

# City of Morgantown

## *MINUTES* COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING October 30, 2023

**The Committee of the Whole Meeting, October 30, 2023:** The Committee of the Whole Meeting of the Common Council of the City of Morgantown was held in Monongalia County Commission Chambers, on Monday, October 30, 2023, at 7:15p.m.

**PRESENT:** City Manager Kim Haws, Assistant City Manager Emily Muzzarelli, Mayor Jenny Selin, Deputy Mayor Joe Abu-Ghannam, City Attorney Ryan Simonton, Council Members, Bill Kawecki, Louise “Wheez” Michael, Danielle Trumble, Dave Harshbarger, and Brian Butcher.

The meeting was called to order, by Deputy Mayor Abu-Ghannam.

### **PRESENTATIONS:**

#### **A. Strategic Plan for Sidewalks – Staff Engineer Drew Gatlin**

Staff Engineer Drew Gatlin gave a presentation on the Strategic Plan for the Sidewalks in the city.

#### **B. Health Right Harm Reduction Program Update – Health Right Executive Director Laura Jones**

Laura Jones presented an update to the Living in good health together (LIGHT) Harm Reduction Program.

#### **C. Human Rights Commission – Chair Annie Cronan Yorick**

Chair Annie Cronan Yorick presented Annual Report for the Human Rights Commission.

### **PUBLIC PORTION:**

Deputy Mayor Abu-Ghannam opened the public portion and asked if there was anyone wishing to speak.

Jennifer Powell, 215 Monongahela Avenue, spoke regarding the Warming Shelter and that Sabra Baptist Church will be providing shelter for the winter months.

Laura Jones stated that Health Right is involved with the Health Management of the Warming Shelter project.

There being no one else wishing to speak, Deputy Mayor Abu-Ghannam closed the Public Portion.

### **ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:**

#### **A. An Ordinance Authorizing a Lease Agreement with Avis Car Rental, LLC at the Morgantown Municipal Airport**

City Manager Kim Haws explained. After discussion, this item was moved to the November 7, 2023, Regular

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Meeting Agenda.

Announcements:

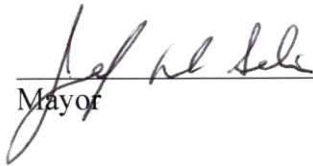
Councilor Butcher – He mentioned that the Morgantown Fire Department will be hosting a Fire Training at the Suncrest Primary School located at 523 Junior Avenue at 9am starting October 31<sup>st</sup> – November 2<sup>nd</sup>. So, he wanted to let everyone know that lives in that area that if they see the MFD on the roof not to panic, it is a training, and they have approval by the school system.

Councilor Trumble – Morgantown Area Partnership, Mon County Development Authority, and representatives of the private Developer on the Richwood Development Project will be having a meeting at Woodburn Community Complex, November 1, 2023, 7pm to hear any questions, concerns, and or comments from the public & the neighborhood in general.

Deputy Mayor Abu-Ghannam gave a friendly reminder that Halloween and Trick-or-Treat is set for October 31, 2023, from 6pm – 8pm.

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business, motion by Councilor Butcher, second by Councilor Trumble, to adjourn the meeting. Time: 8:53 p.m.

  
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City Clerk

  
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Mayor