

**CITY OF PETERSBURG  
REGULAR MEETING  
August 9, 2021**

Mayor Michael called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

**Roll Call**

**Mayor:** Gary A. Michael

**Recorder:** Sarah J. Moomau

**Council:** Bruce Hyre, Jr. Robert Spanswick, Jeremy Riggelman and Mike Feaster

Councilman Hyre made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 6, 2021. Councilman Riggelman seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**PERSONS REQUESTING TO SPEAK WITH COUNCIL**

Robert McCalley appeared before council to be renewed as the Petersburg representative for the Mon Forest Town Partnership Initiative.

Councilman Riggelman made a motion to renew the tenure of Robert McCalley as the Petersburg representative for the Mon Forest Town Partnership Initiative. Councilman Feaster seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Robert McCalley reported on the progress of the Mon Forest Town Partnership Initiative. He reported the Mon Forest Town Partnership is hoping to hire a grant seeker. He reported on the completion of the application of the WV Department of Highways Recreational Trail Program grant for the Petersburg River Park Hike and Bike Trail. The grant application is to develop three miles of asphalt paved trails on the top surface of the Petersburg levee system. The trail project will connect 60% of the community with a seven-foot-wide paved hike and bike trail. Mr. McCalley continued to report the US Army Corps of Engineers 408 certification permit has been submitted. He also reported the Petersburg Lions Club has written a letter to the Grant County Commission to adopt the trail and assume the responsibility of patrolling the trail and trash pickup as needed. Mr. McCalley also reported on the annual meeting of the Mon Forest Town Partnership and the confirmation of the strength and success of the recreational economies being built within our town's partnership.

**COMMISSIONERS REPORTS**

**Building Permits, Planning and Zoning:** no report

**Cemetery, Refuse and Streets:** no report

**Police:** Councilman Riggelman submitted the following report:

**PETERSBURG POLICE DEPARTMENT  
ACTIVITY REPORT FOR JULY 2021**

COMPLAINTS HANDLED/RECEIVED.....	120
VERBAL WARNINGS FOR TRAFFIC.....	29
WRITTEN WARNINGS FOR TRAFFIC.....	18
CITATIONS ISSUED.....	3
SHOPLIFTING.....	
DRIVING SUSPENDED (MISC).....	1
EXPIRED MVI.....	
IMPROPER REGISTRATION.....	
NO PROOF OF INSURANCE.....	
PROHIBITED TOBACCO USE/VAPING.....	
SPEEDING W/RADAR.....	
POSSESSION OF CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE.....	2
TRESPASSING.....	
PARKING CITATIONS.....	
TOTAL WARRANTS OBTAINED.....	

MISDEMEANOR WARRANTS.....	2
FELONY WARRANTS.....	
TOTAL ARRESTS.....	2
MISDEMEANOR ARRESTS.....	2
FELONY ARRESTS.....	
ACCIDENTS INVESTIGATED.....	1
CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS OPENED.....	1
ALARMS.....	2

**DARIUS STARK  
CHIEF OF POLICE  
PETERSBURG POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Councilman Riggleman also stated there are 17 properties that have been noted with compliance violations. He reported they have sent 10 letters, issued 2 citations and 2 that have been corrected.

**Taxation and Finance:** Councilman Hyre reported information he has gathered regarding the best investment opportunity for the cemetery fund.

**Water, Recreation and Pool:** Councilman Spanswick reported the water and maintenance department have been repairing several leaks, the largest were at the Point and one on 220 South and Grove Street bypass intersection. The area of the Volunteer Fire Department and Walgreens should see a slight increase in their water pressure. He thanked Mark Geary for his help and locating all the pipes, shooting elevations so we now know where everything should be. The water department is waiting for a third bid on the clarifier removal, Councilman Spanswick thought he would have that in two weeks. He reported there will be a scheduled water shut down in September from the Post Office westward, they will install a fire hydrant, water supply and new meters installed. Councilman Riggleman reported the pool inspection by Cullen resulted in several write ups including benches that need attention, lifeguard stand bases are cracked and other minor repairs.

**Sanitary Board:** no report

**NEW BUSINESS**

Councilman Riggleman made a motion to accept Troy Thomason’s resignation as a Petersburg Zoning Board member. Councilman Spanswick seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Michael reported the two City Office employees, Roxanne Nelson and Lisa Kimble attended a training seminar the previous week. The seminar was provided by the WV Municipal League and they were able to attend multiple training sessions, bringing back very useful information for the city at all levels.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Councilman Riggleman made a motion to enter Executive Session to discuss personnel matters. Councilman Spanswick seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Hyre made a motion to re-enter the Regular Meeting. Councilman Spanswick seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Riggleman made a motion to adjust the pay of certain City of Petersburg employees. Councilman Hyre seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Councilman Feaster made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Spanswick seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

