

Council of the City of Wheeling met in Council Chambers, City-County Building, on the above date, with Mayor Glenn Elliott presiding.

The invocation was offered by Second Ward Councilor Ken Imer.

On roll call, the following were present:

Elliott, Thalman, Imer, Wilson, Scatterday, Thorngate, and Palmer -7

Mr. Thalman moved, seconded by Mr. Thorngate, that the minutes of the March 20, 2018 meeting be approved as received. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Elliott presented a proclamation to AmeriCorps, proclaiming April 3, 2018 as "*National Service Recognition Day*" in the City of Wheeling.

Mayor Elliott presented a proclamation, proclaiming April of 2018 "*Sexual Assault Awareness Month*" in the City of Wheeling.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

PURCHASE OF BARE WATER METERS- WATER DISTRIBUTION MAINTENANCE, MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$83,900.00 WITH BADGER METER, OF MILWAUKEE WI FOR BARE WATER METERS, TO BE CHARGED TO WATER DISTRIBUTION MAINTENANCE- MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES - 400.4013.06.0620.01

The ordinance was read a second time by title. Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Thorngate, that the ordinance be adopted.

The vote on the motion resulted as follows:

AYES: Elliott, Thalman, Imer, Wilson, Scatterday, Thorngate, Palmer - 7

NOES: -0

A majority of all those elected to Council having voted in favor, the Mayor thereupon declared the ordinance adopted.

PURCHASE OF SMART WATER METERS- WATER DISTRIBUTION MAINTENANCE, MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$262,700.00 WITH METRON FARNIER OF BOULDER, CO FOR SMART WATER METERS & SYSTEMS, TO BE CHARGED TO WATER DISTRIBUTION MAINTENANCE- MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES - 400.4013.06.0620.01.

The ordinance was read a second time by title. Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Thorngate, that the ordinance be adopted.

The vote on the motion resulted as follows:

AYES: Elliott, Thalman, Imer, Wilson, Scatterday, Thorngate, Palmer - 7

NOES: -0

A majority of all those elected to Council having voted in favor, the Mayor thereupon declared the ordinance adopted.

Ms. Scatterday moved, seconded by Mr. Wilson, that the Historic Landmarks Commission Minutes- 2/1/18, Wheeling-Ohio County Board of Health Minutes 11/14/17 and 1/9/18, Wheeling Municipal Parking System Financial Statement 1/31/18, Robert C. Byrd Intermodal Transportation Center Financial Statement - 1/31/18; which were held over, be accepted as received. Motion carried.

REMARKS FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

Mr. Thalman announces Ward 1 meeting will be Thursday April 12, 2018 at Warwood Christian Church at 7:00 pm. Ms. Scatterday announces Ward 4 meeting will be at Temple Shalom Tuesday April 10, 2018 at 7:00 pm.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

REPORT OF CITY MANAGER

Mr. Herron introduces Tess Haymaker as Acting Human Resources Director.

Mr. Herron addresses the amended item on the agenda and asks for a second read on agenda item 9/13, it constitutes as an emergency slip in Warwood.

Mr. Herron asks for an executive session after regular order of business to discuss personnel matter.

In response to a question from Mayor Elliott Mr. Herron explains the need for a consultant for New Market Tax Credit, to move forward with parking garage across from Wheeling Pittsburgh Steel Building. Mr. Herron explains it is in the City's best interest, there is a \$10,000 upfront to fee but if credits are obtained could amount to large sum of money invested toward project.

REPORT OF OTHER OFFICERS

Mr. Imer, seconded by Mr. Wilson, that the Board of Zoning Appeals Minutes- 12/21/17, Greater Wheeling Sports & Entertainment Authority Minutes- 2/27/18, Greater Wheeling Sports & Entertainment Authority Financial Statement- 2/28/18, Traffic Commission Minutes- 3/8/18, Municipal Civil Service Commission Annual Report- 2017 be held over until next the meeting. Motion carried.

ORIGINAL PROPOSITIONS

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL LEVY ESTIMATE - FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL LEVY ESTIMATE, PRESCRIBED BY THE WEST VIRGINIA STATE AUDITOR, KNOWN AS THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019 BUDGET FOR WHEELING MUNICIPALITY, OHIO COUNTY.

PURCHASE BULLET PROOF VESTS- POLICE

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$22,135.00 WITH MARKL SUPPLY COMPANY OF PITTSBURGH, PA, FOR BULLET PROOF VESTS AND ACCESSORIES BE CHARGED TO POLICE DEPARTMENT - 001.4700.30.2114.

PURCHASE BODY CAMERAS-PUBLIC SAFETY

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$17,155.00 WITH DIGITAL-ALLY COMPANY OF LENEXA, KS, FOR BODY CAMERAS, CHARGING DOCKS AND ACCESSORIES TO BE CHARGED TO PUBLIC SAFETY ACCOUNT- 920572534.

JAMES WHITE CONSTRUCTION-VALLEY BOULEVARD WATERLINE REPLACEMENT

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$481,765.00 WITH JAMES WHITE CONSTRUCTION CO., OF WEIRTON, WV, FOR VALLEY BOULEVARD WATERLINE REPLACEMENT TO BE CHARGED TO WATER DEPARTMENT DISTRIBUTION 400.1131.03.00

O'BRIEN'S RENT-ALL & SALES- WATER VALVE REPLACEMENT- CDBG

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$247,345.84 WITH O'BRIEN'S RENT-ALL & SALES, OF WHEELING, WV, FOR WATER VALVE REPLACEMENT- 2018 TO BE CHARGED TO CDBG 1509-017-115

SAVAGE CONSTRUCTION- HYDRANT REPLACEMENT-2018

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$147, 551.10 WITH SAVAGE CONSTRUCTION, OF WHEELING, WV, FOR HYDRANT REPLACEMENT- 2018 TO BE CHARGED TO HYDRANT REPLACEMENT 1509-017-110

AUTHORIZATION TO NEGOTIATE AGREEMENT FOR NEW MARKET TAX CREDIT CONSULTANT

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO NEGOTIATIONS AND EXECUTE ANY AND ALL NECESSARY AGREEMENTS TO INITIATE AND SECURE THE SERVICE OF A NEW MARKET TAX CREDIT CONSULTANT TO ASSIST IN DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT TO RESTORE THE FORMER WHEELING PITTSBURGH STEEL BUILDING FOR THE MIXED-USE DEVELOPMENT AND TO BUILD A PARKING STRUCTURE TO FOSTER THE REDEVELOPMENT.

CT CONSULTANTS - FLOW MONITORING SERVICES - WPCD - 2018-19

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO NEGOTIATIONS AND EXECUTE THE APPROPRIATE DOCUMENTS TO EXTEND THE SERVICE OF CT CONSULTANTS FOR TWELVE MONTHS TO CONTINUE PROVIDING FLOW MONITORING, DATA MANAGEMENT, EQUIPMENT OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE IN ACCORD WITH THE CITY'S PHASE II STATUS & PHASE III WASTEWATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS.

TRAFFIC RULE 4662- 2 HR. HANDICAPPED PARKING ZONE 14TH ST

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHEELING ADOPTING TRAFFIC RULE NO. 4662- 2 HR. HANDICAPPED PARKING ZONE 14TH ST

TRAFFIC RULE 4663- 1 HR. PARKING ZONE 14TH ST

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHEELING ADOPTING TRAFFIC RULE 4663- 1 HR. PARKING ZONE 14TH ST

TRAFFIC RULE 4664- 2 HR. PARKING ZONE- LANE F & 16TH ST.

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHEELING ADOPTING TRAFFIC RULE 4664- 2 HR. PARKING ZONE- LANE F & 16th St

RESOLUTION- AUTHORIZING SIGNATORIES FOR DISBURSEMENT OF CITY FUNDS

The following was then read:

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHEELING AUTHORIZING THE DESIGNATION OF ROBERT HERRON, CITY MANAGER, SETH MCINTYRE, FINANCE DIRECTOR, SUSAN ROBRECHT, ACCOUNTING SPECIALIST, AND BRENDA J. DELBERT, CITY CLERK, AS ELIGIBLE SIGNATORIES FOR ALL BANK CHECKS OR DRAFTS PROVIDING FOR THE DISBURSEMENT OF CITY FUNDS AT ALL DEPOSITORIES.

Mr. Thalman moved, seconded by Ms. Scatterday, that the Resolution be adopted. Motion carried.

BBR DRILLING COMPANY- EMERGENCY REPAIR- PILING WALL WARWOOD TERRACE

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$89,260.00 WITH BBR DRILLING COMPANY, OF BELMONT OH, FOR EMERGENCY REPAIR OF PILING WALL- WARWOOD TERRACE TO BE CHARGED TO RCIP SALES TAX

Mr. Thalman moved, seconded by Mr. Thorngate, that the Ordinance be read a second time. Motion carried.

The ordinance was read a second time by title. Mr. Thalman, seconded by Mr. Thorngate, that the ordinance be adopted.

The vote on the motion resulted as follows:

AYES: Elliott, Thalman, Imer, Wilson, Scatterday, Thorngate, Palmer	- 7
NOES:	-0

A majority of all those elected to Council having voted in favor, the Mayor thereupon declared the ordinance adopted.

THOSE WISHING TO BE HEARD

No one signed up to speak, and No one was present to be heard.

Mr. Thalman, seconded by Ms. Scatterday to suspend regular order of business and enter executive session to discuss personnel matter at 12:21 pm.

Mr. Thalman, seconded by Ms. Scatterday moved to resume regular order of business at 12:57 pm. Mayor Elliott declared no decisions were made, but released the following joint statement, signed by all members of council:

On Thursday, March 29, 2018 Mayor Glenn Elliott and City Manager Robert Herron each received a telephone call from West Virginia State Auditor John B. McCuskey indicating that investigators from his office had identified potential fraudulent activity by a City of Wheeling employee. As of this time, an investigation into this matter is ongoing, and the employee in question is no longer with the City. As a City Council, to a person, we are deeply troubled by the alleged conduct in question and will not be satisfied until our many questions are answered. But for now, we will have nothing further to say about this matter until such time as the Auditor's office concludes its investigation. In the meantime,

we would direct all inquiries to Cathy Price, Deputy State Auditor
for Public Affairs.

There being no further business, Mr. Thalman moved, seconded by Mr. Thorngate, to
adjourn. Motion carried. Time: 12:59 p.m.

City Clerk

Mayor