

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BECKLEY CONVENED AT 6:46 PM ON AUGUST 9, 2022, VIA WEB-X. (Due to the recent spread of COVID among City employees.)

THOSE PRESENT: Mayor Rappold, Recorder-Treasurer Billie Trump, City Attorney Bill File, and Secretary, Susan Miller. Council Members: Janine Bullock, Bob Canter, Cody Reedy, Tom Sopher, Robert Dunlap, Sherrie Hunter, and Kevin Price. The following Department Heads were present: IT Director Bill Kelly, Chief Bailey with BPD, and Director of BPW Jerry Stump.

The Mayor reminded the public that they will be able to make comments when invited to do so by either pressing *3 on their phone and their call will be taken in the order it is received, or if viewing by computer or tablet, raising your hand by right clicking your name and choosing "Raise Hand". The public is invited to join via WEB-X from their computer or by phone, using the weblink or phone number provided the day of the meeting on the City's webpage at Beckley.org, the City's Facebook page.

Council dispensed with the reading and approval of minutes from the regular Council meeting

dated July 26, 2022. Council unanimously approved the minutes as written on a motion by

Councilman Canter and seconded by Councilman Sopher. Copies had been distributed to each

member prior to the meeting.

Next, the City opened bids for milling and paving of Woodlawn Avenue (Springdale Ave. to Clark St.) and Holiday Dr. (Teel Rd. to Painter Dr.). The first bid was from Triple A Paving in the amount of \$139,950.00 The second bid was from Southern WV Paving in the amount of \$140,000.00.

Next, the City opened bids for milling & paving of Orchard Ave. (Marion St. to Dorcas Ave.) and Old Mill Rd. (Westwood Dr. to Whitestick St.). The first bid was

from Triple A Paving in the amount of \$177,125.00.

The second bid was from Southern WV Paving in the amount of \$174,475.00.00. These bids will be given to the two Council members at Large, Director of Board of Public Works Jerry Stump, and Recorder-Treasurer Billie Trump for possible award at a future meeting.

OLD BUSINESS: The Mayor said that he recently mentioned to Council the possibility of the City contributing towards the construction costs for the Beckley Area Foundation parking lot on South Kanawha Street. He said this will be an item on the agenda for the next Council meeting. WVU Tech & Beckley Events invite the community to attend an Orientation Celebration to welcome students at the WVU Tech Administration & Extension Building on Neville St. Tuesday, August 16, 2022, from 5:30 p.m.– 7:30 p.m. Lewis Nissan is hosting a “Thrills on Wheels” car show on Saturday, August 13, 2022. The Mayor said that Lewis Nissan is in the City limits and encouraged attendance.

NEW BUSINESS: Councilman Reedy addressed an email that he recently received, and he accepted the Mayor’s apology for its content.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Wendy Sullivan asked what the City can do regarding barking dogs that are left tied up in less than favorable conditions. She is concerned that these dogs are being mistreated. She said this has been an ongoing issue and she would like the City to address this matter. The Mayor stated this issue is not going unnoticed and he and other City officials met with

County officials earlier today regarding vicious dogs and this topic was mentioned. He said the City will continue working on this issue. Councilman Dunlap said that WV State Law Penal Code 61-18-19 addresses this. A motion made by Councilman Dunlap and seconded by Councilwoman Bullock was unanimously approved by Council to adjourn the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

Mayor
Recorder-Treasurer