

WEIRTON CITY COUNCIL COUNCIL MEETING – REGULAR MONDAY, AUGUST 12, 2019, 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, August 12, 2019, at 7:00 PM in the Council Chambers of the Weirton Municipal Building.

Attendance:

Mayor and Council Members

Harold E. Miller	Mayor
Tim Connell	Councilmember Ward 1
Mike Adams	Councilmember Ward 2 - ABSENT
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

Rob Alexander	Police Chief
Donna Gialluco	Weirton Transit Manager
Vincent S. Gurrera, Esq.	City Attorney
Butch Mastrantoni	Utilities Director
Jessica Gumm	Program Manager
Carlo Pilgrim	City Manager
DeeAnn Pulliam	City Clerk
Rik Rekowski	Library Director
Rod Rosnick	Public Works Director
Jerry Shumate	Fire Chief
Diana Smoljanovich	Finance Director

Weirton City Council Meeting – Regular

Mayor Harold Miller, called the meeting to order.

DeeAnn Pulliam, City Clerk, conducted the roll call.

Councilman Tim Connell, recited the opening prayer.

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

MAYOR’S AWARDS AND PROCLAMATIONS

VETERAN’S PROCLAMATION – Joseph Fabianich

Joseph Fabianich enlisted in the United States Navy in 1943 and was trained as a Machinist 2nd Class. Mr. Fabianich served in a combat zone on an Aircraft Carrier and a Minesweeper. Joseph was awarded a Victory Medal for serving in the South Pacific and for being in a combat zone. Joe was discharged from the United States Navy in 1943. Harold E. Miller, Mayor of the City of Weirton, Brooke and Hancock Counties does hereby recognize Joseph Fabianich, for his dedicated military service to our country, on this day August 12, 2019.

CITIZENS REMARKS

Marcie Dean, Stop Sign Placement, Ms. Dean attended the meeting to discuss Ordinance No. 2090. An ordinance to the Amendment No. 810 to the traffic control map, placing a stop sign 5’ north of the driveway of 1272 Elmhurst on the east side of Palisades and place an additional stop sign 40’ east of the driveway at 3877 Palisades on the north side of Beaumont. Ms. Dean is opposed to the ordinance because it will be restrictive to her rights as a property owner. She agrees that speed is an issue but is opposed to the current proposed solution of a stop sign 5’ of the driveway at 1272 Elmhurst Drive.

Councilwoman Perrone, asked if Ms. Dean felt visibility was an issue also.

Marcie Dean, stated she does not feel visibility is an issue, but that the problem is people driving too fast.

COMMUNICATIONS

- Finance Committee Comments

Councilman Enzo Fracasso, there were no real issues. Butch talked about the water and sewer project.

Request by Council to convene into Executive Session consistent with WV Code 6-9-A-4-A

A Motion to convene into Executive Session was made by Councilwoman Perrone, and second by Councilman Ash.

Motion Passed 6/0

Councilman Fred Marsh, made a recommendation that everyone leave their electronics in the council chambers.

As recommended, everyone left their electronics in the council chambers

A Motion to come out of Executive Session was made by Councilman Marsh, and second by Councilman Ash.

Motion Passed 6/0

Vince Gurrera, City Attorney, stated that the Executive Session dealt with a personnel issue of an employee leaving and discussion of replacements.

READING OF MINUTES

July 8, 2019 – Regular

Motion to approve the minutes of July 8, 2019, Regular Council Meeting was made by Councilman Ash, and second by Councilman Marsh.

Motion Passed 6/0

July 17, 2019 – Special

Motion to approve the minutes of July 17, 2019, Special Council Meeting was made by Councilman Ash, and second by Councilman Marsh.

Motion Passed 6/0

July 30, 2019 – Special

Motion to approve the minutes of July 30, 2019, Special Council Meeting was made by Councilman Ash, and second by Councilman Marsh.

Motion Passed 6/0

OLD BUSINESS:

Councilman George Ash, the first two items under old business do not have to be read. Our City Attorney will address both issues.

Vince Gurrera, City Attorney, by a court agreement, number 1 and 2 are to stay tabled.

1. **Second Reading of Ordinance No. 2080. An Ordinance Modifying the Weirton Fire Department Work Schedule to a 212 Hour/28 Day Work Rotation. (Councilman Connell, Councilman Marsh, Councilman Ash, Councilman Jackson, Councilman Fracasso) (Tabled 6/10/19, 7/8/19)**
2. **Second Reading of Ordinance No. 2081. An Ordinance Creating the Position of Public Safety Director for the City of Weirton, WV. (Councilman Connell, Councilman Marsh, Councilman Ash, Councilman Jackson, Councilman Fracasso) (Tabled 6/10/19, 7/8/19)**
3. **Second Reading of Ordinance No. 2088. An Ordinance To The Amendment No. 808 To The Traffic Control Map To Place A Yellow Curb On The North Side Of Oak Street From Corner Of Mercer Street To The Wall At 137 Oak Street. (Councilman Connell)**

Motion to approve the second reading of the ordinance was made by Councilman Connell, and second by Councilman Ash.

Motion Passed 6/0

4. **Second Reading of Ordinance No. 2089. An Ordinance To The Amendment No. 809 to the Traffic Control Map Establishing 45 Feet Of No Parking Beginning At 493 feet from The Intersection Of Potomac Avenue On The North Side Of Morningside Court and Then Beginning Again At A Point Of 37 Feet, Establishing No Parking For a Distance Of 66 Feet On The North Side Of Morningside Court, And Placing A "No Parking" Sign On Each End. (Councilman Marsh)**

Motion to approve the second reading of the ordinance was made by Councilman Marsh, and second by Councilman Ash.

Motion Passed 6/0

- 5. Second Reading of Ordinance No. 2090. An Ordinance To The Amendment No. 810 To The Traffic Control Map, Placing A Stop Sign 5' North Of The Driveway Of 1272 Elmhurst On The East Side Of Palisades And Place An Additional Stop Sign 40' East Of The Driveway At 3877 Palisades On The North Side Of Beaumont. (Councilwoman Perrone)**

Motion to table the ordinance was made by Councilwoman Perrone, and second by Councilman Marsh.

The ordinance was tabled to be sent back to the Traffic Commission for review.

Motion Passed 6/0

- 6. Second Reading of Ordinance No. 2091. An Ordinance Modifying Ordinance #1313, As Amended, Establishing New Salaries of Employees Who Are Members of the Weirton Municipal Employees Union and Authorizing the City Manager to Sign Contracts Necessary to Place These Changes into Effect. (City Manager)**

Motion to approve the second reading of the ordinance was made by Councilman Ash, and second by Councilman Marsh.

Motion Passed 6/0

- 7. Second Reading of Ordinance No. 2092. An Ordinance Modifying Ordinance #1313, As Amended, Establishing New Minimum And Maximum Salary Levels of Specific Non-union Municipal Employees Within Specific Departments of The City of Weirton General Fund and Adding/Eliminating Specific Positions. (City Manager)**

Motion to approve the second reading of the ordinance was made by Councilman Marsh, and second by Councilman Ash.

Motion Passed 6/0

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. An Ordinance to the Amendment No. 811 Rescinding Ordinance No. 1343 that established a handicap parking stall at 3538 Elm Street. (Councilman Ash)**

A Motion was made to approve the first reading of the ordinance by Councilman Connell, and second by Councilman Ash.

Councilman Fred Marsh, a question for the attorney, is this one reading or two?

Vince Gurrera, City Attorney, this is a handicap so that it will be one.

Motion Passed 6/0

- 2. An Ordinance Authorizing the Design of Certain Extensions, Additions, Betterments and Improvements to the Waterworks System of the City Of Weirton and the Financing of the Cost Thereof, Not Otherwise Provided, Through the Issuance by the City Of Weirton of Not More Than \$1,300,000 in Original Aggregate Principal Amount of Construction Anticipation Notes, Series 2019 A (West Virginia Water Development Authority), Providing for The Rights and Remedies of and Security for the Owners of Such Notes; Authorizing Execution and Delivery of All Documents Relating to the Issuance of Such Notes; Approving, Ratifying and Confirming a Loan Agreement Relating to Such Notes; Authorizing the Sale and Providing for the Terms and Provisions of Such Notes and Adopting Other Provisions Relating Thereto. (City Manager)**

A Motion was made to approve the first reading of the ordinance by Councilman Connell, and second by Councilman Fracasso.

Motion Passed 6/0

- 3. An Ordinance Authorizing the Design of Certain Extensions, Additions, Betterments and Improvements to the Sewerage System of the City Of Weirton and the Financing of the Cost Thereof, Not Otherwise Provided, Through the Issuance by the City Of Weirton of Not More Than \$1,300,000 in Original Aggregate Principal Amount of Construction Anticipation Notes, Series 2019 A (West Virginia Water Development Authority), Providing for The Rights and Remedies of and Security for The Owners Of Such Notes; Authorizing Execution and Delivery of All Documents Relating to the Issuance of Such Notes;**

Approving, Ratifying and Confirming a Loan Agreement Relating to Such Notes; Authorizing the Sale and Providing for the Terms and Provisions of Such Notes and Adopting Other Provisions Relating Thereto. (City Manager)

A Motion was made to approve the first reading of the ordinance by Councilman Ash, and second by Councilman Marsh.

Motion Passed 6/0

- 4. A Resolution to Enter Into Agreement with Justice Business Services for the Asbestos Abatement of Property Located at 4045 Brooke Street (\$677.00). (City Manager)**

A Motion was made to approve the resolution by Councilman Ash, and second by Councilman Weigel.

Motion Passed 6/0

- 5. A Resolution to Enter Into Agreement with Pulice Construction for the Demolition of Property Located at 4045 Brooke Street (\$7,500.00). (City Manager)**

A Motion was made to approve the resolution by Councilman Ash, and second by Councilman Weigel.

Motion Passed 6/0

- 6. A Resolution to Enter Into Contract with American Rock Salt Company LLC. For the Purchase of Road De-icing Salt for Fiscal Year 2019/2020 (\$85.72 Per Ton Delivered). (City Manager)**

A Motion was made to approve the resolution by Councilman Connell, and second by Councilman Ash.

Motion Passed 6/0

- 7. A Resolution to Enter Into Contract For The Purchase Of One K-9 Dog For The Weirton Police Dept. Street Crimes Unit/Detectives Division Utilizing Drug Task Force Funds (Amount not to Exceed \$4,000.00). (Councilman Marsh)**

A Motion was made to approve the resolution by Councilman Marsh, and second by Councilman Ash.

Motion Passed 6/0

- 8. A Resolution to Enter Into Contract With FMI, Fire & Marine Inc., For The Purchase Of Equipment Mounting For The Weirton Fire Department (Amount not to Exceed \$7,317.11). (City Manager)**

A Motion was made to approve the resolution by Councilman Ash, and second by Councilman Connell.

Motion Passed 6/0

APPOINTMENTS:

Library Board

Kitty Kochman

7/1/2019 – 6/30/2024

A Motion was made to approve the appointment was made by Councilman Ash, and second by Councilman Marsh.

Motion Passed 6/0

Human Rights Commission

Jonathan Curenton

8/1/2019 – 7/31/2022

A Motion was made to approve the appointment was made by Councilman Connell, and second by Councilman Ash.

Motion Passed 6/0

Hall of Fame

Christine DelGuzzi

9/1/2019 – 8/31/2022

A Motion was made to approve the appointment was made by Councilman Connell, and second by Councilman Ash.

Motion Passed 6/0

Flora Perrone

8/1/2019 – 3/31/2020

A Motion to approve the appointments was made by Councilman Connell, and second by Councilman Fracasso.

Motion Passed 6/0

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Police Department – Chief Rob Alexander

Nothing additional to report

Public Works – Rod Rosnick

The CDBG paving has started, and they will be in town at the end of the week to finish the CDBG side. In two weeks, they will begin paving the General Fund side.

Councilman Enzo Fracasso, what is the update on the paver.

Rod Rosnick, the parts are in today, and it is being repaired and will be ready to go.

Councilman Tim Connell, did you ever find a building to store extra salt.

Rod Rosnick, no, not yet.

Councilwoman Flora Perrone, thanked Rod for taking care of the complaints she received quickly.

Fire Department – Chief Jerry Shumate

Nothing additional to report

Library – Rik Rekowski

Mayor and Council congratulated Rik for being a Weirton Hall of Fame inductee.

August is going to be a busy month at the library. We already had one book sale and will have another one the 17-24. The family movie, Dumbo, will be shown on August 17

at 2:00 PM. On August 31, there will be a gaming day. A thank you was given to Mayor, Council, the Chamber, and the community for their support and participation in the Grow with Google initiative.

Weirton Transit - Donna Gialluco

Nothing additional to report

Utilities – Water and Sewer – Butch Mastrantoni

Nothing additional to report

Planning and Development –Jessica Gumm

Nothing additional to report

Park Board – Coty Shingle

Thanked Councilman Ash for working with Main Street Cleaning Solutions in assisting with a grant for \$500 to help get kids from income families into the pool. Over 250 passes have been given out. Pool season closes this weekend on Sunday. There will be a Thursday night pool party, Friday H2O swim class, and customer appreciation days Saturday and Sunday leading up to the close date, and then for the last two hours on Sunday there will be a Bark in the Park for pets and their owners. The Park Board Meeting for this week is postponed until next week.

General Fund Cash Report for July 2019

Beginning Cash Balance:	\$569,774.26
Interest on Checking:	\$388.32
Deposits:	\$1,770,492.54
Draw-downs on Investment:	\$ 0.00
Disbursements:	\$1,369,490.62
Deposits to Investments:	\$ 0.00
Ending Cash Balance:	\$971,164.50
Beginning Investment Balance:	\$0.00
Interest on Investments:	\$0.00
Investment Proceeds:	\$0.00
Change in Value:	\$0.00
Deposits:	\$0.00
Withdrawals:	\$0.00
Ending Investment Balance:	\$ 0.00
Petty Cash:	\$800.00
Total Cash and Investments Available:	\$971,964.50

Diana Smoljanovich, Finance Director, advised that there were no invoices submitted to finance for approval. All were advised that we received \$752,000 from sales tax, which was the highest amount we had ever received.

Motion to approve the payment of the invoices presented and financial report was made by Councilman Ash, and second by Councilman Marsh.

Motion Passed 6/0

Councilman Tim Connell, recited the closing prayer.

Mayor Harold Miller, called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilman Ash, and second by Councilman Marsh.

Motion Passed 6/0

Signed: **DeeAnn Pulliam**
City Clerk