OLD BUSINESS:**

#### 15 16 **Discussion and Approval of an Ordinance Pertaining to Amending City Code to Comply** 17 **With State Law Dealing with Fireworks (Second Reading)** 18

19 Attorney White read the following ordinance by title only to be passed by council on second  
20 reading:  
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#### 22 **AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MOUNDSVILLE, WEST** 23 **VIRGINIA, AMENDING THE CITY CODE 545.10 TO COMPLY WITH STATE LAW** 24 **PERMITTING THE SALE OF FIREWORKS, BUT PROHIBITING THE EXPLOSION** 25 **OR DETONATION OF FIREWORKS IN THE CITY OF MOUNDSVILLE (SECOND** 26 **READING)** 27

28 Councilperson D. Haynes made a motion to accept and approve the fireworks ordinance,  
29 seconded by Vice Mayor DeWitt.  
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31 Mayor Saunders called for a voice vote. City Clerk announced the following tally. 6 yeas.  
32 Motion carried unanimously.  
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#### 34 **Other Items to be Discussed by Council.**

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36 \* Councilperson DeWitt asked Manager Hess when paving will start? She advised at the end on  
37 September.  
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39 \* Councilperson Wood provided council with four hand-outs; 1) funding options for Four  
40 Seasons Pool and to discuss bonds and interest rates on loans for pool improvements; 2) Discuss  
41 a contracted person to assist the City Manager and Future Goals; 3) Announcement of the  
42 Mayor's Association meeting and proposed agenda on September 8 presenting Belmont County  
43 Commissioner Mark Thomas speaking on the proposed "Cracker Plant"; and 4) Announcement

1 of the Mayor's Association meeting and proposed agenda on September 22 presenting Mayor  
2 Steve Williams, Mayor of Huntington WV and Jim Johnson, Director of Huntington's Drug  
3 Control Policy.

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5 \* Councilperson Wood announced Community Day Celebration September 25, 2016 from 1-4  
6 p.m. Vice Mayor DeWitt will speak more on the event.

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8 **NEW BUSINESS:**

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10 **Discussion and Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Enter Into A**  
11 **Contract with Republic Services to Provide Recycling Services.**

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13 Attorney White said he did not have the resolution complete at this time. Vice Mayor DeWitt  
14 requested the resolution be ready at the next regular council meeting.

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

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18 \* Councilperson Wood requested the discussion of a proposed Charter Change for  
19 Mayor/Council form of Government.

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21 \* Councilperson Wood asked members of council wishing to ride in the Christmas Parade need  
22 to fill out forms he provided.

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24 \* Councilperson Wood asked Councilperson D. Haynes if the Water Board prohibits their  
25 employees from carrying weapons while on duty? Councilperson D. Haynes said the Water  
26 Board prohibits employees from carrying while on duty.

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28 \* Councilperson Wood feels council should take a stand in supporting the local Task Force, Ohio  
29 Valley Task Force and local Police Departments for the jobs they do trying to keep the Ohio  
30 Valley free of drugs.

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32 \* Vice Mayor DeWitt announced "Community Day" Celebration will be held on September 25,  
33 2016 from 1-4 p.m., there will be a car show, entertainment, photo shop, inflatables, face  
34 painting, hot dogs and pop. This is all free to the public. Also free swimming from 12-4 at Four  
35 Seasons Pool.

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37 **MANAGER ITEMS:**

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39 **Appointment to the Moundsville Planning Commission.**

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41 City Manager Hess announced that she appointed Richard Littell to the 3 year term on the  
42 Moundsville Planning Commission.

1 \* Manager Hess announced the paving will start the last part of September. There are two streets  
2 from the list the engineer is recalculating. He will have that information to the City Manager as  
3 soon as possible.

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5 \* Manager Hess read a “Thank You” note from the family of Guadalupe Hewitt.

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7 \* Manager Hess said she wanted citizens to know that employees, council and the City Manager  
8 do what they can to help all citizens. She also said she was happy to see most of the seats taken  
9 in the audience.

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11 **MAYOR ITEMS:**

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13 \* Mayor Saunders asked Manager Hess if Sanitary Superintendent has been able to look at the  
14 problem on Highland Avenue. Mrs. Hess said she wasn’t sure if he checked it yet but he intends  
15 to.

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17 \* Mayor Saunders said he hopes council moves forward on renovations at Four Seasons Pool.

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19 \* Mayor Saunders said he, Manager Hess and Recreation Director Baker met with Betsy  
20 Frohnafel of the Marshall County Commission and Craig White of Grand Vue to discuss the  
21 possibility of working together on some issues.

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23 **COMMITTEE ITEMS:**

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25 **Discussion of Recommendation by the Finance Committee.**

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27 Finance Committee will met on September 13, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.

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29 **Discussion of Recommendations by the Policy Committee.**

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31 Policy Committee will follow the finance meeting.

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33 **Discussion of Recommendation by the Traffic Committee.**

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35 Traffic Committee will follow the policy meeting.

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37 **COUNCIL ITEM:**

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39 \* **D. Haynes** - Said he has turned in work orders, work has been getting done and he never hears  
40 any complaints from employees or the City Manager concerning the work orders. They do a  
41 great job.

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\* **P. Haynes** - received complaints from the neighbors of loud music on Jefferson Avenue after curfew.

\* **DeWitt** - Asked if Sanitary Department checked the sink hole at 7<sup>th</sup> Street & Ash Avenue. Manager Hess said she gave Mr. Bonar the information.

\* Asked to pave a section at 300 10<sup>th</sup> Street due to a lot of traffic from Co-op and camping trailers.

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

\* **Simms** - Asked if Ms. Goddard had already checked on interest rates for loans. She said she could have some quotes for the committee meetings. Attorney White said the State doesn't like cities obtaining loans, they prefer bonds.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

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Sondra J. Hewitt, City Clerk

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Eugene Saunders, Sr., Mayor