

SPECIAL MEETING JULY 20, 2010:

The special meeting of the Common Council of the City of Morgantown was held in the Council Chambers on Tuesday, July 20, 2010 at 7:10 p.m.

PRESENT:

Mayor Bill Byrne, City Manager Dan Boroff, Assistant City Manager Jeff Mikorski, Deputy Clerk Bethany Sypolt, and Council Members Ron Bane, John Gaddis, Charlie Byrer, Jenny Selin, Marti Shamberger and Don Spencer.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Byrne.

NEW BUSINESS:

INTERVIEW OF FINAL CANDIDATE FOR PLANNING COMMISSION VACANCY:

Mayor Byrne asked Mr. William Wyant to step forward. He began the interview by asking Mr. Wyant to express what makes him a qualified applicant for the Planning Commission. Mr. Wyant enumerated his various qualifications for Council. Mayor Byrne asked Council if they had further questions for Mr. Wyant.

Councilor Byrer asked Mr. Wyant what quality of life issues he feels affects Morgantown. Mr. Wyant answered that he feels traffic and infrastructure at the two main issues and he went into further detail on these topics.

Councilor Shamberger asked what decision making skills he feels he possesses. Mr. Wyant replied that the best decision makers make choices that do the most good and benefit the most people. He feels he possesses the ability to do this.

Councilor Spencer asked Mr. Wyant what “Big Picture” issues he would take to the Planning Commission as an opportunity to address. He replied that he would seek to ease the tension between old and new residents, who all have a different stake in the community. He would seek participation from new residents for new ideas and integrate them into the existing infrastructure.

Councilor Selin asked how he feels about making hard decisions that may upset neighbors and others he knows. Mr. Wyant stated that he feels he can keep personal and professional separate and the key is not taking it personally. His reaction to issues will set the tone for others. He feels that members of the Commission should be productive and seek to advance the community.

Mayor Byrne thanked Mr. Wyant for his time and answers.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion by Shamberger, second by Selin, to go into an executive session pursuant to Section 6-9A-4-2 of the West Virginia Code in order to discuss personnel matters with the following persons present: Mayor Bill Byrne, Council Members, City Manager and Assistant City Manager. Time 7:25 p.m.

NOMINATION TO FILL ONE VACANCY ON THE PLANNING COMMISSION:

After nomination by Mr. Boroff, Council appointed by acclamation William Wyant to the Planning Commission. Motion carried 7-0.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, Council adjourned in order to begin the Regular Meeting. Time 7:45 p.m.

City Clerk

Mayor

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