CITY OF OAK HILL
M I N U T E S
City Council Meeting - November 2020
November 09, 2020 - 6:30 PM

The regular monthly meeting of the Oak Hill City Council was held on Monday, November 9, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom due to the COVID 19 pandemic.

Call to Order
The Mayor called the meeting to order.

Roll Call
The Clerk called the roll with the following results:
Present
Mayor Daniel E. Wright
Tom Oxley
Michelle Holly
Diana Janney
Melissa Wilshire
Steve Hayslette
Charles Smallwood, Jr.
Benitez Jackson

Invocation
Councilor Oxley gave the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance
Councilor Holly led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Reading and Approval of Minutes
Motion - ***Dismiss with the reading of and approve the minutes of October 12, 2020.***

Motion carried 7-0.
Motion made by Council Member Janney, Seconded by Council Member Oxley.
Voting Yea: Council Member Oxley, Council Member Holly, Council Member Janney, Council Member Wilshire, Council Member Hayslette, Council Member Smallwood, Jr., Council Member Jackson

Treasurer's Report
Motion- ***Approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. This report includes the Vendor Checks Report and financial statements.***

Motion carried 7-0

Motion made by Council Member Wilshire, Seconded by Council Member Holly.
Voting Yea: Council Member Oxley, Council Member Holly, Council Member Janney, Council Member Wilshire, Council Member Hayslette, Council Member Smallwood, Jr., Council Member Jackson

Correspondence
None

Citizens Comments
Kevin Willis reported that the lights are out in the alley leading to the city parking lot.
Jim Ayres reported that property owners are having problems with the street curbs due to the repaving of the streets.

Council Comments and Department Reports
The Mayor asked council members and department heads for comments. The following items were discussed: speeding in Minden, the resignation of Councilor Holly due to her becoming the Fayette County Clerk, sunken manholes on Main Street; status of Mahan Street, playground in Minden.

Mayoral Comments
The Mayor congratulated Councilor Holly on winning the County Clerk race in the recent election.

Unfinished Business

1. **Consideration to Adopt an Ordinance Comprising of the Conservation Easement Agreement for Needleseye Park - 2nd Reading**
   The WV Land Trust has asked Council to adopt an ordinance concerning the Needleseye Park conservation easement.

   Motion- ***Accept this as the 2nd reading and adoption of an ordinance consisting of the establishment of Needleseye Park and the adoption of the deed and reservation of the conservation easement.***
   Motion carried 7-0.
   Motion made by Council Member Holly, Seconded by Council Member Wilshire.
   Voting Yea: Council Member Oxley, Council Member Holly, Council Member Janney, Council Member Wilshire, Council Member Hayslette, Council Member Smallwood, Jr., Council Member Jackson
   Councilor Oxley was disconnected from the meeting at this time.

2. **Request for Abandonment of Approximately 205 Feet of Right-of-Way Between Shumate St. and Sanford St. 2nd Reading**

   Motion- ***Accept this as the 2nd reading to abandon approximately 205 feet of right of way between Shumate Street and Sanford Street.***

Motion carried 6-0.
Motion made by Council Member Janney, Seconded by Council Member Jackson.
Voting Yea: Council Member Holly, Council Member Janney, Council Member Wilshire, Council Member Hayslette, Council Member Smallwood, Jr., Council Member Jackson

3. **Request for Abandonment of Right-of-Way Between Parcel 69, 71, 72, 73, and 74 on Map 58L in Minden 2nd Reading**

Motion- ***Accept this as the 2nd reading to abandon the right of way between parcels 69, 71, 72, 73, and 74 in Minden.***
Motion carried 6-0
Motion made by Council Member Hayslette, Seconded by Council Member Wilshire.
Voting Yea: Council Member Holly, Council Member Janney, Council Member Wilshire, Council Member Hayslette, Council Member Smallwood, Jr., Council Member Jackson

4. **Consideration and Adoption of a Resolution for the City to Demolish the Structure at 10 Rocklick School Rd., Map 59J, Parcel 13, Owned by Gauley Outdoor Center**

Motion - ***Adopt a resolution for the city to demolish the structure at 10 Rocklick School Road owned by Gauley Outdoor Center.***
Motion carried 6-0.
Motion made by Council Member Hayslette, Seconded by Council Member Wilshire.
Voting Yea: Council Member Holly, Council Member Janney, Council Member Wilshire, Council Member Hayslette, Council Member Smallwood, Jr., Council Member Jackson

5. **Consideration and Adoption of a Resolution for the City to Demolish the Structure at 40 Beaver Rd., Map 59E, Parcel 23, Owned by ACE Adventure Resort**
The City Manager withdrew this item from the agenda because the structure has been demolished by the owner.

6. **Consideration and Adoption of a Resolution for the City to Demolish the Structure at 118A High St., Map 7, Parcel 226, Owned by Novelle Barrett**

Motion - ***Adopt a resolution for the City to demolish the structure at 118A High St. owned by Novelle Barrett.***
Motion carried 6-0.
Motion made by Council Member Wilshire, Seconded by Council Member Janney.
Voting Yea: Council Member Holly, Council Member Janney, Council Member Wilshire, Council Member Hayslette, Council Member Smallwood, Jr., Council Member Jackson

7. **Structural Inspection Board (SIB) Recommendation to Demolish the Structure at 11 Rocklick School Rd., Map 59J, Parcel 14, Owned by Randy Crawford**

Motion - ***Accept the recommendation of the SIB and order Randy Crawford to demolish the structure at 11 Rocklick School Road.***
Motion carried 6 - 0
Motion made by Council Member Janney, Seconded by Council Member Jackson.
Voting Yea: Council Member Holly, Council Member Janney, Council Member Wilshire, Council Member Hayslette, Council Member Smallwood, Jr., Council Member Jackson

New Business

8. **SIB Recommendation to Demolish the Structure at East Main St. (Exxon Gas Station & Car Wash), Map 18, Parcel 459, 460, & 462, Owned by C&E Investments, Inc. and 3 Brothers Rentals, Inc.**
The City Manager reported that the portion owned by 3 Brothers Rentals, Inc. has already been demolished.

Motion - ***Order C&E Investments to demolish the structure known as Exxon Gas Station & Car Wash. This does not include the canopies or tanks.***
Motion carried 6-0.
Motion made by Council Member Wilshire, Seconded by Council Member Hayslette.
Voting Yea: Council Member Holly, Council Member Janney, Council Member Wilshire, Council Member Hayslette, Council Member Smallwood, Jr., Council Member Jackson

9. **SIB Recommendation to Demolish the Structure at 1013 1/2 Summerlee Ave., Map 24, Parcel 206.01, Owned by Steven L. Grunenberg**

Motion - ***Accept the SIB recommendation and order Steven L. Grunenberg to demolish the structure at 1013 1/2 Summerlee Ave.***
Motion carried 6-0
Motion made by Council Member Janney, Seconded by Council Member Holly.
Voting Yea: Council Member Holly, Council Member Janney, Council Member Wilshire, Council Member Hayslette, Council Member Smallwood, Jr., Council Member Jackson

10. **SIB Recommendation to Repair the Structure at 830 East Main St., Map 26, Parcel 108 and 101, Owned by Lewis Chevrolet Co.**

Motion - ***Accept the recommendation of the SIB and order the repair of the structure at 830 E. Main Street.***

Motion carried 5-0 with Councilor Hayslette abstaining.
Motion made by Council Member Janney, Seconded by Council Member Jackson.
Voting Yea: Council Member Holly, Council Member Janney, Council Member Wilshire, Council Member Smallwood, Jr., Council Member Jackson
Voting Abstaining: Council Member Hayslette

11. Vacancy on Council

There is a vacancy on council due to the resignation of Michelle Holly. Council discussed the best way to fill the position.

Motion - ***Accept resumes or letters of interest for the vacant council position from residents of Ward 1 until 4:00 p.m. on Friday, December 4, 2020. Council will vote for the new member on December 14, and the person will be sworn in on January 11, 2021.***
Motion carried 6-0.
Motion made by Council Member Wilshire, Seconded by Council Member Janney.
Voting Yea: Council Member Holly, Council Member Janney, Council Member Wilshire, Council Member Hayslette, Council Member Smallwood, Jr., Council Member Jackson

Adjournment

Motion - ***Adjourn the meeting.***

Motion carried 6-0.
Motion made by Council Member Janney, Seconded by Council Member Hayslette.
Voting Yea: Council Member Holly, Council Member Janney, Council Member Wilshire, Council Member Hayslette, Council Member Smallwood, Jr., Council Member Jackson

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Mayor Daniel E. Wright **City Clerk Damita Johnson**