

**MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
May 10, 2022
6:00 p.m.**

Mayor Randy Barrett called the meeting of the Winfield City Council to order on May 10, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at Winfield City Hall, 12448 Winfield Road, Winfield, WV.

Attendance:

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

Absent: Dana Campbell

Staff Present: Nikki Phillips, City Clerk/Treasurer; Ritchie Ferguson, City Maintenance and Tim LaFon, City Counsel.

Public/Guests: None

Approval of Minutes Ryan Powers moved to approve the minutes of the April 19, 2022 regular meeting. Motion carried

FINANCIAL:

Bills Paid. Hearing no objections or questions, Ryan Powers moved that the bills paid for the month of April 2022 in the amount of \$108,958.43 be approved. Motion carried.

General Fund Financial Statement. Hearing no objections or questions, Ryan Powers moved that the financial statement for the month of April 2022 be approved. Motion carried.

Coal Severance Fund Financial Statement. Hearing no objections or questions, Ryan Powers moved that the Coal Severance Statement for April 2022 be approved. Motion carried.

A.R.P.A. Hearing no objections or questions, Ryan Powers moved to approve the A.R.P.A. statement for April 2022 as presented. Motion carried.

REPORTS, QUESTIONS & DISCUSSIONS:

Police and Municipal Staff Report.

Chief Arthur reported that there have been two felonies in town and new residents at Brittany Pointe have caused some problems.

There have been several annoyance complaints from one resident concerning golf carts. Three or four are out of hand and ruining it for everyone else but the situation is being curbed.

The Chief stated that he had attended a conference call with the Mayor and Nikki where possible grants for police departments were discussed. One particular grant from the Federal DOT to fill a new position sounded good but after conferring with Laura Cox, it seems that there would be a 25% match and higher populated areas would be considered first. If the grant considered our community oriented policing we would be ahead of the game. In a 7 day period there were 19 calls on the Chief's phone plus all the personal contacts he made while out in the community. He is looking for other grants and he feels he is learning more about the grant process.

The Mayor Reported that the new budget will start in July. The area on 2nd Street near the apartments, from Ferry to Main, needs attention where previous patchwork has failed. Woodbend Cove going out to the island needs to be examined for the coming year. The curbs that were repaired in Mariner's Landing and Winfield Trace need attention. The areas that need black topping could possibly be coordinated with work already being done in the area but Woodbend is concrete.

We did not receive the grant for the softball complex, so we need to be thinking of the foot print of the old plant area and deciding how best to use it. Thrasher is going to contribute ideas.

National Gunite came and looked at the underground retention pipe at Courtyard and they observed water pouring out of the vents after a heavy rainfall. Seventeen joints need cleaned of dirt and debris and sealed with gunite.

Mayor's Report (cont'd)

The quote for that work is \$49,000. If they put in a new bottom, the quote is \$155,000. The pipe has been there for over 20 years and the Mayor feels that should be taken into consideration.

A lease is signed and everything is ready to take the sludge to a farm on Plantation.

Vicki Casto has replaced Sara Campbell who has retired.

Water Sports will be held at the boat dock June 10-11

Wastewater System/Treatment Plant Report.

Ritchie Ferguson reported on the work of the maintenance crew for the last month and stated that the new screen at the sewer plant was working as it should. The Mayor said they had an early walk through the plant since he was going to be out of town next week. The Mayor expects to get a bill on the new screen from Hayslett next month. There is some concern about when the warranty will start.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Infrastructure Projects Utilizing the American Rescue Plan Relief Funds/General Funds. Ryan Powers moved to have a package put together for the seams and bottom of the retention pipe at Courtyard. After the Mayor stated that paper work had already been completed, Ryan Powers rescinded his motion. Kevin Karnes moved to have city workers check the seams and the bottom of the pipe and if the bottom needs replaced all the work should be done at once. Motion carried.

Ryan Powers moved to have the water fountain installed at the new shelter. Motion carried.

Insurance Quotes 2022-2023 Tax Year. Kevin Karnes moved to go with WVcorp for the city's insurance needs. Motion carried.

Community Center/Shelter Rentals. It was agreed to finish up this year and revisit the situation after the first of the year.

Second Reading Ordinance 2021-2022-8 2022 Replacement Pages. Steve Hanna moved to hold second reading on the above ordinance. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

New Police Vehicle. Ryan Powers moved to purchase the 2023 Ford Police Explorer for \$36,309.00. Motion carried.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Kevin Karnes moved that the meeting be adjourned at 7:11 p.m. until the next scheduled meeting. Motion carried.

Randy L. Barrett, Mayor

Jackie Hunter, Recorder