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ELKINS COMMON COUNCIL REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

***401 Davis Avenue
Council Chamber, 2nd Floor
July 16, 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, M. D. Cuonzo, 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; Lieutenant R.W. Belt; 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.

Councilperson C.C. Lowther was absent.

PRESENTATION

Logan Smith, Deputy Director, and Lucas Ray, Communications and Partnership Manager, provided information about the Appalachian National Forest Heritage Area (ANFHA) becoming a National Heritage Area in 2019. The ANFHA serves 18 counties in WV and MD who share similar forest heritage and history. A large component of the ANFHA is the AmeriCorps program. This consumes 18% of their budget and has one of the most visible impacts on communities. Moving forward the ANFHA is developing a National Heritage Management Plan through collaborative meetings. The plan will help guide the organization in its mission, including historic preservation, cultural conservation, natural and recreation access, education and interpretation programs, tourism and economic development. Mr. Smith showed great appreciation for the City's partnership and support. Several current and past ANFHA AmeriCorps members also attended.

Seth Young of the Augusta Heritage Center promoted advocacy and awareness to council about this asset to the community. The Augusta Heritage Center, started in 1973 at the Tygart Hotel and moved to the campus of D&E in 1981 in an effort to preserve traditional Appalachian arts. Now, the organization sees participants and online members from all 50 states and over 25 countries. Mr. Young and assistant Emily Miller, with the help of an AmeriCorps member are digitizing years of audio recordings and pushing content out online. The Augusta Heritage Center is offering a number of events this summer and fall and are expecting a large turnout from people all across the country and world. One focus moving forward for Augusta is to increase opportunities to partner with the community and bring August downtown.

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MINUTES

Cm. Chenoweth, **MOVED APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE JULY 1, 2021 MEETING.** The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Cm. Hinchman, **MOVED APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 1423: APPROVAL OF BUDGET REVISION 2022-001-01 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022.** In accordance with the requirements of the state auditor’s office for interdepartmental budget revisions, the chair ordered a roll-call vote. The recording secretary called roll in random order. The motion carried. Council votes were as follows:

N. Bross-Fregonara	Yes	J. Guye	Yes	D. Parker	Yes
R. Chenoweth	Yes	C. Higgins	Yes	L. Vest	Yes
M. Cuonzo	Yes	M. Hinchman	Yes	Mayor J. Marco (in case of tie)	n/a
C. Friddle, III	Yes	C. Lowther	Absent		

Cm. Parker, **MOVED APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 1424: ACCEPTING CONDITIONS OF FINANCING AGREEMENT AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF FINANCING DOCUMENTS FOR A SANITATION TRUCK.** Cm. Friddle, **MOVED APPROVAL TO AMEND RESOLUTION 1424 TO INCLUDE LANGUAGE AWARDED THE FINANCING TO BB&T BANK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$182,603.00 FOR 6 YEARS AT A RATE OF 1.37%.** The motion to amend carried. The original motion to approve carried.

Cw. Cuonzo, **MOVED APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 1425: REAPPOINTMENT OF K. HOPWOOD AND C. TONEY TO THE ELKINS-RANDOLPH COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES.** The motion carried.

Cm. Chenoweth, **MOVED APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 1426: REAPPOINTMENT OF J. PASTINE TO THE IPMC BOARD OF APPEALS.** The motion carried.

Cm. Friddle, **MOVED APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 1427: APPOINTMENT OF N. BROSS-FREGONARA TO THE ELKINS TREE BOARD.** The motion carried.

Cw. Cuonzo, **MOVED APPROVAL OF REQUEST BY SMOKER FRIENDLY FOR ABCA SPECIAL EVENT ENDORSEMENT FOR THE 2021 MOUNTAIN STATE FOREST FESTIVAL.** The motion carried.

APPROVAL OF VENDOR INVOICE PAYMENTS

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

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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 28 - July 9, 2021.

CORRESPONDENCE AND NOTIFICATIONS

Council received the following correspondence and notifications:

- Issued building permits
- Events
 - Pioneer Insurance Agency Inc. – Motorcycle Show
 - Rivers of Living Water Ministry – Vacation Bible School Block Party

The following building permits have been issued since the previous regular council meeting.

ISSUED BUILDING PERMITS				
Permit	Applicant	Location	Description	Value
210137	Miller, Robert	106 Sunset Dr	Replace Roof Shingles	12,000.00
210138	Big Timber Brewing Co.	15 River St.	Demolition	10,000.00
210139	Big Timber Brewing Co.	20 River St	Demolition	10,000.00
210140	Rush, Andrea	1516 Lavalette Ave.	Porch Floor	3,000.00
210141	Sims, Barbara	203 Andrews St	Water Damage Repair	25,000.00
210142	Sims, Barbara	203 Andrews St	Replace Roof	25,000.00
210143	Wiseman, Johnie	208 Scentral St	Fence	1,000.00
210144	Lloyd, Rosezetta	201 Ellis Ave	Metal Roof	4,800.00
210145	King, William	15 Henry Ave.	Replace Windows & Siding	500.00
210146	Howell, Bruce	109 Bruce St	Drywall, Roof & Windows	6,000.00
210147	Elkins Church of God	1402 Taylor Ave	Replace Roof Shingle	24,000.00
210148	Abel, Daniel	201 Barnard Ave	Install Rubber Roof	15,500.00
210149	Marshall Properties LLC	214 Third St	Install Rubber Roof	16,250.00
210150	Schauman, William	201 Southview Dr	Replace Roof Shingles	9,375.00

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Permit	Applicant	Location	Description	Value
210151	Smith, Dustin	121 High St	Replace Roof Shingles	9,270.00
210152	Martin, Ben	119 Guy St	Fence	6,250.00
210153	Mountain Valley Bank	317 Davis Ave	Block in Open Spaces Replace Window and Replace Sign	35,000.00

Cm. Higgins, **MOVED ADJOURNMENT.** The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

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

Jerry A. Marco, Mayor

Attest:

Jessica R. Sutton, City Clerk