

OCTOBER 20, 2016

The Clarksburg City Council met in REGULAR SESSION on Thursday, October 20, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. at the Clarksburg Municipal Building – Council Chambers, 222 West Main Street, Clarksburg, West Virginia, with Mayor Goings presiding.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Gary Bowden
Ryan Kennedy
Sam Lopez
Chad Sigmon
Mayor Catherine Goings

ALSO PRESENT:

Martin Howe, City Manager
Greg Morgan, City Attorney
Annette Wright, City Clerk

COUNCIL MEMBER(S) ABSENT:

Robert Caplan
Vice Mayor Jim Malfregeot

The prayer was given and the pledge led by Councilmember Sigmon.

MOTION by Councilmember Lopez, **SECONDED** by Councilmember Bowden for approval of the minutes of the Regular session of Council held on October 6, 2016. **MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Mayor Goings called for petitions, communications and public hearings with the following individuals appearing therefor:

Rocky Romano, 103 Grant Street- appeared before Council to discuss his campaign for Harrison County Assessor. Mr. Romano informed that, if elected, he would support all municipalities. Mr. Romano shared his qualification and background which he opined made him qualified for the Assessor position. Mr. Romano thanked Council for their work in the City.

Mack Cottrill, 1633 Hoffman Avenue – addressed Council concerning property adjacent to his parking lot (behind 1492 W. Pike Street). Mr. Cottrill provided pictures to Council and the City Manager stating that the problem has been on-going for three years and something needed to be done. Mr. Cottrill stated that in the winter of 2014, the wall fell as depicted in the first picture and that the crack in the wall is getting worse. Mr. Cottrill referenced the third photo of the porch which he opined needed a foundation if the same was going to be a closed room. Mr. Cottrill opined that if he complains, he is cited by Code Enforcement. Mr. Cottrill noted the grass growing on the structure as illustrated in the fifth photo. Mr. Cottrill remarked that nothing has been done about these concerns. Mayor Goings informed Mr. Cottrill that the same would be given to Code Enforcement and that someone would follow up.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5: CITY MANAGER'S REPORT/UPDATE

October 20, 2016
Submitted by Martin G. Howe

General Updates

1. Demolition –
 - a) Contracts 1 & 2 – All structures on Contract 1 & 2 are down with the exception of 217 Waldeck Street which is in progress. 105 Grove Avenue still needs seeded and mulched.
 - b) Bid contract was signed on Monday, October 16th with Reclaim in the amount of \$89,998 for the following structures: 514 E. Pike Street, 764 and 766 W. Pike Street, 130 and 134 Haymond Highway, 141 ½ and 143 ½ Washington Avenue. Reclaim will begin to raze 514 E. Pike Street as this structure is part of the North Florence Street Radius Project.
2. W. Pike Street at N. Florence Intersection/Radium Improvement – The radius improvement project bid opening was held on Tuesday, October 11th. The Administration recommends awarding the bid to green River Group, LLC, Morgantown, WV in the amount of

- \$46,720.00. Eight (8) bids were received.
3. Lowndes Hill Project – Bear Contracting will be starting the full depth pavement replacement phase on Monday, October 24th. The road closures on South 2nd Street and Van Buren Street will be done in three (3) phases. First closure: from Elliot to the YMCA entrance; Second closure: entrance of the YMCA to the exit of the YMCA; and finally: Van Buren from the exit of the YMCA to the end of the project area. Proper traffic control will be in place for the upcoming closures and detours. Once the full depth replacement has been completed, the contractor will begin to mill remaining concrete sections and provide a full width asphalt overlay.
 4. South Chestnut Street – The street will remain closed per the WV Department of Highways. We anticipate the last and final phase to be bid in February, 2017 and to be completed by late Summer of 2017.
 5. Sycamore Street Bridge – Deck box beams have been set in place, concrete support beam wall on the Baltimore Avenue section of the bridge has been poured and guardrails have been installed. Major remaining portion of the project is an asphalt overlay on the new box beams and approach areas.
 6. LCAP – Landfill Closure Assistance Program – AFP Log and Lumber is tentatively scheduled to begin timbering our Landfill area Friday, October 21st. Contractor will start clear cutting the borrow area which is 18 acres and then move to the remainder of the landfill site to timber the remaining marketable timber. This will assist the DEP for the final closure tentatively scheduled for 2017 and the preparation of our new C&D Site #3.
 7. The Park Board has been awarded a grant from the WV Division of Culture & History in the amount of \$57,850.00 to complete the permanent seating at the amphitheater.
 8. YMCA – HVAC – Thrasher Engineering is currently soliciting bids for the YMCA pool renovation. There will be a non-mandatory site tour at the YMCA Pool on Tuesday, October 25th at 10 a.m. All bids are due by Tuesday, November 1st.
 9. Waldomore – The project is nearing completion. The City authorized a change order with Allegheny Restoration to modify some work which came as a savings. These savings were then enabled for all of the first floor to be refinished to provide for a consistent and cohesive look.

Economic Development

1. State Office Complex – Dedication Ceremony is set for Monday, October 31st at 3:30 p.m.
2. Ribbon Cuttings –
 - a) 6th Street Salon located at 107 N. 6th Street, Clarksburg, Wednesday, November 9th at noon.
 - b) Body, Mind Massage & Scents of Touch Ribbon Cutting located at 113 S. 4th Street, Monday, November 14th at noon.

Sanitary Board

Hewes Avenue – Storm Drainage and Sanitary Sewer Modification Project.

- a) The bid opening was held on Wednesday, October 19th at 2:00 p.m.; three (3) bids were submitted.
- b) Sanitary Board will meet on Friday, October 21st to consider awarding contract.

FOIA

Christopher Mossallati, Esq., submitted a FOIA request October 13, 2016 (received on October 14, 2016) requesting all information related to the Demolition Order of the Broadway School. Information will be provided on Friday, October 28th.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. CONSIDERATION OF AWARD OF BID FOR FLORENCE STREET INTERSECTION UPGRADES

MOTION by Councilmember Bowden, **SECONDED** by Councilmember Lopez to award the bid for the above-captioned upgrades to Green River Group, LLC in the amount of \$46,720.00. **MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.**

B. CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENT TO THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

MOTION by Councilmember Sigmon, **SECONDED** by Councilmember Lopez to re-appoint John Angiulli to the Board of Park Commissioners. **MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.**

C. CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENT TO THE PARKING AUTHORITY

MOTION by Councilmember Lopez, **SECONDED** by Councilmember Sigmon to appointment Michael Secret to the Parking Authority. **MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.**

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Mayor Goings: Thanked the MYC for the beautification project work: painting outside the old Trust Building and decorating the light poles for fall/Halloween; informed that Clarksburg Uptown has committed \$5,000 for the Second Street island; set a tentative date of November 2nd to travel to Preston County for a tour of the Jacobs Ladder facility and asked Council to check their availability for said date.

Councilmember Bowden: Referenced the partnering with WVU to help promote the WVU Women’s Exhibition game at RCB with all monies raised being donated to the southern WV flood victims and encouraged support thereof; advised of the Fire Ops 101 training that several Council and others participated in with members of the CFD and commended the CFD for the same; referenced the grand performances being scheduled by the Cultural Foundation as a prelude to the opening of the Robinson Grand Performing Arts Center and encouraged support thereof.

Councilmember Kennedy: Thanked everyone for attending this evening; concurred with Councilmember Bowden regarding the Fire Ops 101 training; announced the various events and activities being held within the next few weeks throughout our community.

Councilmember Sigmon: Expressed appreciation to Tom Spietler for the organization of the 2nd Annual Community Dinner, as well as thanking Mayor Goings for her donation, and noted the need for ham donations; expressed appreciation to his dad and Steve Pinti for mowing at the IOOF Cemetery.

There being no further business to come before Council at this time, **MOTION** by Councilmember Lopez, **SECONDED** by Councilmember Bowden and **APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY** for adjournment.

Catherine A. Goings, Mayor

Approved: November 3, 2016

Annette M. Wright, City Clerk