

TOWN OF STAR CITY
Council Meeting
May 23, 2017
7:00 P.M.

Mayor Reid, led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance, calling the Star City Council to order.

ATTENDANCE:

Mayor Herman Reid	Councilor Darla Brown
Recorder Janice Price (absent)	Councilor Dominick Claudio (absent)
Treasurer Lea Hassler	Councilor Todd Gregg
Attorney Paul Cranston	Councilor Emma Luzader
Chief of Police Victor Propst	Councilor Jackie Renner
Public Works Supervisor – Kevin Nuce	Code Official – (none)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilor Luzader requested the following correction be made to the minutes:

- Chief Propst's report - *change "generator" to "incinerator"*
- New Business – June Council Meeting Schedule – *change from "motion to approve council meeting" to "motion to move council meeting"*.

Motion to approve the minutes with the above- mentioned corrections as prepared by Recorder Price:

1. Councilor Renner
2. Councilor Brown

Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Bills to be Paid:

Treasurer Lea Hassler presented the bills to be paid in the amount of \$35,526.56 dated May 23, 2017.

Councilor Luzader – inquired to the \$2,300 invoice for police computers. Chief Propst informed that the invoice was for hardware for 5 cars to support 5 donated computers that were received from the Governor's Highway Safety Program.

Motion to pay the bills as presented:

1. Councilor Brown
2. Councilor Renner

Motion carried.

Financial Statement:

Motion to accept the Financial Statement as presented by Treasurer Lea Hassler:

1. Councilor Luzader
2. Councilor Brown

Motion carried.

SPECIAL SPEAKERS/PRESENTATIONS:

Gina Desmond – ADA Disability Rights of WV – re-scheduled for next council meeting

CITIZENS:

Jeanette Baniak, 443 Pleasant Hill Avenue, Star City, WV – she is still observing snakes in the alley near her residence and requested the lots be cleaned.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Adoption of Article 941 Franchise Agreement and Article 942 Conduits, Pole and Wires -

Motion to table the Adoption of Article 941 Franchise Agreement and Article 942 Conduits, Poles and Wires:

1. Councilor Luzader
2. Councilor Brown

Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Ordinance Committee:

Councilor Luzader reported that the committee met Thursday, May 11, 2017 at 6:15 p.m.

- Attendees: Councilors Emma Luzader and Darla Brown, Recorder Janice Price and Willa Jarvis (citizen).
- The committee continued to review the draft of a Franchise Application for Utility Facilities in Public Rights of Way.
- The next meeting has not been scheduled.

Beautification Committee:

Councilor Brown reported that the committee met on Monday, May 15, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

- Attendees:
 - Committee Members Darla Brown, Emma Luzader, Kevin Nuce Bob Musick, Willa Jarvis and Janice Price
 - Citizens: Jeanette Baniak, Cindy Ulrich and Caroline Bower
- Finalized plans for the Memorial Day Program to be held on Monday, May 29th at 10:30 a.m. at the Veteran's Memorial.
- Guest speakers to include Mr. James Merrill, a former MP in the US Marines and a former State Trooper
- Mr. Denny Poluga, a Vietnam Veteran who served in the U.S. Army

(CONTINUED):

- Kevin Nuce and his staff will take care of rental chairs, canopies, podium and microphones.
 - o Councilors Brown and Renner pulled weeds in the area
 - o Recorder Price and the Beautification Committee will be planting flowers
 - o Councilor Gregg will provide a gas trimmer to assist
 - o Councilor Brown requested that the Tug Depot area be cleaned
- Newspaper ads to run Friday, May 26th and Sunday, May 28th.
- Tug Boat Depot to be closed from 9:00 a.m. to noon.
- The next meeting will be held on Monday, June 5th at 6:15 p.m. at City Hall.

SUPERVISOR REPORTS:

Chief Propst –

- Booklets are available regarding Identify Fraud and it was requested that council assist in providing to town residents.
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Public Works Supervisor Kevin Nuce –

- Water break on Leeway Street has been repaired
- Request for the purchase of a camera snake for sewer systems
- Mayor Reid informed that his is working with Bradley Jakeway regarding locust trees infringing on his property.

Motion to purchase a camera snake in the amount of \$7,207.37

1. Councilor Luzader
2. Councilor Renner

Roll call: AYES: Gregg, Luzader, Brown, Renner, Reid. NOES: 0 Motion carried.

ATTORNEY COMMENTS: none

NEW BUSINESS:

Parking Concerns: Councilor Brown has received numerous concerns regarding vehicles parking in front of businesses obstructing the view for vehicles needing to turn on to the highway. Mayor Reid will request an officer assess the various locations.

Hiring of Utility Clerk: Motion to hire Chessica King as the city's Utility Work with a start date of May 30, 2017:

1. Councilor Luzader
2. Councilor Brown

Motion carried.

Proposed Roundabout at Intersection of University and Collins Ferry Road –

Discussion was held regarding this project. Mayor Reid requested that a referendum be submitting in opposition of the roundabout based on the negative feedback he has received along with signed petitions of opposition.

(CONTINUED):

Motion for Treasurer Lea Hassler to draft a Referendum for council approval to be sent to the Department of Highways in opposition of the roundabout:

1. Councilor Brown
2. Councilor Gregg

Motion carried.

MUB Purchase of 84 Lumber Property – Mayor Reid expressed concerns that if MUB moves forward with what he understands they are planning with offices and parking, there are B&O tax and zoning concerns. Treasurer Lea Hassler will send a letter to MUB advising the zoning laws for their review before any type of application is submitted.

Parking for MUB Project at City Garage – Mayor Reid has been in negotiations regarding the city's property on #8 Hollow that the city garage occupies. Cameras and various other maintenance initiatives will be taken on by the renter and a current monthly rate is still under negotiation.

DQE Communications – Mayor Reid indicated there is nothing further to report on this project.

Finance Meeting: Mayor Reid informed that a Finance Meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 30th at 3:30 p.m. at City Hall to address concerns regarding Storm Water billing. Citizens in the audience were encouraged to attend.

Councilor Luzader – inquired to the following:

- Status of contractor and sub-contractor registration and payment of associated fees for those conducting or intending to conduct business in the town.
- Status of overgrown grass on Constantine property on Leeway.
- Status of storm water billing

Councilor Renner – Inquired of the status of the proposed Aldi's. Mayor Reid indicated that the project is still on, no date for construction has been determined.

PERMITS: none

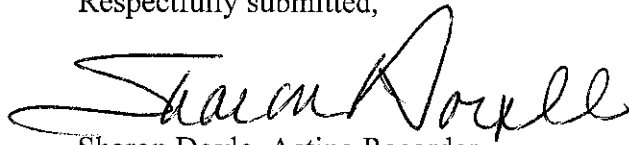
ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn the meeting of the Star City Council at 7:50 p.m.


1. Councilor Brown
2. Councilor Renner

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Sharon Doyle".

Sharon Doyle, Acting Recorder

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Herman Reid".

Herman Reid, Mayor