# TOWN OF STAR CITY Council Meeting

July 19, 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
Recorder - Janice Price Councilor Dominick Claudio
Treasurer - Amy Cobasky 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.

- 1. Councilor Luzader
- 2. Councilor Renner

Motion carried.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT:

## Bills to be Paid:

Treasurer Amy Cobasky presented the bills to be paid in the amount of \$44,196.01 dated July 19, 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 Amy Cobasky:

- 1. Councilor Claudio
- **2.** Councilor Gregg

Motion carried.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None**

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Planning Commission:** Councilor Claudio informed council that the Planning Commission met on Thursday, July 7<sup>th</sup> to discuss the Comprehensive Plan, a copy of which was provided to council. No public notice was given to the public prior to the meeting.

**Ordinance Committee:** Councilor Luzader announced that there will be a meeting of the Ordinance Committee on Monday evening, July 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:15 pm.

#### **SUPERVISOR'S REPORTS:**

- Amy Cobasky, Treasurer Finishing up paperwork with Municipay; Freedom going over everything do a test run next billing cycle; Increase for garbage will be on the next statement.
- **Public Works Supervisor, Kevin Nuce** Sewer tap at Tuscan Spa which was paid for by the spa they will also need water tap; replacing gravel; received report from Health Dept. on our water system good report but behind on backflow prevention.
- Chief Propst The chief informed the Mayor and Council that the issue on Somerset & Mansfield (regarding the Solly's concerns) will be handled with cameras and tickets. He also stated the Duck Race will be held on Saturday, August 6<sup>th</sup> down at the park. Events will begin around 10:00 AM.
- Code Official David Friend Dave Friend indicated that there was a new IRC Code for 2016 and new IBC in 2015. He started he has done 38 rental inspections; he is waiting for the State Fire Marshall at Tuscan Spa; looking into the new addition to the front of St, Mary's Church.
   Councilor Brown asked Dave Friend why there were no plat maps attached to the building permits.

**ATTORNEY'S COMMENTS:** Councilor Luzader submitted two requests to me – one regarding the concealed weapons issue and the other regarding hotel occupancy tax. I have not has the opportunity to look into these issue but will so and report back to council with my response.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Police Staffing Concerns** - Motion to move this item to the end of the agenda and go into Executive session.

- 1. Councilor Luzader
- 2. Councilor Brown

Motion carried.

**Sanitation – Rates, Equipment** – Councilor Gregg commented on the following items:

Can money be set aside or can we double the payment on the garbage truck; asked Amy if we could have a separate fund to use as a contingency plan.

Asked Kevin about the number of dumpsters that don't have lids at University Commons. Kevin said it was their preference not to have lids.

Motion that Mary Lou provide council with a list of every resident, every apartment and the street on which they live to determine the number of residents living in our town and paying for garbage.

- 1. Councilor Gregg
- 2. Councilor Brown

Motion carried.

**PERMITS: Robert Bennett. 238 Wayland Street, Permit to Construct Detached Garage -** Motion to approve permit for Robert Bennett to construct a detached garage meeting all requirements according to Dave Friend.

- 1. Councilor Luzader
- 2. Councilor Renner

Motion carried.

#### **CITIZENS:**

Ralph Cook, 3511 ½ University Ave., Star City, WV- Mr. Cook commented on the following items:

- 1. Large piece of foam on the other side of his fence; grass high and the city workers are not mowing this area.
- 2. Tuscan Sun Spa Mr. Cook turned in a bill for the closing of University Ave. by workers at Tuscan Spa which denied him access to his business. He said the public needs to be notified of such closings and a legal permit from the DOH needs to be obtained. He also stated that there are OSHA violations such as workers working high on scaffolding without a harness or hard hats and no safety inspectors on site.

He is looking for full payment of the invoice which he submitted to City Hall.

**Jeanette Baniak, 443 Pleasant Hill Ave., Star City, WV** – Ms. Baniak stated she is still dealing with snakes and groundhogs from the wooded area behind her house. She is also still having issues with Jan Care and the ability to see to get out on University Ave. due to the cars parked at Jan Care.

## Lynnette DeChristopher, 600 Herman Ave., Star City, WV-Ms.

DeChristopher thanked Kevin, Chief Propst and the Mayor for dealing with the issues at the trailer park adjacent to their property and for taking down the fence.

Motion to go into Executive Session at 7:55 pm to discuss Confidential and Privileged Attorney/Client information regarding personnel.

- 1. Councilor Gregg
- 2. Councilor Renner

Motion carried.

Motion to return to regular session at 8:37 pm.

- 1. Councilor Gregg
- 2. Councilor Claudio

Motion carried.

## **ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion to adjourn the meeting of the Star City Council at 8:38 p.m.

- 1. Councilor Brown
- 2. Councilor Renner

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Janice Price, Recorder

Herman Reid, Mayor