

April 15, 2025

Council of the City of Wheeling met, on the above date, at 5:30pm, at 1500 Chapline Street Wheeling, WV with Mayor Magruder presiding.

On roll call, the following were present:

Present: Assaro, Cain, Palmer, Magruder, Sklavounakis, Seidler, Thorngate -7
Absent: -0

Mr. Palmer moved, seconded by Mr. Thorngate that the minutes of April 1, 2025 meeting be accepted as received. All in favor. Motion Carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Magruder remarked on his recent trip to Washington DC with City Manager and other leaders from the City. Mayor Magruder presented a proclamation honoring Knights of Columbus Carrol Council 504 for 125 years of service. Mayor Magruder presented a proclamation honoring local band Tongue N' Cheek on 20 years of performances.

CLERK'S REPORT

Clerk Zalenski presented notice of application to operate a private club, located at 316 Washington Avenue, Wheeling University. Application forwarded to WVABCA without comment.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Amending & Reenacting Article 507 Dogs & Cats

The following was then read by title:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHEELING AMENDING AND REENACTING ARTICLE 507 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WHEELING ENTITLED DOGS AND CATS TO ADD §507.14 ENTITLED FEEDING OF FERAL, STRAY AND/OR UNDOMESTICATED CATS/FELINES

The ordinance was read a second time by title. No motion was made; therefore, ordinance expires due to absence of action.

Grade 8 Solutions LLC- Replacement Pumps Royal Oaks

Station- WPCD

The following was then read by title:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$18,384.90 WITH GRADE 8 SOLUTIONS LLC OF WARREN, OH FOR PURCHASE REPLACEMENT PUMPS FOR ROYAL OAKS LIFT STATION TO BE CHARGED TO WATER POLLUTION CONTROL

The ordinance was read a second time by title. Mr. Seidler, seconded by Mr. Assaro moved that the ordinance be adopted.

The vote on the motion resulted as follows

AYES: Cain, Assaro, Palmer, Magruder, Sklavounakis, Seidler, Thorngate -7

NOES: -0

A majority of those elected to Council having voted in favor, the mayor thereupon declared the ordinance adopted.

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M&G- Engineering Services Clay School Regular RCIP

The following was then read by title:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$62,000.00 WITH M&G ARCHITECTS AND ENGINEERS OF WHEELING, WV FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR DEMOLITION OF CLAY SCHOOL TO BE CHARGED TO REGULAR RCIP

The ordinance was read a second time by title. Mr. Sklavounakis seconded by Ms. Cain, moved that the ordinance be adopted.

The vote on the motion resulted as follows

AYES: Cain, Assaro, Palmer, Magruder, Sklavounakis, Seidler, Thorngate

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NOES:

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A majority of those elected to Council having voted in favor, the mayor thereupon declared the ordinance adopted.

REMARKS FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

Mr. Seidler noted of neighborhood cleanups, May 3rd Fulton, May 10th North Wheeling and May 17th on Wheeling Island.

Ms. Cain remarked on the tree planting event at Wheeling Park celebrating 100 years, the park plans to plant 100 trees. Ms. Cain noted of the upcoming South Wheeling Crime Watch on April 22nd.

Mr. Thorngate reminded for establishments wishing to participate in the PODA district to submit applications asap.

Mr. Palmer reminded of Ward 6 Crime Watch meeting on April 16th at Elm Grove Civics, and thanked Senator Weld and delegates Flannigan and Fluharty for their responsiveness.

Mr. Assaro informed of the Warwood Dog park now open, and of the Grow Warwood Pride meeting on April 16th.

REPORT OF CITY MANAGER

Mr. Herron informed on the process of the WPCD Bond related to necessary acquisitions and improvements, the council meeting on May 6th will have a public hearing and third and final reading, this short-term bond will help cover damages from the April 2024 flood event, to be reimbursed by FEMA. Bid opening for Clay School demolition will be on May 20th. The new fire department rescue truck is now in service. Mr. Herron respectfully asked for two reads on original proposition #5 which is the council levy budget due to the state. Mr. Palmer asked Mr. Herron to clarify planters within the streetscape area. Mr. Herron informed the planters are designed to be visual appealing once plants grow but also to help with stormwater management.

ORIGINAL PROPOSITIONS

WPCD Bond Related to Necessary Acquisitions & Improvements

The following was then read by title:

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION OF CERTAIN EXTENSIONS, ADDITIONS, BETTERMENTS AND IMPROVEMENTS TO THE SEWERAGE PORTION OF THE EXISTING COMBINED PUBLIC WATERWORKS AND SEWERAGE SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF WHEELING AND THE FINANCING OF THE COST THEREOF, NOT OTHERWISE PROVIDED, THROUGH THE ISSUANCE BY THE CITY OF WHEELING OF NOT MORE THAN \$3,000,000 IN ORIGINAL AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL

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AMOUNT OF COMBINED WATERWORKS AND SEWERAGE SYSTEM REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2025 A (WEST VIRGINIA INFRASTRUCTURE FUND); PROVIDING FOR THE RIGHTS AND REMEDIES OF AND SECURITY FOR THE REGISTERED OWNERS OF SUCH BONDS; AUTHORIZING EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF ALL DOCUMENTS RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS; APPROVING, RATIFYING AND CONFIRMING A LOAN AGREEMENT RELATING TO SUCH BONDS; AUTHORIZING THE SALE AND PROVIDING FOR THE TERMS AND PROVISIONS OF SUCH BONDS AND ADOPTING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING THERETO.

Replacement Pages 2024 Codified Ordinances

The following was then read by title:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHEELING APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE 2024 REPLACEMENT PAGES TO THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WHEELING.

ICR Equipment-Yanmar Excavator-WPCD Vehicle

Replacement Fund

The following was then read by title:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$81,750.00 WITH ICR EQUIPMENT OF BELLAIRE OH FOR 2024 YANMAR EXCAVATOR FOR WATER POLLUTION CONTROL DEPARTMENT TO BE CHARGED TO WPCD REPLACEMENT VEHICLE FUND

Semper Fi Paving- Street Resurfacing 2025 Reg. RCIP/City

Service Fee

The following was then read by title:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$623,994.92 WITH SEMPER FI PAVING OF BRIDGEPORT, OH FOR 2025 STREET RESURFACING TO BE CHARGED TO REGULAR RCIP AND CITY SERVICE FEE

Municipal Council Levy FY 2025-2026

The following was then read by title:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL LEVY ESTIMATE, PRESCRIBED BY THE WEST VIRGINIA STATE AUDITOR, KNOWN AS THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 BUDGET FOR WHEELING MUNICIPALITY, OHIO COUNTY.

Mr. Thorngate, seconded by Mr. Sklavounakis moved for a second reading of the ordinance. All in favor. Motion Carried.

The ordinance was read a second time by title. Mr. Thorngate, seconded by Mr. Sklavounakis moved that the ordinance be adopted.

The vote on the motion resulted as follows

AYES: Cain, Assaro, Palmer, Magruder, Sklavounakis, Seidler, Thorngate

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NOES:

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A majority of those elected to Council having voted in favor, the mayor thereupon declared the ordinance adopted.

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Resolution- Repairs Flood Damage- WPCD

The following was then read by title:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE WAIVING OF PROCUREMENT PROCEDURES FOR REPAIRS TO THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT FOR FLOOD RELATED DAMAGES OCCURING APRIL 2-6, 2024 AND APRIL 11-12, 2024 AND TO BE CHARGED TO WATER POLLUTION CONTROL DIVISION

Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Assaro moved to adopt the resolution. The vote on the motion resulted as follows

AYES: Cain, Assaro, Palmer, Magruder, Sklavounakis, Seidler, Thorngate -7

NOES: -0

A majority of those elected to Council having voted in favor, the mayor thereupon declared the resolution adopted.

THOSE WISHING TO BE HEARD

Lou Smith of Wheeling, WV thanked council and City Manager for their service to the city.

There being no further business to discuss Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Sklavounakis, moved to adjourn. Time: 6:25pm.