## MINUTES JANUARY 25, 2021 CITY COUNCIL ZOOM MEETING

## PRESENT: MAYOR, MARILYN RODMAN DORRAINE PARMLEY NATE WILSON JESSICA FAVALORO SAM ELLIOTT CITY ATTORNEY

Mayor Rodman asked Alderman Favaloro to pray and Alderman Wilson to say the pledge. Attorney Sam Elliott stated that this meeting will be by electronic means and we have met all the requirements. Notice's have been posted in town and at City Hall.

MINUTES of December 28, 2020 and Special Meeting of January 18, 2020. Alderman Parmley made a motion to pass the minutes as stated. Alderman Wilson seconded the motion and it passed 4/0 on a roll call vote.

POLICE DEPARTMENT – Chief Hill gave his report. Officer Kilgore recovered some stolen property. Chief Hill explained that he is cutting the reserve program. Mr. David Meeks was the only person in that program and the Post has changed the requirements. Mr. Meeks does not want to do the reserve but wants to stay on as the Crossing Guard. Alderman Parmley made a motion to stop the reserve program at the request of Chief Jack Hill. Alderman Wilson seconded the motion and it passed 4/0 on a roll call vote. There was discussion on the pay for the Crossing Guard position. Mr. Meeks is getting paid the MINUTES CITY COUNCIL JAN 25, 2021 Page Two

pay for Mr. Meeks. He is making \$800.00 a month. The council will offer him \$ 550.00 a month to just be the Crossing Guard. He will have the van with amber lights. There was a question on the basketball games at Monteagle School which he attends. That is volunteer the city does not pay him to do this. He was doing transports for the Police Department, but he will not be doing that anymore. He stated to the mayor that he would not do the Crossing Guard job for any less money that he is getting. After discussion Alderman Wilson made a motion to offer him \$ 550.00 a month for Crossing Guard only about 40 hours a month. Alderman Parmley seconded the motion and it passed 4/0 on a roll call vote.

FIRE DEPARTMENT – Chief Brewer could not be with us so Mayor Rodman read his report.

911 – Ms. Wanda McDaniel will be retiring on Jan. 29, 2021. The only application we have received is Ms. Heather Smartt who will be the interim director and TAC until July 2021. Alderman Parmley made a motion to put Ms. Smartt in the position of interim director until July 2021. Alderman Favaloro seconded the motion and it passed 4/0 on roll call vote. MINUTES CITY COUNCIL JAN 25, 2021 Page Three

PARKS & REC -- The ball season will start with sign up's on Thursday from 5 to 7 at the Community Center and Saturday 8 to 12 for the next couple of weeks. This will be Dizzy Dean program.

CODES ENFOREMENT – Mr. Earl Geary reported that the has two business permits that he has approved. The first is Hometown Girl Boutique at 847 West Main Street. This is Mr. & Mrs. Freddie Harris and they are planning to open on February 5, 2021. Alderman Parmley made a motion to approve this business permit. Alderman Wilson seconded the motion and it passed 4/0 on roll call vote. The second permit is for Oakes & Oliver's LLC at 16 Laurel Lake Drive. After discussion Alderman Parmley made a motion to approve the business permit for this business. Alderman Wilson seconded the motion and it passed 4/0 on roll call vote.

UTILITY – Mr. John Condra reported that there will be a meeting on Wednesday at 2pm to discuss the water tank repairs. Mr. Travis Wilson explained that the city is applying for several grants to improve the water and sewer system. Resolution 01-21 is a resolution to apply for a 2021 Community Development Block Grant for the sewer system improvements project. Alderman Wilson made a motion to approve this Resolution to apply for the grant. Alderman Favaloro seconded the motion and it passed 4/0 on a roll call vote. MINUTES CITY COUNCIL JAN 25, 2021 Page Four

There was discussion on a Fire Prevention Grant as well and an ARC grant. Alderman Parmley made a motion to have Mr. Travis Wilson Engineer, to apply for these grants as well. Alderman Favaloro seconded the motion and it passed 4/0 on a roll call vote. There was discussion on a contract with S&ME the company that Mr. Wilson is with. He will get a general services contract for the next meeting. When all of this is done there will be a written report for the council and it will be public record.

STREET DEPARTMENT – Mr. Keith Butner reported that they are working on ditches and culverts. He was asked about the written road list and said it will be done but that 8<sup>th</sup> street, 3<sup>rd</sup> street and North Bluff Drive are the worst. There was discussion on the road to the water tank and that it had been resolved. Alderman Parmley had been asked about the road near Roger Everett and that is not a city street but in the county. The cardboard container from Franklin County will be here on Tuesday.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE 02-21 ZONING MAP – Alderman Parmley made a motion to approve this ordinance on second reading. Alderman Wilson seconded the motion and it passed 4/0 on roll call vote. MINUTES CITY COUNCIL JAN 25, 2021 Page Five

SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE 03-21 ZONING ORDINANCE – Alderman Parmley made a motion to pass this ordinance on second reading. Alderman Favaloro seconded the motion and it passed 4/0 on roll call vote.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR MGT – This is a letter of support from the City to Mountain Goat Trail Alliance for an \$80,000 grant project extending the trail from Main Street to North Scenic Road paralleling Dubose Street. The nonprofit Growing Roots will partner with the MGTA in a \$3,500 project to create a Native Plant Garden along the new section. Alderman Parmley made a motion to approve the Letter of Support for MGTA. Alderman Favaloro seconded the motion and it passed 4/0 on roll call vote.

RESOLUTION 02-2021 – This is a resolution requesting review by the Planning Commission. The City Attorney explained this resolution. Alderman Wilson made a motion to approve this resolution. Alderman Parmley seconded the motion and it passed 4/0 on roll call vote.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE 04-21 – An ordinance to establish an updated occupational safety and health program plan. Alderman Wilson made a motion to approve this ordinance on first MINUTES CITY COUNCIL JAN 25, 2021 Page Six

reading, Alderman Favaloro seconded the motion and it passed 4/0 on roll call vote.

VACANCY ON THE CITY COUNCIL – Alderman Wilson made a motion to appoint Mr. Alvin Powell to the city council for the remaining term. Alderman Favaloro seconded the motion and it passed 4/0 on roll call vote.

WEBSITE – There was discussion on getting the website up to date and having someone maintain it. We will get three quotes and bring it to the council at the next meeting.

There was discussion on a letter that was sent to the city by the citizens close to the Petro site. The City Attorney will have an answer within 10 days.

There being no other business the meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm.

**Respectfully Submitted,** 

Mayor, Marilyn Rodman