

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING October 25, 2016:

The committee of the whole meeting of the Common Council of the City of Morgantown was held in the Council Chambers on Tuesday, October 25, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Interim City Manager Glen Kelly, City Attorney Ryan Simonton, Mayor Marti Shamberger, Deputy Mayor Kawecki, Ron Bane, Wes Nugent, Jenny Selin, Jay Redmond, and Nancy Ganz.

Deputy Mayor Kawecki called the meeting to order.

PRESENTATIONS:

1. Animal Control & Double Taxation

Dana Johnson, Manager of Canine Adoption gave Council an overview of what the County does for the Cities agreement of \$37,000. She stated that wardens enforce City laws, collect dead cats and dogs. Council asked questions. Renetta McClure, Commission Administrator, explained to Council that each municipality adds its own tax, county residents pay \$3.00, city resident pays \$6.00 and the assessor collects \$3.00 which is 10% and the rest is the cities.

2. Arts Mon Presentation- Jack Thompson

Deputy Mayor Kawecki announced Mr. Thompson canceled due to illness and will do presentation at November 29th, 2016 Cow. He also announced that Mr. Thompson was going to announce the upcoming Art Auction on November 11, 2016.

3. Habitat for Humanity

Shawanda Cook, Director for Habitat for Humanity, informed Council of upcoming homes being built and requested their support in waving fees for building permits. After discussion and question session, Deputy Mayor called for Green Team Presentation.

4. Green Team Presentation

Joey James, representing Green Team, presented the Energy Assessment Report to Council. He stated that the report the locations were assessed City Hall, Public Safety Building, Woodburn (Main Building), Woodburn (Friends of Decker's Creek), Southside Fire Station, City Maintenance Garage and Signs and Signals. He noted that the implementation cost would be \$113,104 and that the potential saving would be \$32,755. He asked Council per the Green Team to consider a budget line item for this project to continue this cost savings for the City. After discussion and suggestions from assessment member Alexandra Davis, Deputy Mayor called for John Sonnenday Presentation.

5. John Sonnenday Presentation

John Sonnenday, Chair, Coordinating Council on Homeless, updated Council on the progress made since the Task Force was developed and how pleased he was with the community meeting at the Spruce Street Church. He noted that from that meeting many committees have been formed and another meeting will be held soon to look at each committee to see what comes next. He thanked Council for their continued support of this

community concern.

PUBLIC PORTION:

Travis Henline, Director of Main Street, read a letter of support in hiring Glen Kelly as the next City Manager for Morgantown. **Exhibit A**

Joseph Schaeffer, Attorney speaking on behalf of Calvary Baptist Church urged Council to place the Zoning on to the Regular agenda for First Reading.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

1. Double Taxation

After explanation from Interim City Manager Glen Kelly and discussion from Council. No action on this item.

2. Arts Mon

After discussion of waiving fees for Arts Mon. Council requested the Interim City Manager Glen Kelly to research the waiving of the fees for non-profits and report back to Council. No action on this item.

3. John Sonnenday-Task Force

After discussion Mayor Shamberger requested to support task force with a Resolution and to appoint a City Councilor to be a member on the Task Force. Council by consensus referred item to the Regular Agenda.

4. Firearm Ordinance

Interim City Manager Glen Kelly explained the ordinance. After discussion, and questions by Council. Council referred ordinance to the Regular Agenda by consensus.

5. Zoning Ordinance Southern Baptist Convention RZ 16-05

Interim City Manager Glen Kelly explained the zoning ordinance and that the Planning Commission voted not to approve, but per procedure ordinance must be placed on the Regular Agenda. Council suspended the rules to have Chris Fletcher, Planning Director answer questions. Mr. Fletcher informed Council the opposition was that the area neighbors wanted the zoning to remain R-1. After discussion, Council referred Zoning Ordinance to the Regular Agenda by consensus.

6. Legislative Issues

Interim City Manager Glen Kelly presented proposed Legislative Items to Council for 2017:

Airport Protection Against Land Development and Land Use Encroachments. Overlay District, Reintroduction and continued support of H.B. 2479, change in aviation fuel tax from 14.2 cents a gallon to 25

cents a gallon to support the State of West Virginia's 5% match of FAA grants for airports and review and introduce Unauthorized Substance Tax. After discussion, and questions asked by Council to Interim City Manager Glen Kelly, City Attorney Ryan Simonton and Chief Ed Preston. Council by consensus approved the 4 Legislative items presented by the Interim City Manager. **Exhibit B**

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, Council adjourned the committee of the whole meeting at 9:30 pm.

City Clerk

Mayor

Exhibit A



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October 20, 2016

Dear Mrs. Tucker:

Please find attached a letter of support from Main Street Morgantown. We would like to request that this letter be distributed to each member of the Morgantown City Council and to the acting City Manager, Glenn Kelly prior to the Committee of the Whole meeting on Tuesday, October 25.

Please let me know should you have any questions or concerns. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Travis Henline

Executive Director

Main Street Morgantown



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Morgantown City Council:

On behalf of Main Street Morgantown, we would like to offer our commendation and thanks to Colonel Glen Kelly for the leadership and vision he has brought to the position of City Manager while he has been serving in that role in recent months. Colonel Kelly has demonstrated a refreshing leadership approach that has been very effective in moving a number of things forward, facilitating momentum and results regarding several projects and issues. His approach has been very proactive and his understanding of the issues facing our city has been clear. There have been noticeable and tangible differences that we have witnessed and that have been reported to us by a number of individuals in the business and non-profit communities of our city, among others. Moreover, many people have indicated there has been a palpable improvement in attitude and morale among city employees since Colonel Kelly has assumed this leadership role.

We at Main Street Morgantown would like to reiterate our support of Colonel Kelly, and highly encourage the Morgantown City Council to consider him for the permanent position as our next City Manager. He is capable, determined and effective, and we believe he is the best choice to move our city forward. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Travis Henline

Executive Director

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