

TOWN OF STAR CITY
Council Meeting
September 19, 2023
6:00 P.M.

PRELIMINARIES:

Acting Mayor Blinco recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

CALL TO ORDER:

Acting Mayor Blinco called the meeting to order.

ATTENDANCE:

Mayor - Sharon Doyle (ABSENT)	Recorder - Steven A. Blinco
Star City Police - Lt. White	Councilor - Todd Gregg
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 (ABSENT)	Councilor - Jim Morris

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion to approve the minute from the previous Council Meeting on September 5.

1. Councilor Gregg
2. Councilor Epps

Motion carried.

Motion to approve the minute from the Special Meeting (Pave Bids) on September 12.

1. Councilor Epps
2. Councilor Gregg

Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Bills to be Paid:

Motion to pay the bills as presented in the amount of \$82,800.71

1. Councilor Gregg
2. Councilor DeChristopher

Motion carried.

Financial Report:

Motion to approve financial report (August 30, 2023) presented by Treasurer Hassler.

1. Councilor DeChristopher
2. Councilor Epps

Motion carried.

SPECIAL SPEAKERS / PRESENTATIONS: (NONE)

CITIZENS: (NONE)

MAYOR'S COMMENTS: (NONE)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

MRTC – Memorandum of Agreement (Van Voorhis Property)

Ella Belling – MRTC (Briefed the Council)

- Thanked Town for over a decade of history working together on this property
- Concerns over the Term / Time of the agreement
- A new Lawn Mowing Contract has been signed by MRTC for the property
- The MRTC has been working to repair the roads on the property

Jenny Wroblewski – Town Attorney for Star City

- Legal Team will review the newest version submitted.
- Council is preparing to advance to 1st Reading on October 3, 2023

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Planning Committee (Independent Living) --- September 26, 2023 @ 5:30 PM

SUPERVISOR'S REPORTS:

Treasurer – Lea Hassler

- Loan Proposal for Audit Services (Ferrari & Assoc.)

Code Enforcement – Bob Doyle (ABSENT)

Public Works – Phillip Davis

- Construction ongoing at the Guardian Storage property (Sewer & Water hookup completed), at O'Reilly Autoparts (Sewer hookup completed), and at Steak & Shake (Sewer hookup completed)
- (2) more Speed Bumps have been installed in Town
- Parotta Paving was awarded the Paving Bid (Will begin paving work shortly)
- Lighting Issues were repaired near the Riverfront Park area
- Continuing to fix Water Breaks throughout Town

Star City Police - Lt. White

- No Issues with the Pitt Game Traffic (In & Around Town)
- Hotel M (Drug Issues are continuing / Working to address)

RECORDER'S COMMENTS: (NONE)

ATTORNEY'S COMMENTS: (NONE)

NEW BUSINESS:

Monongalia County Commission Dog Warden Agreement

Motion to approve the Mon County Commission Dog Warden Agreement.

1. Councilor Morris
 2. Councilor Epps
- Motion carried.

***\$600.00 Increase from last year to this year (Increased use of service)

First Reading of Article 951.05 Rates & Charges: Recover Unpaid Charges; Refusal of Service

Motion to approve the First Reading of Article 951.05 Rates & Charges: Recover Unpaid Charges; Refusal of Service.

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



First Reading of Article 1305.01 - Terms, Article 1317.02 - "B" Residence Districts & Article 1321.01 - Schedule of Regulations

Motion to approve the First Reading of Article 1305.01 - Terms, Article 1317.02 - "B" Residence Districts & Article 1321.01 - Schedule of Regulations.

1. Councilor DeChristopher

2. Councilor Epps
- Motion carried.

First Reading of Article 505.01 - Cruelty to Animals

Motion to approve the First Reading of Article 505.01 - Cruelty to Animals.

1. Councilor DeChristopher
2. Councilor Epps

***Largely adopted the language from the State of Maine's animal policies

First Reading of MUB Right-of-Way Agreement for the Van Voorhis Property

Motion to TABLE until the next Council Meeting. (Additional time to review)

1. Councilor DeChristopher
2. Councilor Epps

Motion carried.

PERMITS: (NONE)

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn at 6:29 P.M.

1. Councilor Epps
2. Councilor Morris

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Steven A. Blinco, Star City Recorder (Acting Mayor)