

**MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
February 14, 2012**

The regular monthly meeting of the Winfield Town Council was called to order on February 14, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Randy Barrett, at Winfield Town Hall, 1 Main Street, Winfield, WV.

ATTENDANCE

Members Attending: Randy Barrett, Mayor; Joe Rumbaugh, Charles Keefer, Charles Eshenaur, and Dana Campbell, members; Jackie Hunter, Recorder.

Absent: Nathan Fewell

Staff Present: Gloria Chapman and Johnny Hodges, Staff; Laura Cox, Planning Director; Tim LaFon, City Counsel and Joe Marino, Police Department.

Public: Bob Harvey of the Winfield Municipal Building Commission; Kevin Watson, Winfield Fire Department Chief. Chief Watson explained the campaign to increase Putnam County Fire Fee and noted that 4,000 signatures were needed to present to the County Commission for the increase. He asked if any of the Council members or public present would like to sign in favor of the increase. Also present was Mr. Rick Parsons, who introduced himself as candidate for Putnam County Sheriff. Mr. Harry Machado of Woodland Forest was present to express concern regarding the dismissal of the Police Chief.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes of the January 10, 2012 meeting were moved to be approved by Charles Keefer. Dana Cambell made a second. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC HEARING: New 2011 – 2031 WINFIELD COMPREHENSIVE PLAN
PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 8A OF THE WV CODE**

Dana Campbell moved to open the Public Hearing on the Comprehensive Plan at 7:15 P.M. Charles Keefer made a second. Motion carried.

With no comments from the public and no written correspondence, Joe Rumbaugh moved to accept the 2011-2031 Comprehensive Plan Pursuant to Chapter 8A of the WV Code as presented. Charles Eshenaur made a second. Motion carried.

Dana Campbell moved to close the Public Hearing at 7:20 P.M. Charles Keefer made a second. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL

Bills Paid. The bills paid for the month of January 2012 were approved on a motion made by Charles Eshenaur. Charles Keefer made a second. Motion carried.

General Fund Financial Statements. The financial statement for the month of January 2012 was approved upon a motion made by Dana Campbell. Charles Keefer made a second. Motion carried.

Coal Severance Fund Financial Statement. The Coal Severance financial statement for the month of January 2012 was moved to be accepted by Charles Keefer. Joe Rumbaugh made a second. Motion carried.

REPORTS, QUESTIONS & DISCUSSIONS

Police and Municipal Court Activity.

Officer Marino reported that City Police Officers logged 2,479 miles in January. He noted that there were 27 citations, 87 traffic stops, 1 arrest and 1 over dose during the month.

Councilman Keefer noted that he would like to see police cars out in the open and not behind obstacles where they could not be seen.

Sewer System Report:

Johnny Hodges reported that the inflow and infiltration leaks that were discovered as a result of the camera testing of the lines were currently being repaired by the city and C.J. Hughes.

Storm Sewer Report:

The Mayor reported that we were still working with the WV Division of Highways to obtain right-of-ways to complete the project in the Winfield Cemetery. The Mayor also gave Tim Lafon the authority to investigate further into the possibility

Storm Sewer Report (Cont'd.).

of getting extra storm water funding from those residents living outside city limits, but benefiting from storm water improvements.

Comprehensive Plan: Accepted in Public Hearing above.

OLD BUSINESS

Third Reading and Adoption of Ordinance 2011-2012-8 to impose liens on property for violation of City Ordinance. Joe Rumbaugh moved to hold the third reading and to adopt Ordinance 2011-2012-8 to impose liens on property for violation of City Ordinance. Charles Keefer made a second. Motion carried.

Cemetery Storm Water problem. Covered in Storm Water Project above.

Third Reading and Adoption of Ordinance 2011-2012-6 Amend Ordinance 1309.02 Street Specifications. Dana Campbell moved to hold the third reading and to adopt Ordinance 2011-2012-6 to Amend Ordinance 1309.02 Street Specification. Charles Keefer made a second. Motion carried.

Explore the possible purchase of 3432 Winfield road property. Mayor Barrett reported that the property was no longer available.

Annexation request – Drew Garnes, 3639 Winfield Road. Attorney Tim Lafon reported that minor boundary adjustments have been made, but approval of the County Planning Commission is still pending and not expected until March.

Annexation request – H.E. Lewis apartments. Covered under annexation request above

NEW BUSINESS

Appointment to Building Commission. Upon recommendation of the Mayor, Dana Campbell moved to accept Steve Hanna to the Municipal Building Commission for a 2-year term beginning January 2012. Joe Rumbaugh made a second. Motion carried.

Mowing Bids. Mayor Barrett reported that the ad for mowing bids had been placed and ran on January 16th with a deadline to submit their bids in to City Hall by 3:00 p.m. on March 12, 2012.

Set Date for Budget Work Session. It was agreed to hold the budget work session for 2012-2013 on March 20, 2012 at the City Hall.

GOOD OF THE ORDER. Nothing reported.

ADJOURNMENT

Charles Eshenaur moved that the meeting be adjourned at 7:40 p.m. until the next regularly scheduled meeting. Motion carried.

Randy L Barrett, Mayor

Jackie Hunter, Recorder