

SPECIAL COUNCIL SESSION
609 29th Street, Vienna, WV 26105
February 18, 2021
7:00 P.M.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The invocation was given by Troy Nesselrode. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Roger Bibbee.

PUBLIC FORUM:

No sign ups.

CALL TO ORDER:

The Vienna City Council met in Special Session on February 18, 2021. Mayor Randy Rapp called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Roll call was taken by Mayor Rapp with the following Council members present: Kim Williams, Tom Azinger, Jim Leach, Roger Bibbee, Mike Elam, City Attorney Russell Skogstad, Recorder Melissa Elam, and Mayor Randy Rapp.

REPORT OF THE MINUTES:

The minutes of the Regular Council Session scheduled on 2/11/2021 have been printed, posted, and circulated. With no corrections, the minutes were approved as posted.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. None.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. OUTSIDE AGENCY BUDGET PRESENTATIONS

Vienna Library: Cassie Rapp, Board President represented the Library and reported that services were broadened due to necessity during the pandemic and resources became more accessible to the community. Virtual options have increased. Questions can be directed to brenna@viennapubliclibrary.org.

River City Runners Club: Lou Molinaro was not present but asked Mayor Rapp to communicate that he asks that we leave them in the budget. Vienna Road Race will not take place this year but it is hoped to take place next year. Requesting \$1,000.00.

Wood County Development Authority: Lindsey Piersol reported on their ability to be a resource for those who are looking to develop economic projects in our area. WCDA maintains a full county property database for any valuation and size. Requesting \$5,000.00.

Chamber of Commerce of the Mid-Ohio Valley: Jill Parsons was not present but sent a letter. Requesting \$3,000.00.

Greater Parkersburg Convention and Visitors Bureau: Mark Lewis was unable to come but packets are going to be given to council. Contribution is mandated.

Kids First Program/Family Crisis Intervention Center: Cindy Buckingham presented and stated that more space is needed. Funding from the city goes toward their rent. They currently occupy a space with about 1,000 sq ft but they need 2,000-2,500 sq ft. Requesting \$3,500.

Humane Society of Parkersburg: Gary McIntyre explained that their fundraising abilities were the most affected by the pandemic. Requesting \$31,132.00.

Artsbridge: Kate Hushion reported that she created Art Cart five years ago and it teaches art to all 4th and 5th grade students in Wood County. Money from Council goes to the 20 programs they offer. Requesting \$2,000.00.

MOV Fellowship Home: Sherry Adams, Community Engagement Specialist, reported that they consistently have a long waiting list. COVID has restricted their occupancy to about half of what it would be normally. This past year, they were able to install two large food pantries and replace old carpet with new flooring. Requesting \$3,500.00.

MOV Health Department: Eric Walker, Administrator, presented and requested a 25% increase in our donation. Requesting \$6,000.00. They have been on the frontline of fighting the community health crisis.

MOV Regional Council: Mandated funding based on population.

Wood Washington Wirt Regional Planning Commission: Mandated funding based on population.

Latrobe Street Mission: Jim Sims stated that our donation goes directly to the feeding program. Requesting \$2,500.00

Wood County Senior Citizens: Kelly Goedel could not attend. Mayor Rapp stated that they supply meals on wheels to citizens in Vienna. Requesting \$4,300.000.

MOV Work Camp: A representative could not be present. They did not hold their work camp this year and would like to apply it to next year's camp. Requesting \$3,000.00

Council Comments:

Councilman Jim Leach suggests adding the \$4,000 that was not used by River City Runners Club and the MOV Work Camp and reallocating it to Kid's First.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Melissa Elam, Recorder

Randall C. Rapp, Mayor

APPROVED: _____
 Initials Date