

**CITY OF WEIRTON  
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2021  
COUNCIL MEETING – REGULAR  
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC  
7:00 p.m.  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

PRAYER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

MAYOR'S AWARDS AND PROCLAMATIONS

- Proclamation – National POW/MIA Recognition Day
- Proclamation – West Virginia Heroes Day
- Certification of Recognition – Barney's Bakery

CITIZENS' REMARKS

***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***

READING OF MINUTES

- August 9, 2021 – Regular Council Meeting

FINANCE COMMITTEE COMMENTS/FINANCIAL REPORT

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

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NEW BUSINESS:

1. A Resolution Appointing a City Manager for the City of Weirton. (Mayor Miller)
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9. A Resolution Authorizing the Acting City Manager to Enter into Contract with Nautilus Insurance Company for Tankadvantage Pollution Liability Coverage for the City of Weirton (Policy - \$2,563.00) (Fees: Amwins - \$200.00 /TRIA [Federal Terrorism] - \$26.00) (WV Surplus Lines Tax - \$126.90). (Acting City Manager)
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#### CITY MANAGER AND DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

#### MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS

#### ADJOURNMENT

#### PRAYER

**INFORMATIONAL COUNCIL MEETING**

**Monday, September 13, 2021**

**COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**6:55 p.m.**

**MEETING MINUTES  
WEIRTON CITY COUNCIL**

Regular Council Meeting  
Weirton Municipal Building – Council Chambers  
200 Municipal Plaza, Weirton, WV 26062  
Monday, September 13, 2021, 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.

**City Clerk Kimberly Long** conducted roll call.

**ROLL CALL**

Mayor and Council Members in Attendance

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

City Officials in Attendance

Charlie Kush	Police Chief	IN PERSON
Kevin Himmelrick	Fire Chief	IN PERSON
Butch Mastrantoni	Utilities Director	IN PERSON
Rik Rekowski	Library Director	BY PHONE
Rod Rosnick	Public Works Director	IN PERSON
Jessica Gumm	Planning and Development Director	ABSENT
Kaleb Knowlton	Program Manager	IN PERSON
W. Coty Shingle	Park Board Executive Director	IN PERSON
Diana Smoljanovich	Finance Director	IN PERSON
Matt Burskey	Code Official	IN PERSON
Pamela Wright	Employee Benefits Administrator	IN PERSON
DeeAnn Pulliam	Acting City Manager	IN PERSON
Vincent S. Gurrera, Esq.	City Attorney	IN PERSON
Brian Stewart	IT Analyst	IN PERSON
Kimberly Long	City Clerk	IN PERSON

## **MAYOR'S AWARDS AND PROCLAMATIONS**

### **CERTIFICATION OF RECOGNITION – Barney's Bakery**

*We thank you for your great contributions to the City of Weirton and surrounding communities. Your generosity and service to many organizations and causes is admirable. Thank you for your dedication and faithfulness.*

### **PROCLAMATION – National POW/MIA Recognition Day**

***NOW, THEREFORE, I, Harold E. Miller, Mayor of the City of Weirton do hereby recognize September 17, 2021, as National POW/MIA Recognition Day in our community, and urge our citizens to observe this day to demonstrate their gratitude to our service members who have defended our land and liberties, particularly those who paid the ultimate sacrifice and never made it home.***

### **PROCLAMATION – West Virginia Heroes Day 2021 – Weirton Fire Department, Weirton Police Department, and Brooke and Hancock County Ambulance Services.**

***NOW, THEREFORE, I, Harold E. Miller, Mayor of the City of Weirton do hereby proclaim September 11, 2021, as West Virginia Heroes Day in our community, and specifically recognize our first responders – Weirton Fire Department, Weirton Police Department, and Brooke and Hancock County Ambulance Services. We urge our citizens to take the time to thank our first responders for their willingness to help those in need during critical moments in life and for risking their lives every day to protect our community.***

## **CITIZENS' REMARKS**

There were no citizen's remarks.

**Request by Council to convene into Executive Session consistent with West Virginia Code 6-9A-4.**

**A Motion to convene into Executive Session was made by Councilman Weigel for the purpose of discussing personnel matters.**

**Motion passed 7/0**

**Motion to come out of Executive Session was made by Councilman Marsh.**

**Motion passed 7/0**

**City Attorney, Vince Gurrera, stated that in Executive Session contract negotiations were discussed.**

## READING OF MINUTES

### August 9, 2021, Regular Council Meeting Minutes

**Motion to Approve the August 9, 2021, Regular Council Meeting Minutes:**

**Councilman Marsh**

**Motion Approved: 7/0**

## FINANCE COMMITTEE COMMENTS/FINANCIAL REPORT

**Councilman Terry Weigel** – at the last Finance Committee meeting, items 9, 10, 11, 14, 15, and 16 on tonight's agenda were approved.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

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**Motion to Approve: Councilman Marsh**  
**Motion Approved: 6/0**  
**Councilman Fracasso recused himself due to a conflict of interest.**
2. Second Reading of Ordinance No. 2165 to Amend the Traffic Control Map, Ordinance 214, to Place a Stop Sign at the Intersection of Terminal Way and Freedom Drive. (Councilman Ash)  
**Motion to Approve: Councilman Ash**  
**Motion Approved: 7/0**

## NEW BUSINESS:

1. A Resolution Appointing a City Manager for the City of Weirton. (Mayor Miller)

**Motion to Approve: Councilman Fracasso**

**Discussion:** Councilman Adams recused himself from the discussion due to direct personal interest. Mayor Miller explained that roughly 26 resumes were gathered and he has selected Mike Adams to be the next city manager for the City of Weirton. City Attorney, Vince Gurrera, stated that he checked with the ethics commission and it was confirmed that Councilman Adams could serve as both the city manager and a councilman at the same time. Councilman Adams has chosen not to continue to serve as councilman while he is city manager.

**Councilman Marsh** made the motion to amend the resolution by striking out the words "Monday, September 13, 2021" and inserting the words "Friday, October 1, 2021."

**Motion to Approve the Amendment: 6/0**

**Councilman Adams recused himself from voting due to direct personal interest.**

**Motion to Approve the Resolution as Amended: Councilman Fracasso**

**Motion Approved: 6/0**

**Councilman Adams recused himself from voting due to direct personal interest.**

Mayor Miller announced that Councilman Michael A. Adams has now been appointed as the new Weirton City Manager effective October 1, 2021. At this time, the process for a replacement for Ward II councilperson must begin. Per the City's Charter, the position must be filled by a Ward II resident within six weeks. Resumes will begin to be accepted immediately until October 1, 2021.

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**Motion to Approve: Councilman Ash**  
**Motion Approved: 7/0**
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**Motion Approved: 7/0**
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**Motion Approved: 7/0**
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**Motion Approved: 6/0**  
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**Motion Approved: 7/0**
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**Motion to Approve: Councilman Weigel**

**Councilman Weigel** made the motion to amend the "Option 1" table as follows: "CM Administrative Assistant" should be titled "Mayor Administrative Assistant", the Proposed Maximum for General Superintendent should be \$57,500.00, the Proposed Maximum for

Department Foreman should be \$52,000.00, and in the last paragraph of the ordinance, strike out the word "immediately" and insert "July 1, 2021."

**Motion to Approve the Amendment: 6/0**

**Councilman Adams recused himself from voting due to a conflict of interest.**

### **First Reading of the Amended Ordinance**

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**Motion to Approve: Councilman Fracasso**

**Motion Approved: 6/0**

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**Motion Approved: 7/0**

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**Motion to Approve: Councilman Fracasso**

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**Motion Approved: 7/0**

## **CITY MANAGER AND DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**

**Finances – Diana Smoljanovich** - Nothing further to add to the submitted reports.

**Acting City Manager - DeeAnn Pulliam** – The relaunch of the website is starting today and a project group will be formed. Our city video shots will be taking place on October 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>. There are still available slots for people who want to be in the videos.

**Utilities - Butch Mastrantoni** – Over the past month, representatives from the water and sewer boards met with officials from the offices of Senator Capito and Senator Manchin for the purpose of outlining the upgrades at the water and sewer treatment plants. Both Senators have expressed an interest of possible funding out of the infrastructure legislation. Thanks were extended to Councilman Connell and Councilman Fracasso for attending the meeting with Senator Manchin’s representatives. Mr. Mastrantoni also asked Council to continue to contact the appropriate government officials that would be receptive to consider funding. Financing is in place for the sanitary portion, and work is being done on financing for the water portion. Any additional money that comes in that is not loan-based will help keep costs down for the residents.

**Police Department - Chief Kush** - Three new officers will be sworn in this Friday at 11:00 a.m.

**Councilman Marsh** inquired when the next DUI checkpoint would take place.

**Chief Kush** advised grant funding is distributed every quarter for DUI Checkpoints, but we have not received any funding yet. The speed trailer was recently placed on School Street and it captured very few speeders.

**Fire Department – Chief Himmelrick** – Nothing further to add to the submitted report.

**Parks and Recreation – Coty Shingle** - Thanked council for passing tonight’s resolution. The next Movies in the Park event will be taking place on September 18, 2021, on the ballfield. The Center is getting ready for the busy indoor season.

**Code -Matt Burskey** – Nothing further to add to the submitted report.

**Public Works – Rod Rosnick** - Fall clean-up will be the first week of October. Metals will be September 30 and October 1, 2021.

**Benefits – Pam Wright** – A informational Medicare seminar took place for employees. A flu shot clinic for employees is scheduled for October 1, 2021, at 1:30 in Room 201. Beazley has been acquired by Globe Life and we'll have to look for 2022 to see if there will be any changes.

**Planning and Development – Kaleb Knowlton** – Nothing further to add to the submitted report.

## **MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS**

**Councilwoman Perrone** requested the Acting City Manager send a letter to the park board to recommend suspending any further renovations to the ball field at this time. The field is still being considered as a potential site for the new police annex, and it is being recommended that no further renovations be done until a decision has been made on the site.

**Councilman Adams** thanked fellow members of council for supporting him in his new role as the city manager. He touched on the various developments within the city and their importance, and is very optimistic for the future. He looks forward to working with everyone.

**Councilman Connell** expressed thanks for the opportunity that he, along with **Councilman Fracasso**, had to be a part of the meeting with Senator Manchin's representatives. This allowed the chance to express the importance of infrastructure to the City's growth and the need for any available grant money to build this infrastructure to expand and grow the city.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion to Adjourn: Councilman Marsh**

**Motion Approved 7/0**

**Councilman Tim Connell** recited the closing prayer.

Minutes approved at the October 12, 2021 Regular Council Meeting.

Signed: Kimberly Long, City Clerk