## TOWN OF STAR CITY Council Meeting

January 31, 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

Recorder Janice Price

Councilor Dominick Claudio
Councilor Todd Gregg
Attorney Paul Cranston

Chief of Police Victor Propst

Code Official David Friend (Absent)

Councilor Darla Brown

Councilor Dominick Claudio
Councilor Todd Gregg
Councilor Emma Luzader
Councilor Jackie Renner
Public Works – Kevin Nuce

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion to approve the minutes as prepared by Recorder Price.

- 1. Councilor Luzader
- 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 \$25,403.65 dated Jan. 31, 2017.

Motion to pay the bills as presented:

- 1. Councilor Luzader
- 2. Councilor Claudio

Motion carried

## **Financial Statement:**

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

- 1. Councilor Luzader
- 2. Councilor Claudio

Motion carried.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**Petition for Annexation – 1401 – 1404 Cain Street** – Mayor Reid stated that he had done some research on this issue. He indicated that there is a new county surveyor whom he has called and talked to concerning this matter. He stated that Mr. Claudio is willing to give a copy of the survey and map that was entered at the courthouse. Attorney Cranston stated that a meets and bounds description and remapping needs to be done and submitted to the County Commission so they know what is being annexed. The cost would be

between \$1,000 - \$1,500 dollars. It was suggested that a work session be held to further discuss this issue.

University Commons Water Pressure Project – Philip Davis has done a lot of research on this matter. He is still meeting with the fire marshal. The problem is with the fire marshal side. It was suggested that this item be taken off the agenda until a resolution is met.

**Storm Water Fee Implementation** – Philip has completed all the measurements for the businesses. The fee will be implemented effective April 1, 2017.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

**Ordinance Committee:** Councilor Luzader announced that there will be a meeting on Tuesday evening, Feb. 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM.

#### SUPERVISOR'S REPORTS:

- <u>Chief Propst:</u> The Chief stated that everything is good at this time.
- <u>Public Works Supervisor, Kevin Nuce</u> Kevin reported that they had a problem with the snow plow which has been fixed.

#### **ATTORNEY'S COMMENTS: None**

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Alley Behind Cook Property – Councilor Brown read a statement to council regarding the Cook property and a possible resolution to the water problems on their property and the alley behind it. The Cook family had no knowledge to the statement prior to the council meeting.

**Ballot Commissioners** – Motion to table announcement of ballot commissioners until the next meeting.

- 1) Councilor Brown
- 2) Councilor Renner

Motion carried.

1<sup>St</sup> Reading of Changes to Article 121 - Council – Motion to approve the 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of Changes to Article 121 - Council.

- 1) Councilor Luzader
- 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. Jan Care Please bring to their attention the trash on Pleasant Hill.
- 2. Property on the corner of Herman and University Ave. with trash has a nuisance letter been sent?
- 3. Is there anything new on the audit?
- 4. Flags at City Hall need to be taken down and replaced.
- 5. Is there a Finance Committee meeting scheduled to discuss the budget?

PERMITS: None

#### **CITIZENS:**

Councilor Todd Gregg, 410 Kensington Ave., Star City, WV – Councilor Gregg, speaking as a citizen, addressed concerns brought to his attention by the recorder, who had inquiries from citizens and other candidates running for office, about his eligibility to run for council regarding his place of residence.

Ralph Cook, Jr., 3511 1/2 University Ave., Star City, WV – Mr. Cook thanked the Beautification Committee for the great job they did with the Christmas parade. He said he truly enjoys being the Santa each year.

**James Gaston, 1388 Fenwick St., Star City, WV-** Mr. Gaston stated that the T.I.F is not done. The T.I.F. project on Boyer's Ave is completed and cost 2.2 million dollars. He indicated that there is still 5 million dollars available on the program for the next 21-22 years.

George Raddish, 601 Broadway Ave., Star City, WV – Mr. Raddish suggested that it would be nice to have a forum with the candidates running for office to hear their platforms. He also mentioned favoritism, traffic and the speed humps on Congress Ave.

Ralph Cook, Sr., 815 Fenwick Ave., Morgantown, WV – Mr. Cook stated that he would like for the city or a committee to further investigate the T.I.F. and become more educated about it.

# **ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion to adjourn the meeting of the Star City Council at 7:52 p.m.

- 1. Councilor Claudio
- 2. Councilor Gregg

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

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Janice Price, Recorder

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Herman Reid, Mayor