TOWN OF STAR CITY Council Meeting January 17, 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 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 (Absent) Public Works – Kevin Nuce

Motion to move New County Commissioner, Sean Sikora on the agenda to speak after the Pledge of Allegiance.

- 1. Councilor Gregg
- 2. Councilor Claudio

Motion carried.

Commissioner Sikora introduced himself to council and the citizens attending the meeting. He offered to be available to council if he could be of service and looks forward to working with the Town of Star City.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

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

- 1. Councilor Claudio
- 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 \$ 108,039.26 dated Jan. 17, 2017.

Motion to pay the bills as presented:

- 1. Councilor Claudio
- 2. Councilor Gregg

Motion carried

Financial Statement: None available at this meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

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

- 1) Councilor Luzader
- 2) Councilor Claudio

Motion carried.

Permit Discussion – Councilor Brown wants to make sure that Dave Friend is being fair to everyone in the community who applies for a permit and that he not show any favoritism to individuals.

Handicap Parking – Councilor Brown discussed the two handicap parking spaces in front of Cindy Ulrich's home which were together. She suggested that they be made into two individual spaces.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Beautification Committee: Recorder Price reported that the Beautification Committee met on Thursday evening, Jan. 12th at 6:15 PM. In attendance were Darla Brown, Emma Luzader and Janice Price. A copy of the minutes from this meeting will be attached to the final minutes.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORTS:

- <u>Chief Propst:</u> The Chief provided council with an annual report and also a list of citations for Dec.
- <u>Public Works Supervisor, Kevin Nuce</u> Kevin reported that they had a small water break on Boyer's Ave. and have a sewer problem on Herman Ave. He also said that they had a water break on Boyer's Ave. on Christmas Eve.

ATTORNEY'S COMMENTS: Attorney Cranston stated that he sent everyone an email regarding Article 121, Council. He also asked that council go into Executive Session to discuss Attorney/Client Privileged Information regarding legal matters.

NEW BUSINESS:

Storm Water Fee Implementation – Motion to implement the new storm water fee effective April 1, 2017.

- 1.) Councilor Luzader
- 2.) Councilor Renner

Motion carried.

Monongalia County Health Department Donation – Motion to refuse donation to Monongalia County Health Department.

- 1) Councilor Claudio
- 2) Councilor Brown

Motion carried.

Purchase of Salt – Motion to approve the purchase of 50 tons of salt.

- 1) Councilor Claudio
- 2) Councilor Brown

Motion carried.

Utility Clerk - New Hire - Motion to move this item to the end of the agenda.

- 1) Councilor Luzader
- 2) Councilor Claudio

Motion carried.

Councilor Luzader – Councilor Luzader spoke on the following:

- 1. The upcoming election
- 2. Property on the corner of Herman and University Ave. with trash can Brian Walden be sent a nuisance letter?
- 3. Update on progress of the audit.

PERMITS: None

CITIZENS:

Elizabeth Bowers, 644 Congress Ave., Star City, WV – Ms. Bowers inquired about the following items:

- 1. Is there a base rate for water charge?
- 2. Is the rate the same for each resident?
- 3. Are the water meters read every month?

Ralph Cook, Jr., 3511 1/2 University Ave., Star City, WV – Mr. Cook spoke about storm water issues on Boyer's Ave. He asked what the next step was in the Boyer's Ave. project. He said the alley is like a swimming pool and the road is deteriorating. He feels the storm water run-off needs to addressed and the road needs to be taken care of. He stated that the T.I.F. funding is available and if anyone would like to work on a plan, he would like to be involved.

Sylvia Buzby, 510 Crawford Ave., Star City, WV- Ms. Buzby stated that when she was on council, there was a resolution passed that there would be no new trailers in Star City. She also agreed with Councilor Brown that the advertisement for Tuscan Spa should say Star City not Morgantown.

Donnie Hagedorn, 512 Broadway Ave., Star City, WV – Need new storm water pipe. The pipe running from Congress to my property is ruptured and rusty and needs replaced.

Ralph Cook, Sr., 815 Fenwick Ave., Morgantown, WV – Mr. Cook spoke about the water break on Christmas Eve on Boyer's Ave and complimented Philip and Daryl on doing a good job. He feels that the city should reflect on their responsibility and not rely

on MUB, which tested the water and the result was inconclusive. He also indicated that T.I.F. money is liable to himself or the city for reimbursement.

Motion to go into Executive Session at 8:05 pm to discuss Attorney/Client Confidential and Privileged information regarding legal and personnel issues.

- 1) Councilor Claudio
- 2) Councilor Gregg

Motion carried

Motion to return to regular session at 8:32 pm.

- 1) Councilor Claudio
- 2) Councilor Renner

Motion carried.

Motion to approve the hiring of Leah Powell as the new Utility Clerk for the Town of Star City.

- 1) Councilor Brown
- 2) Councilor Renner

Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn the meeting of the Star City Council at 8:35 p.m.

- 1. Councilor Renner
- 2. Councilor Claudio

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted.

Janice Price, Recorder

Herman Reid, Mayor