

SEPTEMBER 4, 2025

The Clarksburg City Council met in REGULAR SESSION on Thursday, September 4, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. at the Clarksburg Municipal Building – Council Chambers, 222 West Main Street, Clarksburg, West Virginia, with Mayor Malfregeot presiding.

PRESENT:

Councilmember Ryan Deems
 Councilmember Martin Howe
 Councilmember Will Hyman
 Councilmember Marc Jackson
 Councilmember Wayne Worth
 Vice Mayor Jerry Riffle (*via telephone*)
 Mayor James Malfregeot

ALSO PRESENT:

Tiffany Fell, City Manager
 Richard Marsh, City Attorney
 Annette Wright, City Clerk

- 1) Roll Call
- 2) Prayer & Pledge – given by Councilmember Hyman
 (*deviating from the agenda*)

MOTION by Councilmember Howe, **SECONDED** by Councilmember Hyman to adjourn into executive session pursuant to Chapter 6, Article 9A, Section 4 of the West Virginia Code to discuss matters involving the purchase, sale or lease of property, advance construction planning, the investment of public funds or other matters involving competition which, if made public, might adversely affect the financial or other interests of the City and that the following persons be present: Mayor and Members of Council, City Manager, City Attorney, Dir. of Grants and Community Development and the City Clerk. **MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Concluding executive session, **MOTION** by Councilmember Howe, **SECONDED** by Councilmember Deems to reconvene into regular session. **MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- 3) **Motion** by Councilmember Deems, **Seconded** by Councilmember Worth for approval of the minutes of the regular session of Council held on August 21, 2025. **Motion Approved Unanimously.**
- 4) Petitions, Communications, and Public Hearings:
Shannon Welsh, 1403 Adams Avenue – appeared before Council to discuss her platform for the House of Delegates.
- 5) City Manager's Report:
 City Manager's Report
 September 4th, 2025
 Submitted by Tiffany Fell

<p>City Parks</p> <p>Veterans Memorial Park</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pool Closure & Events: The pool officially closed for the season on Saturday, August 16th, with a strong turnout. Waste Management held its Employee Appreciation Day at the park, utilizing the Amphitheater for concerts and food service, while also providing pool access.
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- United Way "Drool at the Pool":
On Sunday, August 17th, the United Way hosted its first annual *Drool at the Pool*. 175 dogs were registered, with families enjoying a unique experience at the pool. The event was a tremendous success, both in support of the United Way and as a showcase of creative community programming.
- River Walk:
The River Walk continued until the weekend of the 23rd. Opened during two sessions – morning and evening, the guests were very appreciative of the extra time for the exercise. Kept only that section of the pool open until the chlorine was emptied.
- Facility Updates:
 - Four new aluminum picnic tables were purchased; two have been assembled and placed at Heartland Park and between the pickleball court bleachers.
 - A new park sign has been ordered and is expected to be installed by fall. The upgraded sign will allow real-time updates (e.g., "Pool Closed," "\$5 Day," "Free Event Tonight") and will be larger and more visible.
- Pickleball:
USA Pickleball hosted a sanctioned event, which reached full registration for its first event. Travelers from out of the area participated and this event highlighted the new courts and provided excellent publicity for the parks system.

Clarksburg Amphitheater

- City Appreciation Night:
On Wednesday, August 20th, Queen City Funk will headline *Clarksburg Appreciation Night* as a mid-week free concert. Complimentary hot dogs and chips will be provided for attendees as a thank-you to the community.
- Rock for Veterans Concert – Saturday August 23rd – event fundraiser for the vets (promoter show and not a part of the parks music calendar)

Splash Zone & Mini Golf

- Mini Golf operations will continue through October, weather permitting. Upcoming activities include a fall tournament and a repeat of the successful *Night Glow Golf* event. Hours will be (weather permitting) Thursday and Friday from 5 PM to 10 PM, Saturday 12-Noon till 10 PM and Sunday 1PM to 5 PM. Once weather cools, we will close for the season.

Clarksburg City Park

- Field Use & Maintenance:
 - Pony League: Infield preparation was completed by David and Steve, ensuring a quality surface for play.
 - Salem: With the school year underway, teams have resumed field and indoor facility use.
 - Soccer: Activity is increasing as the season begins. Notre Dame High School will host fewer than six home games on the large field this year.
 - Transformers: Two units have failed. One will be replaced within two weeks, while the second requires up to six weeks for completion. This item will be reviewed under New Business.
- Indoor Facility:
Plans are underway to expand morning programming of exercise sessions and sports clinics. Additionally, the facility will be open for early morning indoor walking during colder months to support the community members who use the outdoor track in spring and summer.

Code Enforcement/Projects

- Paving Project
 - Preconstruction meeting with start date of 9/5/2025
- Sanitary Board
 - Board Meeting
 - Progress meetings concerning Main St and Pike St Project
- Sidewalks
 - Working on RFP for sidewalk project
- Meetings
 - Council
 - Internal Staff meetings
 - Progress meeting with Hope, CWB, and us for Pike and Main Projects
 - LRA Property reviews
 - Italian Heritage Festival
 - WVDOH Public Hearing
 - Planning and Zoning
 - Traffic Commission
 - Wolf Summit Energy
 - Community outreach meeting
- General Code
 - Building Permit – 72
 - Total Job Cost - \$1,009,053
 - Fees Collected - \$13,189
 - Notice of Violations – 612
 - Citations – 27
 - Condemnation Orders – 7
 - Work Orders – 100
 - Demolition Orders - 0
 - CAD Complaints – 0
 - Residential Inspections – 9
 - Commercial Inspections - 5
- Other
 - All Inspectors – Keeping Daily Logs / Reviewed Each Week.
 - All Vacant / Condemned Properties Checked Weekly.
 - Ongoing inspections of Hope Gas Training facility
 - 2 MS4 Inspections
 - Removed 32 illegal signs
 - 7 vehicles tagged
 - More NOVs In-Process.
 - Inspection of 2 new restaurants
 - Began rehab of 1 previously condemned structure
 - 1 Sidewalk Inspection

Finance Department**August Collections**

B&O Taxes \$1,853,740.85
 Hotel Tax \$29,319.05
 License Fees & Penalties \$3,440.58
 Police Citations - \$5,323.20
 Dog Tax from Assessor \$1,256.40
 Use & Occupancy Fees \$20.00
 Building Permit Fees \$14,539.00
 Annual Excavation Permits - \$40,000.00
 Miscellaneous Permit Fees \$0
 Compost Center Fees \$362.80
 Payment Agreements \$1,632.82
 Late Payment Penalty \$16.45
 Vacant Property Registration Fees \$0
 Grass/Weeds/Garbage Removal - \$800.00
 BOCA Fines - \$0
 Board Ups - \$0
 Electrical Inspection Fees - \$0

<p>Fire Service Fees - \$32,312.36 Fire Service Fee Lien Payments - \$3,493.13 Planning Commission Fees - \$0 Sale of Accident Reports - \$980.00 Demolition Revenue - \$723.85 Burn Permit Fees - \$0 Response & Rescue Billing - \$0 Fingerprinting - \$75 Animal Control Trap Fee - \$0 Donations -\$0</p> <p>1,876 Business Licenses have been issued for the FY 2025-2026, of which 94 are new businesses</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completed Annual Reports for Police Pension and Fire Pension for the Actuary <p>Staff is working on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Preparation of the Annual Financial Statement for FY 2024-2025 due by 9/30/2025 Preparation of the Annual PSC Report for FY 2024-2025 due by 9/30/2025
<p>Fire Department</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clarksburg Fire Department Responded to 288 Calls for the month of August. No structure fires occurred in the city of Clarksburg for the month, but we responded to Bridgeport for one Automatic aid call to Overlook Drive on August 28th. The Fire Marshal has completed 29 initial inspections, as well as 9 re-inspections throughout the city. Six firefighters attended a grant-funded class in Morgantown covering Rope Rescue, where they attained Awareness, Operations, and Technician levels of training. The Twenty-five new portable radios purchased with Congressional Spending Monies have all been programmed and placed into service, replacing the 20+ year old portables we were currently using. Three Firefighters; Brian Hall, Pat Sanjulian, and Michael Blake were recognized with a luncheon on August 15th for their 25 years of service.
<p>Grants & Community Development</p> <p><u>Support of Current Initiatives and Funding Opportunities</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accepted the Almost Heaven Swing notice and coordinated with Public Works for installation. Toured several buildings with university seeking relocation/ expansion. Managed requests for project quotes for relocation from five contractors. Met with three new developers interested in downtown buildings. Worked with team on TIF application update and pilot project. Completed feasibility study research and documentation for Waldo grant funding and TIF Pilot project. Researched and met with multiple companies regarding text alert system for the City. Continue to support Waldo re-development project. Supported grant funding requests for Browns Field and Remediation. Met with new logistics company in downtown and supplied them resources. Identified several properties for a business interested in expansion to downtown. Met with healthcare director regarding expansion into downtown. Highlighted businesses each week on our social media accounts. Met with developers interested in Union Building. Continued support of redevelopment consideration of WI, North View and Hite Field. Completed reporting and updates for CDS for Fire and Police.

- Notified that CDS 2026 request for Fire (Council Approved) approved by Committee.
- Met with US Dept of Veteran Health Services regarding speaking engagement for WICHE International Conference for Veteran Suicide Prevention in Denver Colorado.
- Continue to support LRA pursuits and projects.
- Supported review and update of TIF application funding and met with team regarding updates.
- Established an internship program with Salem University. Further discussions about partnership opportunities for growth of programs and support continue.
- Supported interview and hire of Outreach Liaison and Social Worker positions.
- Met with local business owner to discuss TIF District, funding opportunities, and other issues (i.e. parking, noise, incentives, business development for vacant space). Provided resources and will continue to support growth and development.
- Continued development of several projects to support revitalization of downtown and further community support initiatives.
- Identified property for redevelopment requests and social service program.
- Continued working to fund Christmas in the Parks with Parks Director. Meetings & Updates
 - Worked with Public Works for utility initiation for major project downtown.
 - Coordinated efforts between businesses and internship opportunities.
 - Redevelopment of the City website continues.
 - Continuing to identify needs lists from each department to provide ongoing support.
 - Met with federal liaison regarding ongoing initiatives in downtown.
 - Continued efforts on drafts of Community Engagement Plan, Beautification Plan, Social Services Plan, and Cultural and Arts Designations.
- Imminent
 - Updates for Council regarding awards and funding.
 - Continue working to identify funding and to support active projects.
 - Continue working with community to engage and support community initiatives.
 - Continue to support Department Directors in funding identification, requests, and management of funding projects.
 - **Continue to support the advancement of City of Clarksburg's growth and development.**

New Submissions

Identified two remediation grants and SHPO funding for redevelopment team. Assisted in drafting proposals for submission.

Current Active List

Assistance to Firefighters (Competitive)- SCBAs- First draw received. Desktop audit complete and passed.

DOJ Cops (Competitive)- Ebike- Closed grant.

DOJ Cops (Competitive)- Staffing- reports filed – unable to spend due to staffing.

Splashpad Grant (Competitive)- All documentation has been forwarded to Governor's office and notice to proceed anticipated in October (25).

Followed up with contact and again advised notice anticipated in October. USDA (Competitive)- Tubgrinder delivered, draw and progress report submitted, Outreach partnerships established and will complete outreach in the spring (weather). Reached out to WVU and awaiting scheduling for outreach.

DLAP Demo (Competitive) - demolition and reports in good standing.- Jason Lane coordinating demos and documentation. Awaiting next award notification.

WVDOT- Glen Elk Sidewalk (Competitive) - Received approval to reallocate funding to the Rail Trail Grant.

Motocross Bicycle Grant- (Competitive) Project site relocation recommended by CO. Awaiting response and approval for next steps. Reached out to HCBOE to discuss relocation.

Rail Trail- Jason Lane- In progress

Demolition Grant Round II (Competitive) - Submitted- notice anticipated 5/2025

WV BRICS -Code Training (Competitive)- Received notification for resubmission request. Grant submitted by prior personnel does not align with project narrative. (*"Request deemed grossly disproportionate with narrative and professional standards."*) Addressed narrative and budget for grant submission to be cohesive with requirements. Preliminary award of 84,600 as approved by council. Submitted budget narrative and justification to FEMA. Awaiting next steps.

Cybersecurity Grant-(Competitive) Awaiting final approval for notice to proceed on Change of Scope- Extension and modification approved.

Cybersecurity Round II (Competitive)- Submitted- notice anticipated 12/2025

HCEDA Phase I- Received. Environmental testing initiated 2/11. Environmental testing completed 2/28). Phase II – Completed. Testing completed. Reports provided.

WV First- Community Outreach (Competitive)- Up to date reporting. Candidate offered position after interviews were conducted.

WV Hazmat Slippage- Draw submitted- closed by Finance

CDS Awards from 2024

CDS HUD FD- Completed Action Plan. Received Council sole source approval. Received Notice to Proceed. Requested reallocation of funds. Awaiting approval.

CDS HUD Sidewalks- Working with CO for Acceptance and Action Plan approval.

CDS Cops – Funding received. Initiated request to utilize remaining funds. Quarterly reports completed.

CDS List for 2026 Requests

250k for **Fire Department** Equipment, gear, training, and wellness program- Approved through Committee

Foundation and Grant Request Efforts

Memorial Statues

Code Training and Equipment

Arts and Cultural District

Beautification Efforts

Historic Building Restoration and Revitalization

Healthy Community Initiatives

Resource Hub

Community Development Initiatives and Projects

Fire- Training and Equipment

Police- Training and Equipment

RG- Programming

Parks- Upgrades/Programming

City- HVAC Upgrades

PW- Vehicles, Parking garage and Equipment

Current Initiatives and Directive Updates

- Worked with federal contractors to gain compliance with FAR and City registration.
- Fielded multitude of calls regarding B&O request while supporting Finance Dept on collections.
- Supported utilities and environmental team for major development downtown.
- Met with contractors regarding major remediation efforts.

- Continue to work with Hope Gas and Water Board regarding ongoing upgrades.
- Supported local developer regarding historic redevelopment project.
- Coordinated efforts between multiple teams and Community Development and Communications to ensure compliance with city requirements.
- Met with AP Development team and supported needs and logistics to ensure environmental remediation was facilitated quickly by the City.
- Toured historic project with prospective developer of large building downtown.
- Continue to support redevelopment project for downtown project with structural engineer, utilities POCs, and public works to ensure smooth project.
- Continued to work with Community Development to support major historic redevelopment project and funding pursuit with state funding agencies and authority council.
- Met with community, state, and federal POCs regarding funding and redevelopment project support.
- Continued to support business registration updates and notices.
- Continued work with team redeveloped website.
- Met with several business owners downtown to address trespassing and project issues that have impacted businesses downtown.
- Working with developers regarding TIF district expansion and utilization.
- Supported Finance, Fire, and Community Development with CDS Action Plan update for Fire Department.
- Initiated quarter 3 of federal contractor B&O billing.

Imminent

- Continue to support the redevelopment of downtown.
- Continue working to identify and reconcile business registrations while supporting new business recruitment.
- Continue working with departments (i.e. Code, Community Development, Finance. etc.) to support redevelopment and revitalization initiatives.
- Continue to support the advancement of City of Clarksburg's growth and development.

Police Department

- The Clarksburg Police Dept. has responded to 2,051 calls for service in the month of August.
- Officer's Gunner Allison and Hunter Young have started their second week of the WV State Police Academy.
- Written testing is continuing this month for a new eligibility list for the police department.
- The Black Heritage Festival will be held this weekend in downtown. Motorist are reminded to be aware of traffic detours.

Public Works Department

Street Division

- Supported Italian Heritage Festival (setup, cleanup, patching parade route, banners, pasta cook-off).
- Hiring: interviewed and hired a new Public Works employee.
- Cleanups: homeless encampment on Locust Ave; NV Fire parking lot before paving.
- Street & Sidewalk Repairs:
 - Patched dips/cracks on Main St.
 - Guardrail trimming on Emily Drive.
 - Pothole patching ongoing (weather dependent).
 - Tree removals (Life Science Center boulevards, Dublin Bridge creek).

- Maintenance:
 - Street sweeping daily; full Emily Drive sweep on Aug. 26.
 - Curblines cut in Adamston, East End, and Downtown areas.
 - Grass-cutting rotations on going.
 - Flowerpots/planters watered daily.
- Waste & Compost:
 - 41,710 lbs. yard waste collected.
 - 88,120 lbs. wood waste processed.
 - 16,000 lbs. compost sold.
 - Tub grinder operated 3 times.
 - Drainage trough cleaned on Temple Terrace.
 - Secured 7 vacant properties.
 - 0 gallons of leachate were released.

Building Maintenance

Repaired Jackson Square bathroom AC blower motor.

- Completed annual City Hall & Parking Garage elevator inspection.
- Finished laminate flooring at NV Fire.
- Installed new shower and tankless heater at NV Fire.

Traffic Division

- Lighting & Signals:
 - Replaced 5,000+ bulbs in Jackson Square.
 - Fixed 2 traffic light issues and one cut line.
 - Adjusted timing at Rt. 98/RCB.
 - Reported 13 streetlight outages.
- Signage:
 - Installed new Stop signs (Locust Ave, Wood St, Stanley Ave).
 - Installed 12 Health Access parking signs, 2 handicap signs, 3 "No Dumping," 15 general signs, "Yield" at Rt. 98 & Chestnut.
 - Repaired 13 damaged Stop signs.
 - Managed event and festival signage (Military banners down, Italian banners up).
- Other Work:
 - Renewed 4,125 feet of yellow paint in multiple neighborhoods.
 - Inspected/repaired EB Saunders walking bridge.
 - Assisted with events at Jackson Square (3 private events, Italian Fest, Pasta Cook-off).
 - Grass cutting at downtown, parking garage, Jackson Square.
 - Removed 67 signs from utility poles.
 - Answered 17 after-hours pages.
 - Managed 1,546+ phone calls.

Robinson Grand Performing Arts

9/12. Vicki Lawrence & Mama. A two woman show.
 9/19. An evening with Mark Bowe.
 9/20. Clarksburg Winterfest Pageants
 9/22. WV economic development conference reception
 9/23. Private anniversary party.
 9/25. An intimate evening with Celtic Thunder
 9/26. The Piano Men: A Tribute to Elton John & Billy Joel
 9/27. Miss Amazing WV Pageant
 9/30. WYK/Chamber of Commerce Octoberfest after hours.
 More info and tickets at therobinsongrand.com

Sewer/Sanitary Department

- Snyder Environmental is lining the sewer line that runs down the hill behind 15th Street in Northview. They are lining a sewer line that runs from Milford Street to Magnolia.
- We are in talks with Snyder Environmental to find the best way to repair storm water line that runs through Magnolia Ave through a property.
- We have located laterals to houses on Main Street for the Contractor.
- We are cleaning and running the camera in 2 manholes that the gas company found on Main Street.
- Raised Manhole at 3rd & Main St.
- Replaced Catch Basin at 114 Winding Way.
- Cleaned line at WF 75+76.
- CSO016 pulled tide flex off and cleaned inside CSO.
- Repaired Lateral on Jackson Ave.
- Cleaned and opened catch basins at Duncan & Collins.
- Raised Manhole on 14th St in Northview.
- Replaced catch basin on E.B Saunders Way.
- Used Vac truck to clean out manhole on Magnolia Ave.
- Repaired Lateral in rear of 225 N Ohio Ave.
- Replaced 20ft of Main and lateral on Magnolia Ave.
- Repaired Main Line and sinkhole on John St.
- Cleaned all Lift Stations.
- Raised catch basins behind 2217 Goff Ave.
- Raised 5 catch basins on Cimmaron Rd.
- Raised catch basin on Parkway Drive.
- Replaced lateral behind 2325 WV Ave.
- Replaced Manhole lid & Ring on Green Street.
- Installed Storm Pipe at CSO012.
- Hauled dirt to Posey's
- Removed roots at CSO062.
- Cut grass in Sewer Right Aways
- Replaced Catch Basin on Elm St./Despard.
- Wastewater Treatment Plant
- Continuing work on Tank Inspections.
- Working with Thrasher to put together a bid package for a new belt press. The belt press is scheduled to be purchased in LTCP-B. We are wanting to order now because of 6-8month wait time to get in.
- Ordered new meter for Chlorine Scale that went bad.
- Sanitary Board Updates
- LTCP-A- Contractor is working their way up Main Street. There is another Crew working their way up Pike Street. 3rd Crew is rehabbing manholes.
- LTCP-B- Is still in design phase. It should be completed in the coming weeks.
- Steptoe and Johnson are still in talks with WV DEP about getting language removed from our NPDES Permit.
- Design is still taking place for the Arlington/Glen Falls section of the Army Corp project to provide sewer.
- Working with the County to figure out a fix for the sewage issues they are having in the new Annex Building.
- The purchase of Summit Park PSD was passed through the County Commission. It has been sent to the WV PSC for approval.
- Ordered Small Mack Dump Truck for the Sewer Department. Ordered the new 20ton Dump Truck for the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Small Dump Truck is expected to be here Oct.1st. 20ton Dump Truck is in line to have bed built and will be couple of months out.
- Hired a New Sewer Department Employee. Will begin September 16th.

- The new ARCGIS mapping through Thrasher is almost ready for us to be able to use. It will show Sewer, Stormwater, and Water lines throughout the City. Thrasher will continue to update as we work on different Phases of the LTCP.

Larry and I continue to be in talks everyday with contractors working currently throughout the City.

Remind the Public to please not flush baby wipes or flushable wipes down the drains. They do not dissolve and can cause blockages in the Sewer line as well as damage to Pumps.

6) Unfinished Business: None.

7) New Business:

- a) **Consideration of First Reading of an Ordinance Transferring a Portion of Buckhannon Avenue; Spring Avenue; and an Unopened 12' Alleway to 75 Development LLC**

Motion By: Councilmember Jackson
Seconded By: Councilmember Deems

For approval of the above-captioned ordinance on first reading.
Motion Carried 4-3.

	FOR	AGAINST
Councilmember Deems	√	
Councilmember Howe		√
Councilmember Hyman		√
Councilmember Jackson	√	
Councilmember Worth		√
Vice Mayor Riffle	√	
Mayor Malfregeot	√	

- b) **Consideration of a Resolution of the City of Clarksburg, West Virginia, on Behalf of the Robinson Grand Performing Arts Center, to Authorize the Acceptance of an Award of the FY 2026 Preservation West Virginia Grant in the Amount of \$50,000 from the WV Department of Tourism**

Motion By: Councilmember Worth
Seconded By: Councilmember Hyman

For adoption of the above-captioned resolution. **Motion Approved Unanimously.**

- c) **Consideration of a Resolution Honoring Leonard Gene Papa Sr. and Honorarily Naming Wholesale Street to Gene Pay Way**

Motion By: Councilmember Howe
Seconded By: Councilmember Deems

For adoption of the above-captioned resolution. **Motion Approved Unanimously.**

- d) **Consideration of adoption of a Reimbursement Resolution which would permit the reimbursement of expenditures made by either the City of Clarksburg or by AP Development LLC, AP Waldo LLC and/or Legacy Communities, Inc. associated with the redevelopment of the**

property formerly known as the Waldo Hotel from the proceeds of Tax Increment Revenue obligations to be issued by the City in the maximum principal amount not to exceed \$7,000,000

Motion By: Councilmember Hyman
Seconded By: Councilmember Jackson

Motion Approved Unanimously.

- e) **Consideration of a Resolution of the City of Clarksburg, West Virginia, to Enter into an Economic Development Agreement Regarding the Goff Building**

Motion By: Councilmember Deems
Seconded By: Councilmember Jackson

For adoption of the above-captioned resolution. **Motion Approved Unanimously.**

- f) **Consideration of the purchase and placement of a sign at the EastPointe/NewPointe Shopping Center in recognition of James D. LaRosa**

Motion By: Councilmember Worth
Seconded By: Councilmember Howe

For approval of the purchase and placement of a sign at the EastPointe/NewPointe Shopping Center in recognition of James D. LaRosa. Mayor Malfregeot remarked that this recognition is long overdue. With regard to the cost of said sign, City Manager Fell informed that such expenses can be taken from the beautification budget. **Motion Approved Unanimously.**

Motion Approved Unanimously.

- g) **Consideration of two (2) appointments to the Planning & Zoning Commission**

Motion By: Councilmember Hyman
Seconded By: Councilmember Worth

To appoint Josh Brown and Mike Fazzini to the Planning & Zoning Commission. **Motion Approved Unanimously.**

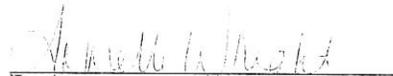
- 8) **Council Comments:**

Councilmember Hyman commented on the agreement regarding the Goff Building stating that the staff did a great job; however, he did not like the way the agreement became about. Councilmember Deems recognized the firefighters in attendance and inquired as the North View sign with City Manager Fell informing that the sign has been ordered and should be ready soon. Councilmember Deems referenced previous comments concerning strategic planning, neighborhood beautification, etc. that was to come to Council this past February or March and requested an update thereon with City Manager Fell apprising that the Administration is finishing up on the drafts. Councilmember Howe congratulated Gene Papa on his recognition and expressed his appreciation to Council for the ability to work together, as well as allowing one another to voice their concerns and

differing opinions. Councilmember How thanked the Fire Department for attending the meeting. Councilmember Worth noted the successful WVIHF and also noted the upcoming WV Black Heritage Festival. Noting the proposed new TIF, Councilmember Worth requested that when opportunities become available for such funds, that we make sure such information is made available to all noting that many have invested in our city. Mayor Malfregeot reminded all that if they see something to say something.

There being no further business to come before Council, **Motion** by Councilmember Hyman, **Seconded** by Councilmember Worth and **Approved Unanimously** for adjournment.


James L. Malfregeot, Mayor


Annette Wright, City Clerk

APPROVED: September 18, 2025