

**MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**August 14, 2012**  
**7:00 p.m.**

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

**ATTENDANCE**

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

**Staff Present:** Gloria Chapman; Johnny Hodges, Staff; Tim LaFon, City Counsel; and Police Chief, John Perrine.

**Public:** Jim Winter of the Winfield Municipal Building Commission.

**Approval of Minutes:** The Minutes of the July 10, 2012 meeting were moved to be approved by Dana Campbell and Charles Keefer made a second. Motion carried. The Minutes of the July 24 Special Meeting were moved to be approved Charles Keefer and Joe Rumbaugh made a second. Motion carried.

**FINANCIAL**

**Bills Paid.** The bills paid for the month of July 2012 in the amount of \$34,134.87 were approved on a motion made by Dana Campbell. Charles Keefer made a second. Motion carried.

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

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

## **REPORTS, QUESTIONS & DISCUSSIONS**

### **Police and Municipal Court Activity.**

Chief Perrine demonstrated the new police uniform which is made of material that will be cooler for the Officers during the summer and when they wear their bullet proof vests and the shirts are Winfield school color green.

The Chief stated that the Winfield Police Department was dispatched to 142 police calls for the month of July. He also stated that significant incidents that were investigated in July included a domestic battery case arrest; driving revoked on DUI, and investigation of a grand larceny report.

Chief Perrine informed Council that the Department had been awarded \$3,100 for reimbursable funding under the Governor's Highway Safety Program. We will be participating with state, county and local police departments to conduct a variety of special enforcement initiatives to keep the roadways safe. These programs will coincide with the Governor's Highway Safety Program that runs from July 15 to September 22, 2012 and involves the National DUI Blitz, Stop Sign Enforcement and School Bus Safety Programs.

### **Wastewater System/Treatment Plant Report:**

Johnny Hodges reported that the last few ammonia-testing levels have been satisfactory. Mayor Barrett stated that discussion has been ongoing concerning problems with the sanitary system. He noted that the city workers on a trial basis are implementing some information we have gathered from various sources.

### **Storm water Project.**

The Mayor reported that the final items on the punch list have been completed in Riverdale, Westland, the Mattress Warehouse area and Woodland Forest. He stated that we have a one-year warranty on the Storm Water Project.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Second Reading Ordinance 2011-2012-10 Stoneridge Development rezoning three lots from C-1 to C-2 across from McDonald's.**

Charles Eshenaur moved to hold the Second Reading of 2011-2012-10 Stone ridge Development rezoning three lots from C-1 to C-2 across from McDonald's. Charles Keefer made a second. Motion carried.

### **Second Reading Ordinance 2011-2012 –11 Stoneridge development rezoning acreage along Kanawha River from R-1 to C-1 and part C-2**

Charles Eshenaur moved to hold the Second Reading of 2011-2012 Stoneridge development rezoning acreage along Kanawha River from R-1 to C-1 and part C-2. Charles Keefer made a second. Motion carried.

### **Street light report - Charles Eshenaur.**

Charles Eshenaur reported that all lights were working except the one on the corner of Ferry Street and Rt. 817, which has a faulty fixture that needs repaired.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Appoint new member to Municipal Building Commission.** On the Mayor's recommendation, Charles Eshenaur moved to appoint Denny Sansom as a member to the Municipal Building Commission for a two-year term, commencing August 2012. Dana Campbell made a second. Motion carried.

**Additional funding – Putnam County School Board's donation for Resource Officer in the schools.** Mayor Barrett and Chief Perrine briefed the Council on the duties of a Resource Officer. The officer would be a policeman with a drug-sniffing dog serving as a teacher, counselor and mentor in the schools. Chief Perrine noted that there are grants available for this position but we are too late to apply for this coming school year. However, the Chief stated that an officer can be placed in the schools this year through a funding by the Putnam County Sheriff's Department and the Putnam County Board of Education. The Board of Education has offered the City of Winfield \$25,000.00 towards the total estimated cost of \$43,032.00 for the Resource Officer Program. The Mayor stated that the

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City’s share would be \$18,032.00, and that the Officer would cover all three City schools. The Mayor stated that this program was similar to the Pro Grant that the city had in the past, but was lost due to lack of support from the previous administration. Chief Perrine informed Council that he will be attending a class on grant writing and that he will be applying for a grant in January 2013 for the following school year. If the grant is awarded, there is a good chance that the City will be reimbursed for what was spent this school year on the program. Charles Eshenaur moved to supplement the Putnam County Board of Education’s donation of \$25,000.00 with \$18,032.00 to cover the cost of a Resource Officer who will work with the three schools in Winfield. Dana Campbell made a second. Motion carried.

**Reappoint Rod Burns to the Sanitary Board.**

Upon recommendation of the Mayor, Dana Campbell moved to reappoint Rod Burns to a 2-year term on the Sanitary Board, commencing August 2012. Charles Eshenaur made a second. Motion carried.

**GOOD OF THE ORDER.** The Mayor reported that a newsletter would be coming out soon. He also reported that he had obtained some useful information on upgrading our web site and the proper use of “Roberts Rules of Order” for meetings at the Municipal League Conference that he attended. The Mayor also stated that he received several good reports from citizens after the recent street cleaning and that the cleaning should help keep debris from the recently improved storm sewer system. The Mayor stated that he was pleased with the good working relationship that we have developed with the City of Hurricane.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Pat Woodrum moved that the meeting be adjourned at 8:06 p.m. until the next regularly scheduled meeting. Motion carried.

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Randy L Barrett, Mayor

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Jackie Hunter, Recorder