

Proposed Minutes

ELKINS COMMON COUNCIL REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

***401 Davis Avenue
Council Chamber, 2nd Floor
June 17, 2021
7:00 p.m.***

Elkins Common Council met in regular session in the council chamber of city hall. Present were Mayor Jerry A. Marco; Councilpersons N.E. Bross-Fregonara, R.C. Chenoweth, C.H. Friddle, III, J.A. Guye, C.J. Higgins, G.M. Hinchman, D.C. Parker, and L.H. Vest; City Treasurer T. Judy; Interim Fire Chief S.D. Himes; Police Chief T. Bennett; Operations Manager R.P. Pingley; City Attorney G. S. Roberts; City Clerk J.R. Sutton (acting as recording secretary); and Inter-Mountain Reporter B. Johnson.

Councilpersons M. D. Cuonzo and C.C. Lowther were absent.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Burley Woods, resident of 522 Davis Avenue, remarked that he had requested and received copies of the four ordinances earlier today. Mr. Woods specifically referenced Ordinance 287 and wondered if council action was required why was the language already available online. Mr. Woods also commented that it took him approximately thirty-five minutes to review all the ordinances in preparation for tonight's meeting. He wondered if council had taken the time to do the same in order to make informed decisions while voting.

PRESENTATION

David Goldberg, CEO of MonHealth provided information to council on the organizations presence throughout the region and specifically the cardiac care center located in Elkins. Mr. Goldberg was joined by Jonathan Board, Director of External Affairs, Denise Palmer, Health and Vascular Director, and Beth Butcher, Clinical Coordinator of the Elkins facility. One of their stated goals is to provide equal care to all patients accessing their system, regardless of location. MonHealth also partners with local organizations to support the community.

Karen Jacobson, Randolph County Housing Authority Director, described their mission to develop strong communities and accessible housing. The organization employs twenty-four people and operates a budget of approximately \$4.5 million. Mrs. Jacobson provided printed information regarding their recent 40 year anniversary; COVID response; and 2021 development projects. The RCHA facilitates programs that focus on homelessness, employment and youth. They recently learned of the loss of funding for their YouthBuild program, which they have been operating for 25 years, and may be looking for partners to sustain it moving forward.

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Cm. Chenoweth, **MOVED APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE JUNE 10, 2021 SPECIAL MEETING.** The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Cw. Bross-Fregonara, **MOVED APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE 284: AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELKINS, WEST VIRGINIA REVISING AND AMENDING ELKINS CITY CODE §93.093 THROUGH §93.102 REGARDING THE ELKINS TREE BOARD (1ST OF TWO READINGS).** The motion carried.

Cw. Bross-Fregonara, **MOVED APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE 285: AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELKINS, WEST VIRGINIA REVISING AND AMENDING ELKINS CITY CODE §93.070 THROUGH §93.076 REGARDING STREET AND ALLEY ABANDONMENT PROCEDURES (1ST OF TWO READINGS).** The motion carried.

Cw. Bross-Fregonara, **MOVED APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE 286: AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELKINS, WEST VIRGINIA REVISING AND AMENDING ELKINS CITY CODE §130.085, §130.086 AND §130.999 REGARDING NUISANCE PROPERTIES (1ST OF TWO READINGS).** The motion carried.

Cm. Chenoweth, **MOVED APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE 287: AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELKINS, WEST VIRGINIA AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING ORDINANCE 274 KNOWN AS THE ADOPTING ORDINANCE FOR THE CODIFIED VERSION OF THE ELKINS CITY CODE AS OF AUGUST 20, 2020 (1ST OF TWO READINGS).** The motion carried.

Cm. Chenoweth, **MOVED APPROVAL OF SANITATION DEPARTMENT FY22 BUDGET.** The motion carried.

Cw. Bross-Fregonara, **MOVED APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 1416: AUTHORIZING THE ELKINS FIRE DEPARTMENT TO PURCHASE A NEW SUTPHEN CUSTOM ENGINE.** The motion carried.

APPROVAL OF VENDOR INVOICE PAYMENTS

Cm. Hinchman, **MOVED APPROVAL OF THE INVOICES PRESENTED.** The motion carried.

The invoices in question were as specified on the following list, which is attached and made part of this record:

- Accounts Payable check transactions for the period June 7-11, 2021

CORRESPONDENCE AND NOTIFICATIONS

Council received the following correspondence and notifications:

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- Events

Cw. Guye, **MOVED ADJOURNMENT.** The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

*Approved by council at the meeting
of MONTH DAY, YEAR*

Jerry A. Marco, Mayor

Attest:

Jessica R. Sutton, City Clerk