

TOWN OF STAR CITY
Council Meeting
December 20, 2022
6:00 P.M.

PRELIMINARIES:

Mayor Reid 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
Treasurer - Lea Hassler (Absent)	Councilor - Lynette DeChristopher
Town Attorney - Tim Stranko	Councilor - Cindy Baniak-Ulrich
Public Works - Phillip Davis (Absent)	Councilor - Dr. Gregory Epps
Code Enforcement - Bob Doyle	
Chief of Police - Jessica Colebank	

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion to approve the minutes:

1. Councilor Doyle
2. Councilor Gregg

Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Bills to be Paid:

Motion to pay the bills as presented in the amount of \$34,903.59

1. Councilor Doyle
2. Councilor DeChristopher

Motion carried.

Motion to approve financial report (November 30, 2022) as presented.

1. Councilor Doyle
2. Councilor Epps

Motion carried.

SPECIAL SPEAKERS / PRESENTATIONS: (NONE)

CITIZENS:

Charlene Martinez – 526 Congress Avenue

- NJX Cleaning Solutions
- Interested in starting a Bike & Paddle Boat Rental area at the Riverfront Park
- Targeting an April 2023 start
- Acquiring an LLC, Insurance

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: (NONE)

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Personnel Committee

- Met on December 13, 2022 @ 6:00 PM
- Discussed Pay Increases
- Will conduct Exit Interviews in the future

SUPERVISOR'S REPORTS:

Treasurer – Lea Hassler (ABSENT)

- Submitted Report to Recorder Blinco
- Edmund's Software implementation: Target Date: July/ August 2023
- PEIA Premiums increasing beginning in July 2023
- Advertisements placed in Dominion Post for the Candidate Filing Period

Code Enforcement – Bob Doyle

- Hotel M Update
- Continuing to work on some issues / will review those in January

Public Works – Phillip Davis (ABSENT)

Chief of Police – Jessica Colebank

- Attended the Women in Law Enforcement Summit in California
- Drug Task Force Board Meeting Results
- Agreed to disperse funds to each agency
- Star City PD receiving \$30,000 to use toward a new car
- Chief Colebank requests using for a new Chevy Equinox (\$29,590.00)
- New Tasers needed / Costs increasing January 1 / Estimated at \$18,284.98

ATTORNEY'S COMMENTS: (NONE)

RECORDER'S COMMENTS:

- Mon / Preston Day @ State Legislature - Friday, February 3, 2023
- Local Politicians Forum @ MAP (Downtown) - Friday, January 6, 2023
- MAP / January After Hours Networking Event - Mountain Man Axe Throwing
- South Korean Insulin Plant Opening - Jan./Feb. 2023 (1,200 new jobs locally)
- Mountain Top Beveridge Opening
- Downtown Morgantown is installing 78 new cameras for safety / security
- Star City Sinkhole is in the news (Local Radio, Newspaper, Statewide Coverage)
- Town and local officials are awaiting the next steps by WVDOH & MUB
- Thanks to the WVDOH & MUB for their attention to this matter

NEW BUSINESS:

Second Reading of Article 121.01 - Rules

Motion to approve the 2nd Reading of Article 121.01.

1. Councilor Doyle
2. Councilor Epps

Motion carried

Second Reading of Article 103.05 - Regular; Special Elections

Motion to approve the 2nd Reading of Article 103.05.

1. Councilor DeChristopher
2. Councilor Epps

Motion carried

Axon Taser Purchase

Motion to approve the purchase of (5) new tasers.

1. Councilor Gregg
2. Councilor Ulrich

Motion carried

Purchase of New Vehicle for PD

Motion to approve the purchase of a new vehicle for the Police Department.

1. Councilor DeChristopher

2. Councilor Epps
Motion carried

Starting Wage Increase / Raises

Motion to TABLE until the next meeting.

1. Councilor Doyle
2. Councilor DeChristopher
Motion carried

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

*** Reminder - No Council Meeting on January 3, 2023

*** Next Meeting - Star City Council Meeting / January 17, 2023 @ 6:00 PM

PERMITS: (NONE)

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn at 6:35 P.M.

1. Councilor Doyle
2. Councilor Gregg
Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Steven A. Blinco, Star City Recorder



Herman Reid, Star City Mayor