

**July 21, 2020**

Council of the City of Wheeling met virtually, on the above date, at 5:30 pm, with Mayor Elliott presiding.

On roll call, the following were present:

Present: Elliott, Thalman, Seidler, Ketchum, Sklavounakis, Thorngate, and Palmer - 7  
Absent: -0

Mr. Thalman moved, seconded by Mr. Thorngate, that the minutes of July 7, 2020 meeting be approved as received. Motion carried.

**MAYOR’S REPORT**

Mayor Elliott reports there are 172 COVID-19 Positive Cases in Ohio County.

Mayor Elliott proposes reappointment of Stuart Levy, Joyce Wolen, Wyatt Hoffman to Home Consortium for 2-year term 6/30/22. Mr. Thorngate, seconded by Mr. Thalman, to approve appointment. All in Favor. Motion passes.

Mayor Elliott proposes reappoint of Ralph Dunkin to Human Rights Commission for a three-year term. Mr. Thalman, seconded by Mr. Thorngate, moved to approve appointment. All in favor. Motion carried.

Mayor Elliott introduces David Miller and proposes his appoint to the Human Rights Commission for a three-year term. Mr. Thorngate, seconded by Mr. Thalman, to approve appointment. All in Favor. Motion passes.

Mayor Elliott introduces Betsy Sweeny and proposes her appoint to OVRTA for a three-year term. Mr. Thalman, seconded by Mr. Thorngate, moved to approve appointment. All in favor. Motion carried.

Cindy Wade, RN with Wheeling Health Right, is present. Mayor Elliott gives her Key to the City for her lifesaving efforts and intervention.

Mayor Elliott proclaims August 3, 2020 as “Frontline Workers Appreciation” Day.

**CLERK’S REPORT**

No Clerks Report

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Prior Demolition Costs- Liens

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHEELING FIXING THE ASSESSMENTS FOR THE COSTS OF RAZING DILAPIDATED STRUCTURES ON CERTAIN PROPERTIES IN THE CITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH APPLICABLE SECTIONS OF THE WEST VIRGINIA CODE AND THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WHEELING.

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

The vote on the motion resulted as follows:

AYES: Elliott, Thalman, Seidler, Ketchum, Sklavounakis, Thorngate, and Palmer - 7  
NOES: - 0

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Bus Levy- General Election- November 2020

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHEELING PROVIDING FOR AN ELECTION TO AUTHORIZE ADDITIONAL TAX LEVIES FOR THE FISCAL YEARS BEGINNING JULY 1, 2021, JULY 1, 2022, AND JULY 1, 2023, TO PROVIDE FUNDS FOR THE CITY OF WHEELING'S SHARE OF FUNDING FOR ANY DEFICIT OF OPERATING COSTS AND THE COSTS OF ACQUIRING CAPITAL EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES FOR THE SAME PERIOD FOR A SYSTEM OF URBAN MASS TRANSIT TO BE PROVIDED BY THE OHIO VALLEY REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY.

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

The vote on the motion resulted as follows:

AYES: Elliott, Thalman, Seidler, Ketchum, Sklavounakis, Thorngate, and Palmer - 7  
NOES: - 0

Bank of Ny Mellon- HUD 108- Loan Repayment- EY 2018 and EY 2019

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$205,510.00 WITH THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON OF NEW YORK, NY, FOR HUD 108 PAYMENTS TO BE CHARGED TO CDBG

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

The vote on the motion resulted as follows:

AYES: Elliott, Thalman, Seidler, Ketchum, Sklavounakis, Thorngate, and Palmer - 7  
NOES: - 0

Bearcom- Cruiser Equipment, Upfitting, Materials- Sales Tax RCIP

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$55,992.50 WITH BEARCOM OF DALLAS, TX, FOR EQUIPMENT TO OUTFIT POLICE VEHICLES TO BE CHARGED TO SALES TAX RCIP

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

The vote on the motion resulted as follows:

AYES: Elliott, Thalman, Seidler, Sklavounakis, Thorngate, and Palmer - 6  
NOES: Ketchum - 1

M&G Architects and Engineers Design Service- City Service Fee

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$522,540.00 WITH M&G ARCHITECTS & ENGINEERS OF WHEELING, WV, FOR DESIGN SERVICES FOR THE VALLEY PROFESSIONAL BUILDING CONSTRUCTION TO POLICE HEADQUARTERS AND INITIAL DESIGN SERVICES FOR FIRE STATION TO BE CHARGED TO CITY SERVICE FEE

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The ordinance was read a second time by title. Mr. Sklavounakis, seconded by Mr. Seidler, moved that the ordinance be tabled.

The vote on the motion resulted as follows:

AYES: Elliott, Thalman, Seidler, Ketchum, Sklavounakis, Thorngate, and Palmer - 7  
NOES: - 0

Mr. Thalman, seconded by Mr. Thorngate, that the BZA Minutes 5/21/20 which were held over, be accepted as received. Motion carried.

### **REMARKS FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL**

Various members of Council speak out against hate and racism. Mr. Seidler asks Mr. Herron to review 311 tickets and direct staff to address outstanding tickets.

### **REPORT OF COMMITTEES**

None

### **REPORT OF CITY MANAGER**

Mr. Herron announces there will be no Waterfront Wednesday's concerts due to COVID-19 and crowd gathering restrictions.

### **REPORT OF OTHER OFFICERS**

Mr. Thalman, seconded by Mr. Palmer, moved to hold over: Hall of Fame Minutes 3/10/20 and Wheeling Housing Authority Minutes 6/10/20 until the following meeting. Motion carried all in favor.

### **ORIGINAL PROPOSITIONS**

#### Fire Force Inc- Fire Fighting Equipment- General Fund

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$25,090 WITH FIRE FORCE INC., OF PITTSBURGH, PA, FOR FIREFIGHTING EQUIPMENT TO BE CHARGED TO GENERAL FUND

#### Pierpont Community and Technical College-AEMT Course- Fire

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$23,400 WITH PIERPONT COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE, OF FAIRMONT, WV, FOR AEMT COURSE TO BE CHARGED TO FIRE DEPARTMENT 4706.20.2152

#### Lone Pine Construction- Water waste Phase III Project F-WPCD

The following was then read:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$336,719.00 TO LONE PINE CONSTRUCTION FOR PHASE III PROJECT F CHLORINE SYSTEM REPLACEMENT, TO BE CHARGED TO WATER POLLUTION CONTROL

### **THOSE WISHING TO BE HEARD**

No one signed up to speak.

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Mr. Sklavounakis, seconded by Mr. Seidler ay to exit the regular order of business and enter into Executive Session to discuss property acquisition. Time: 6:04 p.m.

Mr. Thalman, seconded by Mr. Seidler to exit Executive Session and return to the regular order of business. Time: 6:56

There being no further business, Mr. Thalman moved, seconded by Mr. Thorngate, to adjourn. Motion carried. Time 6:56 p.m.

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City Clerk

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Mayor