

**WEIRTON CITY COUNCIL
COUNCIL MEETING - REGULAR
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2017, 7:00 PM**

A regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Weirton, Hancock and Brooke Counties, West Virginia was held on Monday, February 13, 2017, at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers of the Weirton Municipal Building.

Councilmembers in Attendance:

Tim Connell	Councilmember Ward 1	
Matthew Provenzano	Councilmember Ward 2	
Fred S. Marsh	Councilmember Ward 3	
George E. Ash, Sr.	Councilmember Ward 4	ABSENT
Douglas L. Jackson	Councilmember Ward 5	
Enzo Fracasso	Councilmember Ward 6	
Terry Weigel	Councilmember Ward 7	

City Officials in Attendance:

Rob Alexander	Police Chief
Travis L. Blosser	City Manager
Vince Gurrera	City Attorney
Bob Hinchee	Captain Fire Dept
Ken Fletcher	Chief Code Official
A.D. Mastrantoni	Utilities Director
Bruce Lamp	Public Works
Diana Smoljanovich	Finance Director

Mayor Harold Miller led everyone in the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

READING OF THE MINUTES:

A motion was made by Councilman Marsh and second by Councilman Connell to approve the minutes of the:

January 9, 2017 Regular Meeting

The motion passed, 6/0

A motion was made by Councilman Connell and second by Councilman Marsh to approve the minutes of the:

January 20, 2017 Special Meeting

The motion passed, 6/0

Mayors Awards and Proclamations:

Veteran's Proclamation

Dr. Dominic Daniel Schell – Veteran of the United States Army for his dedicated military service to our country.

Black History Month – It provides the opportunity to honor contributions and accomplishments African Americans have made to our City, State and Country.

Mayor Miller - I would like to take this moment to introduce our newest Councilmember, Matt Provenzano.

Travis Blosser, City Manager – If I can introduce Diana Smoljanovich, as our new Finance Director at the City of Weirton. I am very proud and happy to have her on board. In just one week that she has been here, she has done an incredible job. I look forward to many, many, many more years with you, and us being able to continue on the path that we are on. Thank you very much for coming on the team.

Citizens Remarks:

NONE

COMMUNICATIONS:

NONE

Request by Council to convene into Executive Session consistent with WV Code 6-9-A-4-A(9) to consider personnel matters.

N/A

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Second Reading of Ordinance No. 2017. Ordinance Modifying Ordinance No. 1313, as Amended, Establishing New Salaries of Employees who are Members of the Weirton Municipal

Employee's Union (WMEU) and Authorizing the City Manager to Sign Contracts Necessary to place these changes into Effect. (City Manager)

Motion was made by Councilman Connell, second by Councilman Fracasso.

Motion passed 6/0

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Resolution to Enter into Contract for the Purchase of one Sole Purpose Drug Dog for the Weirton Police Department Street Crimes Unit/Detectives Division Utilizing Donations given by Local Businesses. (\$6,000.00) (City Manager)

Motion was made by Councilman Connell, second by Councilman Jackson.

Motion passed 6/0

Councilman Weigel – I would like to make one comment Mayor, in the Finance Committee Meeting, a thank you to the people out there in the community that donated to make this possible. I think it shows all their dedication to fighting the problems that we have which, is a drug problem in our community. There were a number of people that stepped forward for this, so we thank them for their support.

2. Resolution to Authorize Financial Support by the City of Weirton to the Business Development Corporation (BDC). (\$25,000.00) (City Manager)

Motion was made by Councilman Marsh, second by Councilman Jackson.

Motion passed 6/0

3. Resolution to Enter into Contract for Property and Liability Insurance Coverage for the City of Weirton. (\$622,698.00) (City Manager)

Motion was made by Councilman Marsh, second by Councilman Weigel.

Motion passed 6/0

4. Resolution of the Council for the City of Weirton approving the form of that certain Professional Services Agreement By and Between the City of Weirton and the Thrasher Group, Inc. regarding the Design and Construction Management of the Park Drive Roadway Extension, and Authorizing and Empowering the

City Manager to Execute and Deliver the Agreement on Behalf of the City of Weirton. (\$68,500.00) (City Manager)

Motion was made by Councilman Marsh, second by Councilman Connell.
Motion passed 6/0

Councilman Marsh – Just want to let everybody know, that in the Finance Committee Meeting this was discussed. This is coming out of the TIF Fund.

Councilman Weigel – This goes hand-in-hand with the Development of Pietro Florentini.

Travis Blosser, City Manager – I would also mention that North American Industrial Services does not have a road in front of their business right now.

**APPOINTMENTS:
NONE**

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Police Department – Chief Alexander

Nothing additional to add to the submitted reports.

Utilities – Water and Sewer – A. D. Mastrantoni.

Nothing additional to add to the submitted reports.

Code Department – Ken Fletcher

Nothing additional to add to the submitted reports.

Fire Department – Captain Hinchee

Nothing additional to add to the submitted reports.

Library – Rik Rekowski

Absent.

Public Works – Bruce Lamp

Nothing additional to add to the submitted reports.

Transit – Marke Henne

Nothing additional to add to the submitted reports.

Mayor Miller – Where is that new bus?

Marke Henne – It should be hitting the road any day.

Planning & Development – Mark Miller

Absent

Park Board – Terry Weigel

Last night with the wind storm, we lost a light bulb at the tennis court at Starvaggi Pool. We went over and sheared it off. Throughout the day I heard from other people that they had wind damage. It becomes more imminent than a quick problem, because the 27th of this month the high school's tennis season opens, and they use those courts for practices and for home matches up there.

Finances– Diana Smoljanovich, Financial Director

General Fund Cash Report for January 2017

Beginning Cash Balance:	\$1,930,799.07
Interest on Checking:	\$528.55
Deposits:	\$2,022,557.31
Draw-downs on Investment:	\$0.00
Disbursements:	\$1,310,783.43
Deposits to Investments:	\$0.00
Ending Cash Balance:	\$2,643,101.50
Beginning Investment Balance:	\$0.00
Interest on Investments:	\$0.00
Investment Proceeds:	\$0.00
Change in Value:	\$0.00
Deposits:	\$0.00
Withdraws:	\$0.00
Ending Investment Balance:	\$0.00
Petty Cash:	\$800.00
Total Cash and Investments Available:	\$2,643,901.50

Councilman Marsh – What is the current balance in the TIF Fund?

Travis Blosser, City Manager – The current balance in the TIF Fund is approximately \$1,873,000.00. We also bring in about \$373,765.00 in increments. That has gone up from previous years.

Motion was made to approve the bills, accept the financial report and all departmental reports by Councilman Marsh, second by Councilman Weigel.

Motion passed 6/0

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Harold Miller called for a motion to adjourn the meeting after the closing prayer which was recited by Councilman Connell.

Motion was made by Councilman Marsh, second by Councilman Connell.

Motion passed 6/0