

City Council Meeting Minutes March 4, 2024

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Roll call indicated a quorum was present.

Larry Johnson made a motion to accept the February minutes, Mark Hardin seconded and all voted in favor.

Chamber of Commerce Report

Chamber President Ashton Pruitt gave the report for the Chamber of Commerce. Tickets for the annual Chamber Banquet sold out in record time. The Chamber announced the award winners for Citizen of the Year – Meredith Post, and Volunteer of the Year – Christy Corker. In the weeks leading up to the banquet, they will be showcasing the business award nominees. To prepare for the banquet, they have been selling ads, writing content, and photographing award winners. The 2024 directory will be distributed at the Chamber banquet on March 28. They are also continuing to plan for the Eclipse on April 8 and the events surrounding it. They are having one final information meeting for the Eclipse on March 5 at 6:30 at City Hall.

Street Dedication – Tressie's Subdivision

City Attorney Dustin Chapman stated that a minor subdivision, Tressie's Subdivision, was approved by the Planning Commission in the February meeting. With the request for minor subdivision was a request to dedicate part of the street which the subdivision lies on. Kelly Knowland made a motion to approve the street dedication. Matt Reynolds seconded and all voted in favor.

Proclamation – National Vietnam War Veterans Day

City Attorney Dustin Chapman read a proclamation from Mayor Hartwick proclaiming March 29, 2024 as "Vietnam War Veterans Day".

Parks & Recreation Report – Mike Yoder

Parks & Recreation Director Mike Yoder presented his annual report. There were many site improvements to fields and courts across the city, including the softball fields, wireless internet improvements to the baseball fields, and rebuilding from some wind damages sustained. Mr. Yoder expressed the desire to expand the softball fields, and add lighting to some of the baseball fields across the City. With increased participation, there is a need for more usable space in both areas.

Resolution #2024-01 - CAO with ADEQ

In the filing of the construction permits for improvements to the wastewater plant, it was discovered by ADEQ that there was a violation in 2018 which was not addressed by ADEQ. All issues regarding the 2018 violation have already been addressed by the City of Greenbrier, and will continue to be improved upon by planned improvements to the plant. ADEQ issued a CAO requesting a resolution and fine to address the violations. A motion to approve Resolution #2024-01 was made by Mark Hardin, seconded by Larry Johnson, and passed unanimously.

Matt Reynolds

On March 4, 2024, Councilman Matt Reynolds sent a letter giving notice of his resignation from the City Council. He has moved outside of the City limits and is no longer eligible to serve in the capacity of a councilman. A motion to accept the resignation of Councilman Matt Reynolds was made by Richard Weaver, seconded by Mark Hardin, and passed unanimously. Mayor Hartwick then presented an award to Mr. Reynolds in appreciation of his service to the City of Greenbrier.

Mayor Hartwick opened discussion about the pump station on the east side of town. Currently the state health department will not approve further development on anything connecting to the east side pump station. Improvements to the pump station are addressed as a part of the masterplan developed by Garver. The biggest hurdles in making improvements would be property acquisitions and easements for new pipelines connecting to the pump station. Proposed improvements to the pump station in the masterplan would be able to service an estimated 15,000 people on the east side of the City.

There was further discussion surrounding the plans for the improvements to the pump station and wastewater plant, including architecture of the plant, cost, and estimated timeline.

After the discussion about the pump station concluded, a representative from Salter Construction, and developer Zach Dixon, requested the appeal of the Special Use Permit from the February meeting be discussed once again. The appeal was tabled

at the February meeting. Salter has received feedback from ARDOT regarding the driveway access to Highway 65, but they have not received a permit from the Highway Department. There was discussion about the communication given from ARDOT, the permitting process from ARDOT, the procedures around bringing tabled business back to the table, and other concerns from the February meeting. The developers stated there would be anywhere from 87 to 110 total doors in the completed development.

After discussion, a motion was made by Richard Weaver to approve the Special Use Permit for the property contingent on receiving a permit from ARDOT for the driveway access. Mark Hardin seconded. This would approve Ordinance #2024-04, presented and read by title only in the February meeting after the rules were suspended.

A roll call vote was requested. The results of the roll call were as follows:

Kelly Knowland – No Mark Hardin – Yes Ty Kelso – Present Larry Johnson – Yes Richard Weaver – Yes Mayor Sammy Hartwick – Yes

The motion to approve the Special Use Permit contingent on receiving a permit from ARDOT for the driveway access carried. This approved Ordinance #2024-04.

A motion to approve the emergency clause was made by Mark Hardin, seconded by Larry Johnson, and passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Kelly Knowland to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mark Hardin and all voted in favor.

Sammy Hartwick, Mayor	Hunter Thrasher, City Clerk/Treasurer