TOWN OF STAR CITY Council Meeting March 9, 2021

7:00 P.M.

PRELIMINARIES:

Mayor Reid and everyone present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Reid called the meeting to order.

ATTENDANCE:

Mayor Herman Reid Councilor Sharon Doyle
Recorder Steven A. Blinco Councilor Todd Gregg
Chief of Police – Tom Varndell Councilor Emma Luzader
Code Official – Bob Doyle Treasurer Lea Hassler
Public Works – Phillip Davis Town Attorney Paul Cranston

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion to approve the (March 10, 2020) minutes:

- 1. Councilor Gregg
- 2. Councilor Doyle

Motion carried.

Motion to approve the (March 24, 2020) minutes:

- 1. Councilor Doyle
- 2. Recorder Blinco

Motion carried.

Motion to approve the (March 31, 2020) minutes:

- 1. Councilor Luzader
- 2. Councilor Doyle

Motion carried.

Motion to approve the (April 21, 2020) minutes:

- 1. Councilor Gregg
- 2. Councilor Doyle

Motion carried.

Motion to approve the (November 23, 2020) minutes:

- 1. Councilor Doyle
- 2. Councilor Gregg

Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: (NONE)

Bills to be Paid:

Motion to pay the bills as presented by Treasurer Hassler in the amount of \$36,186.75

- 1. Councilor Doyle
- 2. Councilor Gregg

Motion carried.

SPECIAL SPEAKERS / PRESENTATIONS: (NONE)

CITIZENS:

Darla Brown

Thanked Council and All Town Workers for their work during the pandemic.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: (NONE)

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance Committee (Budget Meeting)

Discussed the upcoming Budget

Preliminary Budget Meeting was held on Monday, March 8, 2021 @ 6:00 PM ***Follow-Up Budget Meeting Scheduled for Tuesday, March 16, 2021 @ 6:00 PM

SUPERVISOR'S REPORTS:

<u>Treasurer Lea Hassler:</u> (None)

Code Official - Bob Doyle

- Completed 27 Inspections in the month of February 2021
- Placed a lien on 400 Herman Avenue / Collected B&O Taxes
- Above property was purchased by Dominic Claudio
- Sign Permits (25 have paid)
- Generating a Letter; July 1 will continue collecting Sign Fees
- Garage Ordinance is vague (Attached / Detached / Setback)

Public Works - Phillip Davis

- Continuing work on the Riverfront Park
- Continuing preventative maintenance / storm water

Chief of Police - Tom Varndell

- Purchase of new firearms for the Star City Police Department
- Current firearms are all over 20 years old / beginning to wear
- 7 Police Officers / 8 new firearms to be purchased by Dept.
- Citation Report (Pending) / MECCA Calls Report (Pending)

ATTORNEY'S COMMENTS:

Continuing Issues with Clear Fiber
***Will address topic at next Council Meeting

NEW BUSINESS:

2021 Holiday Schedule

Motion to approve the 2021 Holiday Schedule:

- 1. Councilor Gregg
- 2. Recorder Blinco

Motion carried.

2020-21 Dog Warden

Motion to approve the 2020-21 Dog Warden Agreement:

- 1. Councilor Doyle
- 2. Councilor Gregg

Motion carried.

2020 PSC Annual Report Water & Sewer (No Motion)

***Lea has copies if anyone would like to review them

FY 2019 & FY 2020 Financial Audits / Appoint Audit Committee

Motion to approve and appoint Councilor Luzader and Councilor Gregg to the Audit Committee:

- 1. Councilor Doyle
- 2. Recorder Blinco

Motion carried.

Mountaineer Towing Lease

Motion to Table until next meeting to gather additional information:

- 1. Councilor Doyle
- 2. Councilor Gregg

Motion carried.

Vacant Position (Councilor Claudio)

*Town Attorney will check on the legality of filling vs. not filling

Motion to approve waiting until the next election to fill the seat:

- 1. Councilor Doyle
- 2. Councilor Gregg

Motion carried.

FY 2020 & FY 2021 Budget Revisions

Motion to approve the Budget Revisions FY 2020 & FY 2021:

- 1. Councilor Doyle
- 2. Recorder Blinco

Motion carried.

Elections

***Agree to include information in the Town's Utility Bills

Sign Registration Renewals

Code Enforcement Officer Bob Doyle is working on this

Vacant Code Enforcement Officer Position

Position Filled by Bob Doyle

Waivers / Late Fees / B&O

City Hall Workers Applied for and received a Utility Grant

- Received a few thousand dollars to cover some folks bills in town

Clear Fiber

Motion to approve that the Town's Mayor, Treasurer, and Attorney have authority to handle the Clear Fiber issues in the interim:

Motion to Table until the next meeting in Executive Session:

- 1. Councilor Doyle
- 2. Councilor Gregg

Motion carried.

MUB Project

Code Enforcement Officer Bob Doyle updated Council on the ongoing Project

Sewer Increase (No Action)

2020 Ordinance Updates

Motion to approve the 2020 Ordinance Updates (State Legislative changes):

- 1. Councilor Luzader
- 2. Recorder Blinco

Motion carried.

FY 2020 Police Pension

Motion to approve the Police Pension:

- 1. Recorder Blinco
- 2. Councilor Doyle

Motion carried.

Recycling Program (No Motion)

Spring Clean-Up

Motion to approve the Spring Clean-Up the Week of May 10-14:

- 1. Councilor Doyle
- 2. Councilor Gregg

Motion carried.

HVAC Project (City Hall)

Flue Pipe - \$3,900.00 + Adding Zoning to the Existing System - \$18,495.00

Motion to approve the HVAC Project (City Hall) by Casto:

- 1. Councilor Gregg
- 2. Recorder Blinco

Motion carried.

Riverfront Paving Project (No Action)

Comprehensive Plan (No Motion)

***Mayor Reid spoke to the Municipal League - No Obligation to enter agreement Town of Star City discussed updating and changing plan on their own.

Will use the current Comprehensive Plan to update for the future.

Next MMMPO Meeting - Thursday, March 18, 2021

Leasing City Hall to Toth (2nd Floor Office Space) Agreement amount is \$1,000.00 / Month + Splits on all Utilities with City Hall

Motion to have a Roll Call Vote on the above Lease:

- 1. Councilor Gregg
- 2. Councilor Doyle

Motion carried.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Motion to approve the Lease of the 2nd Floor Office Space at City Hall: Gregg - Yes, Doyle - Yes, Blinco - Yes Luzader - No (3-1 Motion Carries)

PERMITS: (None)

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT:

Next Star City Council Meeting - 3 / 23 / 21 @ 7:00 PM

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn at 8:49 P.M.

- 1. Recorder Blinco
- 2. Councilor Doyle

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Steven A. Blinco, Star City Recorder

Herman Reid, Star City Mayor