

1 **STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF MARSHALL, CITY OF**
2 **MOUNDSVILLE, APRIL 4, 2017**

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4 The Council of the City of Moundsville met in regular session in the Council Chambers
5 on April 4, 2017 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 Allen Hendershot.

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11 Mayor Saunders called the roll and the following councilpersons were in attendance:
12 DeWitt, Haynes, Hendershot, Hunt, Remke and Mayor Saunders. Absent: Wood. Also
13 present: City Manager Deanna J. Hess, Fire Fighter Brandon, Police Chief Mitchell,
14 Street Department Foreman Wallace, CPA Kathryn Goddard, Attorney Thomas White,
15 and City Clerk Hewitt. Absent: Clarke and Stocklask.

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17 **Regular Council Meeting of March 21, 2017.**

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19 Councilperson Hunt moved to accept and approve the minutes of the regular council
20 meeting of March 21, 2017, seconded by Councilperson DeWitt. Motion carried
21 unanimously.

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23 **Special Council Meeting of March 27, 2017.**

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25 Councilperson DeWitt made a motion to accept and approve the minutes of the special
26 council meeting of March 27, 2017, seconded by Councilperson Hendershot. Motion
27 carried unanimously.

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29 **GENERAL PUBLIC HEARING:**

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31 * Jim Stultz, 1216 6th Street, thanked council for approving the 2017-2018 General Fund
32 Budget which includes funding for the Moundsville/Marshall County Library. Mr. Stultz
33 also announced that next week is National Library Week. If any citizens have past due
34 books from the library, the fee will be waived.

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36 **Jonathan Turak - Moundsville Water Board Attorney.**

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38 Mr. Turak was present to explain the process the Moundsville Water Board is taking to
39 lower the interest rate and borrowing cost on the loan agreement bonds. He said the
40 Water needs the City Manager and Council's approval.

1 **Pauline Boring, RSVP Assistant Director - Mayor's Proclamation National Service**
2 **Day of Recognition.**
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4 Ms. Boring presented and read the Proclamation acknowledging April 4, 2017 as National
5 Service Recognition Day and encouraged resident to recognize the positive impact of
6 national service in our county; to thank those who serve; and to find ways to give back to
7 their communities.
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9 Councilperson Hendershot made a motion to receive and file the proclamation, seconded
10 by Councilperson DeWitt. Motion carried unanimously.
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12 **OLD BUSINESS:**
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14 **Other Items to be Discussed by Council.**
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16 * Councilperson DeWitt thanked the MEDC and UMAC for having the trees trimmed on
17 Jefferson Avenue.
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19 * Councilperson Haynes said he is waiving his request from the previous council meeting
20 asking the City Manager for a report on the pool.
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22 * Councilperson Remke questioned fellow council members asking if they are going to
23 continue to lose \$307,000 per year on Parks & Recreation?
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25 * Councilperson Hunt recommended sending MEDC and UMAC a letter of appreciation
26 for having the trees on Jefferson Avenue trimmed.
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28 * Councilperson Hunt requested City Manager Hess to email the legislatures asking them
29 to support Senate Bill 562 concerning civil actions for damages brought against county
30 commissions and municipalities. This could also effect long term cost of cities liability
31 insurance.
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33 Mayor Saunders suggested City Manager Hess to draft a letter for council members and
34 Mayor to sign.
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36 * Councilperson Hendershot asked for an updated paving list. Manager Hess will provide
37 the list to council.
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39 * Councilperson Hendershot asked for an update on the Fostoria Avenue, Elm Avenue
40 and Ash Avenue bridges? Manager Hess said she is waiting to hear from DOH through

1 Belomar. Mayor Saunders added the grant requested by Belomar includes all three
2 bridges.

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4 * Councilperson Hendershot thanked Councilperson Haynes for his persistence for
5 keeping the bridges at the forefront of council's minds and hope to continue working on
6 them.

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8 * Councilperson Hendershot asked Manager Hess for any additional information on
9 leasing the Armory property. Mayor Saunders said he and Manager Hess are meeting
10 with the Mr. & Mrs. Bertram of the Fair Board to discuss the lease.

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12 * Councilperson Hendershot asked the City Manger and City Attorney to research the
13 status of the Campground at the Riverfront Park to determine if the property is controlled
14 by the Moundsville Building Commission or Parks & Recreation. Attorney White said
15 the property at the Riverfront was never deeded to the Building Commission. It is the
16 property of the City of Moundsville.

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18 **NEW BUSINESS:**

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20 **Discussion of an Resolution Authorizing and Approving the Execution of a**
21 **Supplemental and Amendatory Loan Agreement and Taking All Other Actions**
22 **Relating to Such Transaction.**

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24 Councilperson Hendershot made a motion to approve the resolution authorizing the
25 execution of a supplemental and amendatory loan agreement and taking all other actions
26 relating to such transaction, seconded by Councilperson Remke.

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28 Mayor Saunders called for a voice vote. City Clerk announced the following tally. 6
29 yeas. Motion carried unanimously.

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31 **Appointment to the Moundsville Sanitary & Stormwater Board.**

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33 Councilperson DeWitt made a motion to re-appoint Joe Richmond to the Moundsville
34 Sanitary & Stormwater Board, seconded by Councilperson Hunt. Motion carried
35 unanimously.

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37 **Receive and File the 2017-2018 Water Board Budget.**

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39 Councilperson DeWitt made a motion to receive and file the 2017-2018 Water Board
40 Budget, seconded by Councilperson Hendershot. Motion carried unanimously.

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

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3 * Councilperson Hendershot read a complaint in the Moundsville Echo concerning the
4 debris along the fence line of the former Fostoria property. And also complained of
5 storing the porta johns on the Volunteer Fire Department property. He asked Manager
6 Hess to contact the VFD and consider installing a fence around the porta johns.
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8 * Councilperson Hunt received a complaint from 33 Locust Avenue concerning water
9 running down Highland Avenue washing the gravel out of that alley. And reports of
10 some pot holes behind VFD.
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12 * Councilperson Hunt suggested speaking with Wendy Tronko, Independant Funding
13 Specialist and Grant Writer to assist with a capital fund raising campaign. The funds
14 could offset pool and recreation costs as well as other costs.
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16 * Councilperson Remke made a motion to discuss at the finance committee moving
17 forward with the RV park at the Riverfront if council does not pass the motion for Parks
18 & Recreation to oversee the project. Motion failed for lack of a second.
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20 * Councilperson Remke made a motion to discuss at the finance committee the need for
21 \$5,000 to be used to clean up the Valley Fork property by the Ohio County Jail inmates,
22 seconded by Councilperson Haynes. Motion carried unanimously.
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24 * Councilperson Haynes informed Councilperson Remke of the Water Bonds were in the
25 amount of \$8,190,237.00 as of June 30, 2016.
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27 * Councilperson DeWitt reiterated what Councilperson Hendershot said concerning the
28 article in the Echo about the Fostoria property. She also commented on the orange fence
29 that is falling down around the property. And reported a pipe near the bridge sticking out
30 of the concrete.
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32 * Councilperson DeWitt asked who was in charge of the ballfields at East End and Valley
33 Fork? She received a complaint that a man maybe from the ball association told a citizen
34 and his son who was practicing on the field that they were not allowed to be on those
35 fields.
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37 * Councilperson DeWitt said she feels the city should not be competing with other
38 campgrounds when deciding to have our own RV Park at the Riverfront? Councilperson
39 Hendershot said he had the same concerns.
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2 **MANAGER ITEMS:**
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4 * Manager Hess provided a printout from the Street Department of businesses using the
5 recycling bins.
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7 * Manager Hess thanked her Secretary, Marilyn Kaufman and City Clerk Sondra Hewitt
8 for taking care of things in her absence.
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10 **MAYOR ITEMS:**
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12 * Mayor Saunders reported meeting with Councilperson Remke at Valley Fork Park, the
13 WV DNR and the Corp of Engineers to look at the erosion of the creek bank.
14 Councilperson Remke commented on the beavers building dams also.
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16 **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**
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18 **Discussion and Approval of Recommendations by the Finance Committee.**
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20 The finance meeting on Tuesday, April 11, 2017 at 5:00 p.m.
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22 **Discussion and Approval of Recommendations by the Policy Committee.**
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24 The policy meeting will follow the finance meeting.
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26 **Discussion and Approval of Recommendations by the Traffic Committee.**
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28 The traffic meeting will follow the policy meeting.
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30 **COUNCIL ITEMS:**
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32 * **Hendershot** - Nothing at this time.
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34 * **Hunt** - Welcome back to City Manager Hess.
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36 * **Remke** - Welcome back City Manager.
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38 * Request council to ask the WV DOT for assistance in moving the Welcome
39 Moundsville sign at the north end of Moundsville.
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1 * Had citizen ask about 25 mph signs on Jefferson Avenue Extension. The speed limit
2 will not change until the Jefferson Avenue Extension project is completed.
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4 * Reported the small bridge on Jefferson Avenue Extension by the cemetery entrance
5 need some repairs also.
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7 * Haynes - Reported the WV DOT had a meeting on Jefferson Avenue Extension earlier
8 today (4-4-17).
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10 * Thanked Mr. Jim Stultz for speaking on the Library.
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12 * DeWitt - Asked when the docks will be done? Mayor Saunders said they will be built
13 before summer. Manager Hess said DNR was supposed to start on March 17 and be
14 finished by June 30, 2017.
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16 * Made a suggestion to move the Welcome wall to the Riverfront Park.
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18 * Announced that she organized a First Responder picture day for all of Marshall County
19 First Responders, State, County and City Police Departments, all Fire Departments and
20 Volunteers. This will be held in May at John Marshall High School. Gaughenbaugh
21 Photography will donate a picture for the individuals personnel files.
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23 * Mayor Saunders said the Leo's Club has, in the passed, presented retiring police
24 officers with awards.
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26 Councilperson DeWitt made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilperson Haynes.
27 Motion carried unanimously.
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29 Meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.
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Sondra J. Hewitt, City Clerk

Eugene Saunders, Sr., Mayor