

**TOWN OF STAR CITY**  
**Council Meeting**  
**September 5, 2023**  
**6:00 P.M.**

**PRELIMINARIES:**

Mayor Doyle recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor Doyle called the meeting to order.

**ATTENDANCE:**

Mayor - Sharon Doyle	Recorder - Steven A. Blinco
Chief of Police - Jessica Colebank	Councilor - Todd Gregg (ABSENT)
Treasurer - Lea Hassler	Councilor - Lynette DeChristopher
Town Attorney - Stranko / Wrobleski	Councilor - Dr. Gregory Epps
Public Works - Phillip Davis	Councilor - Andy Laskody
Code Enforcement - Bob Doyle	Councilor - Jim Morris

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Motion to approve the minute from the previous meeting.

1. Councilor Epps
2. Councilor Laskody

Motion carried.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

**Bills to be Paid:**

Motion to pay the bills as presented in the amount of \$129,315.81

1. Councilor Epps
2. Councilor DeChristopher

Motion carried.

**SPECIAL SPEAKERS / PRESENTATIONS: (NONE)**

**CITIZENS: (NONE)**

**MAYOR'S COMMENTS:**

WV DOH

- Response received.
- Sidewalks along University Avenue (not ADA compliant)

- Town must apply for grants for the project
- University Avenue / Paving List for 2025

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

*Proposed Pickball Court*

- Research is continuing

*MRTC – Memorandum of Agreement (Van Voorhis Property)*

- Revised / Recommendations made by the Council (Will be resubmitted)

*Animal & Fowl Ordinance Updates*

- In the process of preparing a 1<sup>st</sup> Draft for Reading at the next Council Meeting

*Increase in Garbage Rate Recommendations*

\*\*\*After much review, research, consideration, and input from Council

Motion to approve an increase in garbage rates (15% Star City / 20% non-Star City).

1. Councilor DeChristopher
2. Councilor Morris

Motion carried.

*Stormwater Ordinance Update*

- Research is continuing

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Planning Committee (Comprehensive Plan)

- Public Notice (Comp Plan is out for review)

**SUPERVISOR’S REPORTS:**

**Treasurer – Lea Hassler**

- RFP (Waiting for a response)
- New Software is totally converted (\*\*See New Water Bills)

**Code Enforcement – Bob Doyle**

*BZA Meeting results:*

- Texas Roadhouse (George) / Sign Variance Approved
- PACE / Alley Variance Approved – Parking Area Variance Denied

*MUB (ROW Agreement)*

- DEP Approved - Brownfield Property

*City Hall Maintenance (Issues)*

- Downspout / Drainage problems
- Water damage to floors, walls, and concerns of mold
- May need to consider Emergency Repairs

**Public Works - Phillip Davis**

- Bid Meeting (Paving) / September 12, 2023 @ 6:00 (Council Chambers)
- (4) Water Breaks around Town since August 15
- Grass and Weed Cutting continues
- Still looking to hire for positions

**Chief of Police - Jessica Colebank**

- Submitted an August "Month in Review" to Council
- New Officer Training (Jujitsu)
- K-9 Race (Participated)
- Officer Gamble finish up at the Training Academy
- Presented a rough schematic for a future SCPD Headquarters

**RECORDER'S COMMENTS:**

MMMPO

- Vulnerable Road User Assessment Meeting (9/6/23 @ 4:30 @ Mountain Line)
- Grant (Nailler Foundation)
- Awaiting Grant Application Review

**ATTORNEY'S COMMENTS:**

Jenny Wrobleski (Co-Town Attorney of Star City)

- MRTC Agreement Discussed
- Updates to Animal Ordinance Discussed (Chief Colebank)

**NEW BUSINESS:**

*George Property Fence Approval (Toddler Swing)*

Motion to approve the purchase and installation of a toddler swing at George Property.

3. Recorder Blinco
  4. Councilor Epps
- Motion carried.

*Employee Pay Raise*

Motion to approve an employee pay raise (after 9-month period) for Kyle Latocha.

1. Councilor Epps
2. Councilor DeChristopher

Motion carried.

*Appoint Audit Committee – FY 2023-24 Audits*

Motion to approve the appointment of Treasurer Hassler, Mayor Doyle, & Councilor Epps for the Audit Committee.

1. Councilor DeChristopher
2. Recorder Blinco

Motion carried.

*Independent Living Ordinance Update*

Motion to amend the current ordinance to update the Independent Living Ordinance.

1. Councilor Gregg
2. Councilor Epps

\*\*\* Concerns raised & noted about future Code Enforcement Officials

ROLL CALL VOTE:

DeChristopher – Y / Blinco – Y / Doyle – Y / Laskody – N / Morris – Y / Epps – Y

Motion Carried.

*Ordinance to Approve FY2023 Replacement Pages to Codified Ordinances*

Motion to approve the FY2023 Replacement Pages to Codified Ordinances.

1. Councilor DeChristopher
2. Councilor Epps

Motion carried.

*Keystone-City Hall Maintenance*

\*\*\*Discussions among Council / Insight on the topic from Bob Doyle & Phil Davis

Motion to approve the Keystone contract for Emergency Repairs to City Hall.

1. Councilor Epps

2. Councilor Laskody  
Motion carried.

A Note to All Citizens:

\*\*\*Emergency work to begin immediately at the City Hall building.

\*\*Anticipating a few weeks to complete all repairs.

\*Thank You for your patience!

**PERMITS: (NONE)**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion to adjourn at 7:09 P.M.

1. Councilor DeChristopher
  2. Councilor Laskody
- Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Steven A. Blinco, Star City Recorder



Sharon Doyle, Star City Mayor