

1 **STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF MARSHALL, CITY OF**
2 **MOUNDSVILLE, SEPTEMBER 19, 2017**

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4 The Council of the City of Moundsville met in regular session in the Council Chambers
5 on September 5, 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 was given by Councilperson Allen Hendershot.

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11 City Clerk Hewitt called the roll and the following Councilpersons were in attendance:
12 DeWitt, Hendershot, Hunt, Remke, Wood and Mayor Saunders. Absent: Haynes. Also
13 present were City Manager Hess, Fire Chief Clarke, Police Chief Mitchell, Public Works
14 Director Stocklask, Building Inspector Richmond, CPA Kathryn Goddard and City
15 Attorney White.

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17 **MINUTES:**

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19 **Regular Council Meeting of September 5, 2017.**

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21 Councilperson DeWitt made a motion to accept and approve the minutes of the regular
22 council meeting of September 5, 2017, seconded by Councilperson Hendershot. Motion
23 carried unanimously.

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25 **GENERAL PUBLIC HEARING:**

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27 * Lester Tasker, 1407 Tenth Street, asked why officers aren't patrolling more. He
28 reported that somebody stole from him and wants to know if they caught the person. He
29 wanted officers to call him.

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31 **OLD BUSINESS:**

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

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35 * Councilperson DeWitt asked Manager Hess for an update on the sink hole at 7th & Ash
36 Avenue. Manager Hess said that Sanitary Department Superintendent Bonar was aware
37 of the problem and had it on his list to address.

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39 * Councilperson DeWitt asked for an update on the RV Park. Manager Hess said things
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1 are moving along, just waiting on the electric company. Also, working on the rules and
2 regulations.

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4 * Councilperson DeWitt asked Fire Chief Clarke on a time frame for tearing down the
5 Jefferson Avenue building that was previously on fire? Chief Clarke said the owners are
6 hoping to have it down by the end of September.

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8 * Councilperson Wood asked if the Kickball Tournament was still scheduled? Mayor
9 Saunders said it was scheduled for Saturday, September 23rd, 9:00 a.m. at St. Jude Park
10 in Glendale.

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12 * Councilperson Wood commented on the concessions at the Riverfront Park saying
13 people don't realize it is open. Manager Hess said the Park Director closed the
14 concessions due to no sales.

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16 * Councilperson Wood saying paving equipment at 5th & Tomlinson Avenue. Is Klug's
17 starting to pave that intersection? Manager Hess said they are ready to pave.

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19 * Councilperson Wood asked if Parks Director Baker is connected with the person who is
20 suppose to work on the pool? Manager Hess said Mr. Baker received a card from the
21 individual in the mail.

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23 * Councilperson Hunt asked to make a matter of record concerning an article published in
24 the News Register that she noted to delay moving forward with the proposed Sports
25 Complex. It was being confused with the Master Plan of the Four Seasons Pool. She
26 noted she is 100% in favor of moving forward with the Sports Complex.

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28 **NEW BUSINESS:**

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30 **Discussion and Approval of an Ordinance Repealing Section Pertaining to the**
31 **Vacant Registration Fee and Revising the Section Pertaining to Uninhabitable**
32 **Structures. (First Reading)**

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

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37 **AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MOUNDSVILLE,**
38 **WEST VIRGINIA, AMENDING AND RE-ENACTING ARTICLE 1107 OF THE**
39 **MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF MOUNDSVILLE TO REPEAL THE**
40 **PORTION THEREOF RELATING TO REGISTRATION OF VACANT**

1 **BUILDING AND TO CONTINUE TO PROVIDE FOR REGISTRATION OF**
2 **UNINHABITABLE BUILDINGS, FEES, COLLECTION METHODS, LIENS AND**
3 **PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS (FIRST READING)**
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5 Councilperson Remke made a motion to accept and approve the above ordinance,
6 seconded by Councilperson Hunt.
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8 Mayor Saunders called for a voice vote. City Clerk Hewitt announced the following tally.
9 6 yeas. Motion carried unanimously.
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11 **Discussion and Approval of an Ordinance to Abolish the Parks & Recreation Board**
12 **and Create a Parks & Recreation Advisory Board. (First Reading)**
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14 Attorney White read the following ordinance by title only to be passed by council on first
15 reading:
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17 **AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MOUNDSVILLE,**
18 **WEST VIRGINIA, ABOLISHING THE BOARD OF PARK AND RECREATION**
19 **COMMISSIONERS AND CREATING IN ITS PLACE A BODY TO BE KNOWN AS**
20 **THE PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD, WHICH IS WILL AND ADVISORY**
21 **BOARD TO THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MOUNDSVILLE. (FIRST**
22 **READING)**
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24 Councilperson Wood made a motion to approve the above ordinance, seconded by
25 Councilperson DeWitt for discussion.
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27 After discussion, Councilperson DeWitt made a motion the Advisory Board should
28 include the City Manager and the Parks & Recreation Director as non voting members,
29 ex-officio members, seconded by Councilperson Remke. Motion carried unanimously.
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31 Mayor Saunders called for a vote on the ordinance as amended. City Clerk Hewitt called
32 for a voice vote. 4 yeas, 2 nays. Remke and Saunders voting nay. Motion carried.
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34 **Discussion and Approval of a Resolution Supporting the WV Road Bond**
35 **Amendment.**
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37 Vice Mayor Wood made a motion to approve the resolution supporting the WV Road
38 Bond Amendment, seconded by Councilperson DeWitt. Motion carried unanimously.
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1 **Discussion and Approval of a Resolution Supporting the Development of Rt 2 and I-**
2 **68 Projects Through the WV Roads Amendment.**

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4 Councilperson Remke made a motion to approve the resolution supporting the
5 development of Rt.2 and I-68 Projects through the WV Roads Amendment, seconded by
6 Councilperson DeWitt. Motion carried unanimously.
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8 **Other Items to be Discussed by Council.**

9 * Councilperson Hunt announced the Historic Landmarks Commission is planning a yard
10 sale October 19 from 4-8 p.m., to be at the Moundsville Training Center.
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12 * Vice Mayor Wood requested that all businesses who donated to the Community Day
13 event be published in the newspaper expressing the city's appreciation.
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15 * Vice Mayor Wood said he read in the Stormwater Board minutes of a resident from
16 Clinton Avenue who called the Department of Environmental Protection concerning
17 discolored run off from his stormwater drains. Vice Mayor Wood asked if that was the
18 city's responsibility? Manager Hess said the Sanitary Department has been checking into
19 the water run off.
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21 * Councilperson DeWitt reported a tree had fallen near the top of Rt. 2 on Jefferson
22 Avenue Extension. She said kids that walk to school are walking near or into the street.
23 Public Works Director Stocklask said he contracted DOH concerning the tree
24 approximately 2 weeks ago.
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26 * Vice Mayor Wood also reported junk vehicles in the rear of Home Towne
27 Transportation, which is located on Jefferson Avenue Extension near Rt. 2. Chief
28 Mitchell said he has seen them.
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30 **MANAGER ITEMS:**

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32 * Manager Hess received a call from DNR concerning the letter inquiring on a date they
33 will be available for a ribbon cutting for the boat docks. Mr. Preston will get back with
34 Manager Hess on a date for the ribbon cutting, maybe late October in the afternoon.
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36 * Business After Hours will be on September 28 from 5-7 hosted by Perkins Restaurant.
37 Any council members wishing to attend please call Marilyn.
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39 * Annual Chamber Dinner is scheduled for October 5, 2017 at the Moundsville Training
40 Center. Social Hour is 5:00 p.m., dinner at 6:00 p.m. Tickets are \$45. Oliver Luck will

1 be guest speaker. Manager Hess asked council to contact Marilyn if you are interested in
2 attending.

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4 * Manager Hess noted that Klug Brothers will be paving the intersection of 5th Street &
5 Tomlinson Avenue.

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7 **MAYOR ITEMS:**

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9 * Mayor Saunders reported a Ford Explorer at Jackson Street & Pine Avenue with a flat
10 tire. Chief Mitchell said he is aware of the vehicle.

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12 * Mayor Saunders informed council of a parking incident concerning a vehicle that was
13 towed from Jefferson Avenue before the UMAC Fall Festival.

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15 **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

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17 **Discussion of Recommendations by the Finance Committee.**

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19 1. Discussion of Sanitation Pole Building Bid. Committee recommends to place on
20 council agenda and accept the low bid.

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22 Vice Mayor Wood made a motion to award the low bid of \$319,541.00 to Quality
23 Buildings of Millersburg OH, seconded by Councilperson DeWitt. Motion carried
24 unanimously.

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26 2. Discussion of Cost for Master Plan Proposal by Civil & Environmental Consultants
27 Inc., (Jim Christie) for Moundsville the Parks & Recreation. Committee recommends to
28 approve the proposal.

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30 Vice Mayor Wood made a motion to approve the quote from Civil & Environmental
31 Consultants Inc of \$24,400.00 for Moundsville Parks & Recreation Master Plan,
32 seconded by Councilperson Remke. Motion carried unanimously.

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34 3. Discussion of Donation to the Youth Club of Marshall County. Committee
35 recommends donating \$50.

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37 Vice Mayor Wood made a motion to donate \$50 to the Marshall County Youth Club,
38 seconded by Councilperson DeWitt. Motion carried unanimously.

1 4. Discussion of Reimbursement to Recreation Director for Fees Paid for the Beast of the
2 East Tournament. Committee recommends reimbursing Recreation Director \$250.

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4 Vice Mayor Wood made a motion to reimburse Parks & Recreation Director Mark Baker
5 \$250 for the Beast of the East Tournament, seconded by Councilperson Hunt.

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7 Mayor Saunders called for a voice vote. City Clerk Hewitt announced the tally 5 yeas, 1
8 nay. Hendershot voting nay. Motion carried.

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10 5. Discussion of Proposal for Board of Education's Assistance with Four Seasons Pool.
11 Committee recommends compile a cost analysis of estimated loss revenues to be
12 presented at a later time to the Marshall County Board of Education.

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14 Councilperson Hendershot said he met with Manager Hess, CPA Kathryn Goddard and
15 Parks & Rec Director Mark Baker where they laid out the theory of the request and
16 number needed to present to the Board.

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

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20 1. Discussion of Prospective Recreation Center at East End from Eric Tucker.
21 Committee recommends to discuss information provided by Mr. Tucker at the October
22 sub committee meeting.

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24 Councilperson Hendershot conformed no action was taken, however, he made a comment
25 that not only was Councilperson Hunt's vote erroneously recorded but erroneously
26 recorded that Councilperson Wood recommended the Sports Complex proposal be passed
27 immediately. Councilperson Wood's recommendation to pass immediately was the
28 Master Plan proposal by Mr. Jim Christie. So those errors led to a article that was
29 erroneous which led to an editorial based on erroneous information. He asked that the
30 journalist be more accurate in reporting of council meetings.

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

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34 1. Councilperson Hendershot and Councilperson DeWitt had previously suggested
35 paving the intersection at 5th Street & Tomlinson Avenue with unused funds from the
36 Municipal Fee.

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38 Councilperson Hendershot noted that 5th Street & Tomlinson Avenue is being paved.

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40 **COUNCIL ITEMS:**

1 * **Remke** - Congratulated UMAC and MEDC on what he hopes was a great
2 Elizabethtown and Fall Festival success.

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4 * **Hunt** - Thanked UMAC and MEDC for the Fall Festival and Elizabethtown events. It
5 was a great success.

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7 * Announced Appalachian Outreach will sponsor their annual Fall Event on October 7
8 from 10-3 at the Moundsville Training Center. Appalachian Outreach is also involved in
9 the long term recovery plan with the City of McMechen.

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11 * Commended the Sanitation Department for the great job they do and feels the workers
12 do not get enough praise.

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14 * **Hendershot** - Asked that Craig White be contracted again to appear on the agenda for
15 the next regular council meeting concerning the CVB financial statement.

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17 * Asked Manager Hess to invite the Bass Masters to the ribbon cutting of boat docks
18 since they used them frequently.

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20 * Asked Attorney White to research the perimeters of towing companies.

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22 * Said the City of Benwood has their American Flag flying and it is beautiful!
23 Councilperson Hunt said council will be invited to the ceremony.

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

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27 * **DeWitt** - Will be out of town for the Kickball Tournament, but would enjoy watching
28 it.

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30 * Said she would like to see 8th Street & Tomlinson Avenue be paved since it is a heavy
31 traveled intersection.

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33 Councilperson DeWitt made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilperson Remke.
34 Motion carried unanimously.

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36 Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

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Sondra J. Hewitt, City Clerk

Eugene Saunders, Sr., Mayor