

**MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
March 9, 2021
6:00 p.m.**

Mayor Randy Barrett called the regular meeting of the Winfield City Council to order on March 9, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. at Winfield City Hall, 3426 Winfield Road, Winfield, WV.

Attendance:

Members Attending: Randy Barrett, Mayor; Kevin Karnes, Joe Rumbaugh, Dana Campbell and Ryan Powers, members; Jackie Hunter, Recorder. Steve Hanna attended via telephone.

Absent: Tim LaFon, City Counsel

Staff Present: Tina Woollard, City Clerk/Treasurer and Richie Ferguson, City Maintenance.

Public/Guests: Susan Azevedo, attending for U.S. Representative Alex Mooney, was present to hear any comments or questions directed to Representative Mooney.

Approval of Minutes Ryan Powers moved to approve the minutes of the February 9, 2021 regular meeting. Motion carried. Kevin Karnes moved to approve the minutes of the March 1, 2021 special budget meeting. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL:

Bills Paid. Hearing no objections or questions, Ryan Powers moved that the bills paid for the month of February 2021 in the amount of \$143,586.84 be approved. Motion carried.

General Fund Financial Statement. Hearing no objections or questions, Ryan Powers moved that the financial statement for the month of February 2021 be approved. Motion carried.

Coal Severance Fund Financial Statement. Hearing no objections or questions, Ryan Powers moved that the Coal Severance Statement for February 2021 be approved. Motion carried.

Financial (Cont'd)

General Fund Budget Revision 7 2020-2021 Ryan Powers moved that the following budget revision be approved. Motion carried.

Revenues:

Acct. #	Acct. Description	Previously Approved Amt.	(Increase)	(Decrease)	Revised Amt.
366	State Gov. Grants	\$274,977	\$ 15,138		\$290,115
365	Fed Gov. Grants		\$ 44,310		\$ 44,310
			\$ 59,448		

Expenditures:

Acct. #	Acct. Description	Previously Approved Amt.	(Increase)	(Decrease)	Revised Amt.
975	Gen Government	\$169,410	\$ 15,138		\$184,548
440	City Hall	\$342,997	\$ 44,310		\$387,307
			\$ 59,448		

REPORTS, QUESTIONS & DISCUSSIONS:

Police and Municipal Staff Report.

Chief Arthur gave an update on police activities. He said the crime rate in the City is low and that 75-100% of crimes committed has been solved. Out of the last 8 people arrested for stealing, 8 have been people coming in from out of town for Day Report or Drug Court.

The young police force is proving very satisfactory and the least experienced in law enforcement, Officer Peña, is learning and conducting himself above officers with his amount of experience. Sgt. Thompson has held his position for a couple of months and is doing well. Officer Hunt, who is familiar with the Zuercher System, has been a big help in getting that up and running for the department.

Police and Municipal Staff Report (cont'd)

The Mayor reported Court was canceled last month because of the storm and rescheduled for this month.

Laura Cox is negotiating the property right of way for the Street Scape.

A public hearing will be held for Phase 4 of Courtyard Estates in April.

The town homes across from Riverdale were approved for a subdivision last month by the Planning Commission. The plans have not been received yet.

The storage units public hearing for Dale Vance was approved by the Planning Commission.

Wastewater System/Treatment Plant Report

The Mayor stated that the new sewer plant should be fired up in April and the old ponds will start to be emptied at that time. If the readings are right, the sludge will be spread on hay fields on the other side of Hurricane Creek .The trailer to spread the sludge came in last week and the dump truck should be in next week.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Community Center Discussion on Opening to Public/Sanitation/Fees. Ryan Powers moved to reopen the Community Center as soon as possible but later rescinded the motion to allow the Mayor and Tim LaFon time to review the rental agreement and make any necessary changes.

Opening of 2021-2022 Mowing Bids. Johnny's Lawn Service \$2,640.00
Superior Lawn Service \$2,300.00. Kevin Karnes moved to accept Superior Lawn Service bid of \$2,300. Motion carried.

General Fund Budget 2021-2022. Kevin Karnes moved to accept the 2021-2022 budget as presented with the following changes: Motion carried.

Revenue:	Ad Valorem Tax (969)
Expenditures:	City Hall Group Insurance - 2,000
	City Hall Supplies - (2,000)
	Police Capital Outlay- 635
	Public Safety Capital- (1,604)
	Community Center- 1,000
	Fairs- (1,000)

Unfinished Business (cont'd)

Coal Severance Budget 2021-2022. Ryan Powers moved to accept the Coal Severance Budget 2021-2022 as presented. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Pay App #9 SBR Plant. At the recommendation of the Sanitary Board, Dana Campbell moved to release funds for Pay App #9 as follows:

\$324,750.60 - Hayslett Construction.

\$ 80,225.00 – Equipment Line Item

\$ 11,913.65 – Thrasher inspection

\$416,889.25 – Total

Spring Clean-up. Ryan Powers moved to hold Spring Clean-up on May 15th. Motion carried.

Ordinance Amendment Article 1347.02 Permitted Principal Uses, Tiny Houses.

Kevin Karnes moved that tiny houses should be at least 16 ft. wide, with a minimum of 1100 sq. ft. for a one story dwelling or 750 sq. ft. per floor for a two story dwelling. Motion carried.

Change Meeting Date for April – Lay of the Levy. Dana Campbell moved to change the regular meeting date to April 20th in order to coordinate with the yearly Lay of the Levy. Motion carried.

Fire Department Donation. Kevin Karnes moved to contribute \$5,258.79 to the Fire Department. Motion carried.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Compliments were given to city workers for a job well done with snow removal.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Dana Campbell moved that the meeting be adjourned at 7:15p.m. until the next scheduled meeting. Motion carried.

Randy L. Barrett, Mayor

Jackie Hunter, Recorder