

**JOURNAL OF THE COUNCIL  
CITY OF SOUTH CHARLESTON**

The council met in its chambers in City Hall on May 7, 2009 at 7:30 p.m., EDT for the first meeting and was called to order by Mayor Mullens.

Margie Spence, City Clerk, called the roll and the following members were present:

Ben Paul	Kent Rymer
Sonny Holstine	Dayton Griffith
Jeff Means	Linda Anderson
	Mayor Mullens

Absent was: Paul Neal and Jef Stevens.

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**PRAYER**

Offered by Dayton Griffith.

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**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Led by Margie Spence.

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**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE**

Margie Spence, City Clerk  
 Danny Smith, Recreation Director  
 James Wood, Fire Chief  
 Brad Rinehart, Police Chief  
 Steve DeBarr, Sanitary Board Manager/Engineer  
 Gerald Burgy, Public Works Director  
 Mark Clark, City Attorney  
 Hanna Pettit, City Treasurer

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**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

Mr. Means moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of April 16, 2009; seconded by Mr. Paul and passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Mr. Means moved to approve the minutes of the Special Council meeting of April 21, 2009; seconded by Mr. Paul and passed by a unanimous voice vote.

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**FINANCIAL REPORT**

It was moved by Mr. Means; seconded by Mr. Paul to approve the financial report. This passed by a unanimous voice vote.

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**PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC HEARINGS****APPOINTMENT OF COUNCILMAN KENT RYMER TO VISUAL ARTS COMMISSION (MAYOR)**

It was moved by Mr. Griffith; seconded by Mr. Paul to approve the appointment. This passed by a unanimous voice vote.

**RESOLUTION GENERAL FUND #2009-01-01 (MAYOR)**

It was moved by Mr. Means; seconded by Mr. Paul to approve the resolution. This passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

**RESOLUTION COAL SEVERANCE #2009-02-01 (MAYOR)**

It was moved by Mr. Means; seconded by Mr. Paul to approve the resolution. This passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

**RECOGNIZE REPRESENTATIVE OF WEST VIRGINIA AMERICAN WATER COMPANY (MAYOR)**

Sammy Gray, spokesperson for WVAWC was recognized and spoke to council with regard to typical practices of the water company and servicing all customers.

**UPDATE ON CITY'S DESIGNATION (MAYOR)**

Mayor Mullens reported he is still looking into the problem of the city's designation. He has spoken to Capito's office, and Deloris Cummings of the postal service. Mayor Mullens stated he is still investigating and will report back at a later date with more information.

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**CONSIDERATION OF BIDS**

None.

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**REPORT OF RECREATION COMMITTEE** – No written report but Mr. Holstine announced at the last meeting the topic of discussion was a possible skateboard park at Joplin Park. The next meeting will be May 20. Danny Smith, Recreation Director reported the North/South Basketball game will be held at South Charleston Community Center on June 19.

**REPORT OF FIRE CHIEF** – No written report.

**REPORT OF POLICE CHIEF** – No written report.

**REPORT OF SANITARY BOARD MANAGER/ENGINEER** – No written report.

**REPORT OF CITY MANAGER** – No written report.

**REPORT OF PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR** – No written report but Mr. Burgy reported the Spring Clean Up was a success with the city taking in 66 tons of trash.

**REPORT OF CITY ATTORNEY** – No written report.

**REPORT OF CITY TREASURER** – No written report.

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### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Dayton Griffith, Council President, announced the following changes in Standing Committees: Linda Anderson will serve on the Property Board and the Library Board, Jef Stevens will now serve as Chair of the Library Board and Ben Paul will be removed from the Library Board and replaced on the Convention and Visitors Bureau Board.

Mr. Means announced progress is ongoing for a Sportswriters' Hall of Fame. The proposed site will be next to the South Charleston Memorial Ice Arena.

Mayor Mullens announced a ribbon cutting ceremony for Celebration Day in South Charleston on May 16 at 1:15 p.m. following the Armed Forces Day parade.

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### **CONSIDERATION OF OLD BUSINESS**

None.

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### **CONSIDERATION OF NEW BUSINESS**

None.

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**MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**

Mr. Paul suggested the city work with the Division of Highways on the feasibility of a left-hand turn traffic signal at the Kanawha Turnpike and Montrose Drive intersection due to the congestion that will be caused by the overpass closure.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Means moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Mr. Paul and passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Mayor Mullens adjourned the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

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**APPROVAL**

Approved this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2009.

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Frank A. Mullens, Jr. Mayor

ATTEST:

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Margie Spence, City Clerk

