

**CITY OF WEIRTON
MONDAY, JULY 12, 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

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

- June 7, 2021 – Regular Council Meeting
- June 29, 2021 – Special Council Meeting

FINANCE COMMITTEE COMMENTS/FINANCIAL REPORT

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Second Reading of Ordinance No. 2157 for the Sale of Property Located Adjacent to 157 Bennett Drive, Weirton, Assessor's Map and Parcel W38C-283 to Carol Hawthorne. (City Attorney)

NEW BUSINESS:

1. A Resolution to Enter Into Agreement with GoGovApps for GOEnforce Code Enforcement Subscription for August 1, 2021 – July 31, 2022 (\$4,500.00). (City Manager)
2. A Resolution to Enter Into Agreement with Pulice Construction for the Demolition for the Structure Located at 341 Greenbrier Road (\$6,400.00). (City Manager)
3. A Resolution to Enter Into Agreement with Safeco Environmental Inc. for the Asbestos Abatement of the Structure Located at 341 Greenbrier Road (\$1,200.00). (City Manager)
4. A Resolution to Authorize a Contribution to the Hancock County Special Olympics' Golf Scramble (\$1,000.00). (Councilman Fracasso).

5. An Ordinance for the Abandonment of Real Property Located Adjacent to Shiloh Apostolic Faith Church Located at 3000 Weir Avenue, Weirton, Hancock County, West Virginia. (Councilman Connell)
6. An Ordinance Modifying Ordinance #1733 Implementing New Rules and Regulations for the Weirton Fire Department Personnel. (Councilwoman Perrone)
7. A Resolution to Authorize the City Manager to Enter into Contract for the Purchase of Three (3) AWD 2021 Ford Explorer SUV Marked Police Cruisers for the Weirton Police Department's Patrol Division (\$102,423.00). (City Manager)
8. A Resolution to Authorize the City Manager to Enter into Contact for the Upfitting of Three (3) AWD 2021 Ford Explorer SUV Marked Police Cruisers for the Weirton Police Department's Patrol Division (\$23,031.00). (City Manager)
9. An Ordinance Approving and Authorizing the Feasibility Study for the City of Weirton Public Safety Facility (\$21,000.00). (Councilman Weigel)
10. 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)
11. An Ordinance Modifying Ordinance #1313, as Amended, Establishing New Salaries and Work-Related Provisions of Employees Who are Members of the Weirton Municipal Employees Union (WMEU), and Authorizing the City Manager to Sign Contracts Necessary to Place These Changes Into Effect. (City Manager)
12. An Ordinance Modifying Ordinance #1313, as Amended, Establishing New Salaries and Work-Related Provisions of Employees Who are Members of the Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #84, and Authorizing the City Manager to Sign Contracts Necessary to Place These Changes Into Effect. (City Manager)
13. A Resolution to Enter into an Agreement with the Hancock County Sheltered Workshop for Water and Bottle Service at the Weirton Municipal Building. (City Manager)
14. A Resolution to Authorize Financial Support by the City of Weirton to the Business Development Corporation (BDC) (\$33,062.50). (Councilwoman Perrone)
15. A Resolution to Allocate \$2 Million Dollars to Water and Sewer Plant Upgrades from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (\$2,000,000.00). (Councilman Ash)
16. A Resolution Appointing Mr. Nathan Mazur to the Mary H. Weir Public Library Board. (Mayor Miller)

CITY MANAGER AND DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS

ADJOURNMENT

PRAYER

INFORMATIONAL COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, July 12, 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, July 12, 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	IN PERSON
Flora Perrone	Councilmember Ward 5	IN PERSON
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	IN PERSON
Rod Rosnick	Public Works Director	IN PERSON
Donna Gialluco	Weirton Transit Manager	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	ABSENT
Joseph DiBartolomeo	City Manager	IN PERSON
DeeAnn Pulliam	Assistant City Manager	IN PERSON
Vincent S. Gurrera, Esq.	City Attorney	IN PERSON
Brian Stewart	IT Analyst	IN PERSON
Kimberly Long	City Clerk	IN PERSON

City Manager, Joseph DiBartolomeo, recognized the following individuals:

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION – Dennis Jones

We honor you for the many ways you have contributed to the City of Weirton. Your passion for sharing and preserving our history is invaluable. You have given your time, talents, and generosity to truly make a difference. Thank you for your dedication and faithfulness.

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION – Catherine “Kitty” Kochman

We honor you for the many ways you have contributed to the City of Weirton and surrounding communities. Thank you for your dedication, faithfulness, and service. You truly make a difference.

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION – Dave Stetar, Dave Cline, Ed Giacchino, Jed Giacchino and George Miller

We honor you for your great contributions to the City of Weirton. Your commitment to the Panhandle Rail Trail Association of West Virginia has been instrumental in the development and betterment of the trail. Thank you for your dedication and service to our community.

CITIZENS’ REMARKS

Jean Czernek thanked public works employees for all they do, suggested the general public be given the opportunity to meet the police chief, and hopes for improved interaction between council and management at future council meetings.

Jim McHenry thanked the crew that worked on fixing the broken water line, and is requesting to receive the details behind 2021 fiscal year information when it becomes available.

Randy Kernan, FOP Lodge #84 President spoke about the union contract that is on tonight’s agenda.

Joe DiBartolomeo, Weirton City Manager, spoke as a citizen and addressed the following topics: Councilman Mike Adams being appointed as an assistant Hancock County prosecutor, violates Article 3, Section 3 of the City’s charter; during the November 12, 2021 special council meeting, members of council along with members of the Top of West Virginia CVB board entered into executive session and by doing this, violated WV Code § 6-9A-4; the renewal of the worker’s compensation policy; the salary increases for City employees; and putting the PRO officers back into the schools. The City is facing problems as being an aging community and Council needs to come up with a plan for a vision for the future.

*During this comment section of the meeting, six of the seven council members in attendance left the meeting. There was no longer a quorum to conduct business. A Special Council meeting will be scheduled to finish to conduct tonight’s business.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Miller adjourned the meeting.

Minutes approved at the August 9, 2021 Regular Council Meeting.

Signed: Kimberly Long, City Clerk