

**MEETING MINUTES
WEIRTON CITY COUNCIL**

Regular Council Meeting
Weirton Municipal Building – Council Chambers
200 Municipal Plaza, Weirton, WV 26062

Monday, January 13, 2020, 7:00 p.m.

Councilman Tim Connell, recited the opening prayer and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Harold Miller, called the meeting to order.

Mayor and Council Members in Attendance

Harold E. Miller	Mayor
Tim Connell	Councilmember Ward 1
Mike Adams	Councilmember Ward 2
Fred S. Marsh	Councilmember Ward 3
George E. Ash, Sr.	Councilmember Ward 4
Flora Perrone	Councilmember Ward 5
Enzo Fracasso	Councilmember Ward 6
Terry Weigel	Councilmember Ward 7

City Officials in Attendance

Rob Alexander	Police Chief
Donna Gialluco	Weirton Transit Manager
Jessica Gumm	Planning and Development Director
Vincent S. Gurrera, Esq.	City Attorney
Butch Mastrantoni	Utilities Director
DeeAnn Pulliam	Assistant City Manager
Rod Rosnick	Public Works Director
Diana Smoljanovich	Finance Director
Tom Mesler	Code Official
Coty Shingle	Park Board Executive Director

Executive Session shall be held only if a majority vote of the members of the governing body vote to hold an executive session and the items for consideration shall consist of any and all of those contained within West Virginia Code 6-9A-4

MAYOR'S AWARDS AND PROCLAMATIONS

PROCLAMATION – NATIONAL SCHOOL CHOICE WEEK

***NOW, THEREFORE, I, Harold E. Miller, Mayor of the City of Weirton** do hereby recognize January 26 through February 1, 2020, as **Weirton School Choice Week**, and call this observance to the attention of all our citizens.*

PROCLAMATION – NATIONAL HUMAN TRAFFICKING AWARENESS DAY

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that I, Harold E. Miller, Mayor of the City of Weirton, West Virginia, do hereby proclaim January 11, 2020, as "**National Day of Human Trafficking Awareness**" in the City of Weirton and honor the Upper Ohio Valley Sexual Assault Help Center which consists of professionals and volunteers who work tirelessly to protect and care for those who have been impacted by human trafficking.*

CITIZENS REMARKS

Denese Miller – Principal of Weirton Elementary School – Read With Me Weirton Reading Initiative: Ms. Miller and Mr. Van Dyke, the assistant principal, provided information about the Read With Me Weirton reading initiative, which begins Friday, January 31, 2020, with a kick-off ceremony. She asked for the support and attendance of the Mayor and City Council, and she asked if a mock council meeting could be planned as a civics lesson for fourth-grade students. The reading program will end on Friday, February 14, 2020, with a closing ceremony.

READING OF MINUTES

December 9, 2019 – Regular Meeting
December 17, 2019 – Special Meeting
December 26, 2019 – Special Meeting

Motion to Approve the Minutes for All Three Meetings: Councilman George Ash
Motion Approved 7/0

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Second Reading of Ordinance No. 2116. An Ordinance Implementing the Sale of Alcoholic Beverages by Certain Alcohol Beverage Control Administration Class "A" License Holders Beginning At 10:00 A.M. On Sundays in the City of Weirton In Accordance With West Virginia Code §8-1-5a. (City Manager)

Motion to Approve: Councilman George Ash
Motion Approved 7/0

NEW BUSINESS

1. A Resolution to Enter Into Contract With Witmer Public Safety Group, Inc. for the Purchase of Twenty-Five (25) Cairns 1044 Fire Helmets (\$8,482.00). (City Manager)

Motion to Accept: Councilman Fred Marsh
Motion Approved 7/0

2. A Resolution to Place Liens Against Real Properties for Costs Incurred in Demolition of Unsafe Properties Pursuant to Ordinance 250 (316 Ohio Street) (\$8,948.75). (City Manager)

Motion to Accept: Councilman Tim Connell
Motion Approved 7/0

3. A Resolution to Place Liens Against Real Properties for Costs Incurred in Demolition of Unsafe Properties Pursuant to Ordinance 250 (3623 West Street Ext.) (\$12,237.75). (City Manager)

Motion to Accept: Councilman Enzo Fracasso
Motion Approved 7/0

4. A Resolution to Authorize Revisions to the 2019-2020 Fiscal Year General Fund Budget. (City Manager)

Motion to Accept: Councilman Terry Weigel
Second: Councilman Tim Connell

Roll Call Vote was Required for the Motion:

Councilman Tim Connell	<u>Yes</u>
Councilman Mike Adams	<u>Yes</u>
Councilman Fred Marsh	<u>Yes</u>
Councilman George Ash	<u>Yes</u>
Councilwoman Flora Perrone	<u>Yes</u>
Councilman Enzo Fracasso	<u>Yes</u>
Councilman Terry Weigel	<u>Yes</u>

Motion Approved 7/0

APPOINTMENTS

Zoning Appeals Board

Amanda Alexander - 1/1/2020 to 12/31/2022

Mark Rice - 1/1/2020 to 12/31/2022

Bill Frohanapfel – 1/1/2020 to 12/31/2022

Motion to Accept the Appointments of Amanda Alexander and Bill Frohanapfel: Councilman George Ash
Motion Approved 7/0

Weirton Fire Civil Service Commission

Robert Hinchee – 12/27/2019 – 6/30/2022

Motion to Accept: Councilman George Ash
Motion Approved 7/0

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS FROM VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS

Rob Alexander, Police Chief, stated that he did a ride-along with one of the Brooke County School buses at the request of the Brooke County School Board in an attempt to understand the issue of drivers ignoring the school bus safety rules on Main Street. He explained that most drivers do not know they actually need to stop due to the road having five lanes of traffic. He said they are working to address the problem. **Councilman Fred Marsh**, relayed gratitude from Mr. Stafileno for the assistance provided by the Weirton Police Department on December 18, 2019, with regard to getting students home. **Joseph B. DiBartolomeo, City Manager**, noted with appreciation that the Weirton Police Department removed a downed tree not long ago.

Rik Rekowski, provided a reminder of the BHJ Planning Commission broadband survey taking place this week. They are asking for addresses and the company used in an effort to determine who specifically has it and who does not. He provided a survey to Council.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Harold E. Miller, recognized Kevin Himmelrick for accepting the appointment as the provisional fire chief for the Weirton Fire Department, not to exceed ninety days.

Councilwoman Flora Perrone, thanked Butch Mastrantoni for providing a great presentation at the Weirton Heights Rotary Club meeting last week.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn: Councilman George Ash
Motion Approved 7/0

Councilman Tim Connell, recited the closing prayer.

Minutes approved as amended at the February 10, 2020 Regular Council Meeting

Signed by: Kimberly Long, City Clerk