

TOWN OF STAR CITY
Council Meeting
December 20, 2016
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 (Absent)
Recorder Janice Price	Councilor Dominick Claudio
Treasurer Lea Hassler	Councilor Todd Gregg
Attorney Paul Cranston	Councilor Emma Luzader
Chief of Police Victor Propst	Councilor Jackie Renner
Code Official David Friend	Public Works – Kevin Nuce

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion to approve the minutes as prepared by Recorder Price with corrections.

1. Councilor Renner
2. Councilor Claudio

Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Bills to be Paid:

Treasurer Lea Hassler presented the bills to be paid in the amount of \$ 80,248.73 dated Dec. 20, 2016.

Motion to pay the bills as presented:

1. Councilor Claudio
2. Councilor Renner

Motion carried

Financial Statement:

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

1. Councilor Claudio
2. Councilor Gregg

Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Petition for Annexation 1401 – 1404 Cain Street – Motion to table this item until the next council meeting.

- 1) Councilor Claudio
- 2) Councilor Luzader

Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: None

SUPERVISOR'S REPORTS:

- **Chief Propst:** The Chief reported that Shop with a Cop went very well. There were 112 children present that evening and the Chief stated that there was a generous outpouring of donations from the community.
- **Public Works Supervisor, Kevin Nuce** – Doing regular maintenance.
- **Code Official David Friend** – Conducting miscellaneous inspections.

ATTORNEY'S COMMENTS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

3 Council Meetings in January – Jan. 3rd, Jan, 17th & Jan. 31st – Motion to cancel the council meeting scheduled for Tuesday, Jan. 3rd.

1. Councilor Luzader
 2. Councilor Claudio
- Motion carried.

Employee Annual Increment Supplement – Motion to not approve the Employee Annual Increment Supplement

1. Councilor Luzader
 2. Councilor Gregg
- Motion carried.

PERMITS:

St. Mary's Church, 3334 University Avenue- Dave Friend stated that the addition/renovations to the church conform to code and are scheduled to begin the first of the year. Motion to approve the permit for the addition/renovations at 3334 University Avenue.

1. Councilor Luzader
 2. Councilor Claudio
- Motion carried.

CITIZENS:

James Gaston, 1388 Fenwick St., Morgantown, WV – Mr. Gaston spoke about the building on the corner of University Ave. and Chipps Hollow. He stated that earth was pushed over the hill and no tow was created. He also said there was no detail on the permit and no survey was indicated being done on the permit. Mr. Gaston feels that the town cannot continue to allow these things to go on.

Shelly Cardi, 3467 University Ave., Star City, WV – Ms. Cardi is opening an office in Star City. She stated she cares about the town and is unhappy with what's going on with council. She feels that we need to look at what's good for the collective good – what's good for everyone not an individual. Hope that the toxicity subsides.

Dan Miller, 121 Cobblestone Circle, Morgantown, WV – Mr. Miller thanked everyone for approving the kayak launch on Star City's property which he said he has used a lot.

Sylvia Buzby, 510 Crawford Ave., Star City, WV - Ms. Buzby inquired about the following items:

1. What is going on at St. Mary's Church?
2. What is happening with Aldi's?
3. Anything new on the trail extension?
4. Is there any way we can find out what's going on in the town without coming to the meetings?

Tracy DeFreitas, 600 Herman Ave., Star City, WV – Ms. DeFreitas stated that she and her wife built a home in Star City because they like the town. She feels like the area is inviting to new residents and businesses. She supports the improvements being done in Star City by Dominick.

Chris Sellaro, 1299 Jacobs Drive, Morgantown, WV - Mr. Sellaro has concerns how the building/re-modeling is being done on the corner of University Ave. and Chippis Hollow. He stated that when he was building Dollar General and Timothy Place he had to have his permits completely filled out. He said when he looked for at the permits submitted by Mr. Claudio that they are hand drawn and the plans were not done professionally. He said there was no health dept. permit and no asbestos testing done. He also stated that there was no engineering done and that all plans need to be approved. He expressed concerns that because someone is on council, they should not be given preferential treatment but be held to the same standards as everyone else.

Perry Jo DeChristopher, 571 Herman Ave., Star City, WV - Ms. DeChristopher complimented Dominick on the improvements he has made on University Ave. She stated that he took two buildings that were former bars and turned them into attractive businesses and supports his interest in improving the community.

Matt Koepke, D.D.S., 3483 University Ave., Star City, WV – Dr. Koepke is an oral surgeon who stated he relocated from South Carolina to open a practice in Star City. He stated he could have relocated anywhere but chose to come here because he feels there is a lot of potential in this area for growth.

Dominick Claudio, 432 Herman Ave., Star City (spoke as a citizen) – Mr. Claudio stated that he felt he was following the rules as laid out for him. He indicated that he was released by the state today for asbestos in his building. He said the parking lot at the back of his building was an afterthought. He wants what is best for the town and is willing to speak with anyone regarding any issues or concerns they have regarding this project.

ADJOURNMENT:

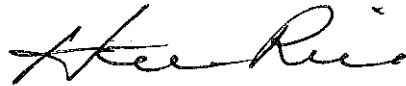
Motion to adjourn the meeting of the Star City Council at 7:45 p.m.

1. Councilor Renner
 2. Councilor Gregg
- Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Janice Price, Recorder



Herman Reid, Mayor