#### TOWN OF STAR CITY

Council Meeting August 19, 2025 6:00 P.M.

### PRELIMINARIES:

Mayor Doyle recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor Doyle called the meeting to order.

#### **ATTENDANCE:**

Mayor – Sharon Doyle

Chief of Police – Glen Staley

Finance – Lea Hassler

Town Attorney – Tim Stranko

Public Works – Phillip Davis

Code Enforcement – Bob Doyle

Recorder – Steven A. Blinco

Councilor – Lynette DeChristopher

Councilor – Dr. Gregory Epps

Councilor – Jennifer Hunt

Councilor – Andy Laskody

Councilor – Jim Morris (absent)

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Motion to approve the minute from the previous council meeting.

- 1. Councilor Epps
- 2. Councilor Laskody

Motion carried.

#### FINANCE:

## Bills to be Paid:

Motion to approve the bills in the amount of \$103,195.17 as presented by Finance Director Hassler:

- 1. Councilor Hunt
- 2. Councilor Epps

Motion carried.

SPECIAL SPEAKERS / PRESENTATIONS: (none)

CITIZENS: (none)

#### MAYOR COMMENTS:

• Attended the Morgantown Utility Board (MUB) Meeting on Tuesday, August 12, 2025. The transfer of utilities was approved.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** (none)

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS: (none)**

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

#### Finance - Lea Hassler -

- Lea informed council of the benefits of switching the town bank account to First United Bank along with informing of their favorable interest rates.
- Council agreed to allow the Finance Director to move forward with the change of banking institution for all accounts with exception of the Policemen's Pension Fund.

## Code Enforcement - Bob Doyle -

- The 2016 Police Cruiser has been converted to a Code Enforcement Vehicle and is now in service.
- Addressed Councilor DeChrsitopher's letter received from homeowner Gina Smith regarding the property adjacent to City Place Townhomes. A meeting was held with the property owner Kenny Jackson, at which time Mr. Jackson was not willing to sign paperwork initiated by the town, however agreed to erect fencing to prevent trespassing along with repair of the roof on the damaged area.

## Public Works - Phillip Davis -

- Continuing work on town alleys
- Grass cutting and weeding continues
- New Ventrac will arrive this Thursday and training will be held
- The town's jet rodder is out for repair

### Chief of Police - Glen Staley -

- The newly hired part-time officer is doing well
- Traffic increase due to return of students
- Traffic citations are up (114/30 days)
- Installation of light bars is complete for all cruisers
- Traffic survey device has been shipped
- LPR's are up (60,000 reads per week)
- Department is functioning well

## RECORDER'S COMMENTS: (none)

### **ATTORNEY'S COMMENTS:**

Attorney Stranko reported that we are moving along with the MUB transfer.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

### FY2025 Policemen's Pension Fund Annual Report

Motion to approve the FY2025 Policemen's Pension Fund Annual report as presented:

- 1. Councilor DeChristopher
- 2. Councilor Laskody
- 3. Motion carried.

## FY2026 Paving Project Bids:

Sealed bids were opened from the following submitted:

Affordable Asphalt Maintenance \$81,670
Anderson Excavating \$64,135
Naternicola's Masonry, LLC \$58,645
Miller Paving \$56,250
Parrotta Paving \$47,990

Motion to approve the bid of Parrotta Paving of \$47,990:

- 1. Councilor Laskody
- 2. Councilor DeChristopher

Roll Call Vote - (Yes): Blinco, DeChristopher, Doyle, Laskody, Hunt, Epps Motion carried.

# Memorandum of Understanding - TIF Funds- Sidewalk Replacement

Motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding and to present to the County Commission for release of TIF funds for the project.

- 1. Councilor Epps
- 2. Recorder Blinco

Motion carried.

## PERMITS: (none)

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** – Motion for Executive Session - Personnel Matter, pursuant to WV Code 6-9A-4 (B)(2A) at 6:25 p.m.

- 1. Councilor DeChristopher
- 2. Councilor Laskody

Motion carried.

### **REGULAR SESSION:**

Motion to return to regular session at 6:33 p.m.

- 1. Councilor Hunt
- 2. Councilor Epps

Motion carried.

# ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn at 6:34 P.M.

- 1. Councilor Laskody
- 2. Councilor DeChristopher

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Steven A. Blinco, Star City Recorder

Sharon Doyle, Star City Mayor