WINFIELD PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES August 2, 2021 7:00 p.m.

Chairman William Davis called the meeting of the Winfield Planning Commission to order on August 2, 2021 at 7:08 p.m. at Winfield City Hall, 12448 Winfield Road, Winfield, WV.

Members Attending: Bill Davis, Jason Crane, Dave Dean, Sean Loyd and Secretary, Angie Hodges

Members Absent: Diann Hodges

Staff Present: Mayor, Randy Barrett, Laura Cox, Planning Director, Tim Lafon, City Attorney and

Jackie Hunter, Recorder

Staff Absent: Richie Ferguson, Building Inspector

Public Present: None

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve the Minutes of the April 12, 2021 meeting made by Angie

Hodges. Motion carried.

Staff Action/Reports:

<u>52</u> Residential Building permits and <u>9</u> Commercial Building Permits and <u>1</u> Permit Extension were issued between April 1, 2021 through July 27, 2021.

UFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

1. Discuss adding a TIF (Tax Increment Finance) district for tax purposes.

Mayor Barrett began the discussion with announcing that member, Vee Brown, has resigned due to moving out of the city and he will be looking for her replacement. He then commented on the reason for adopting a TIF district is to help fund proposed ball fields, to be constructed, at the former sanitary sewer plant property. City Attorney, Tim Lafon explained that a TIF district allows undeveloped property, in the city, to be designated and projects tax increases. The tax increases derive from bonds that are generated to create infrastructure. Tax monies generated from the TIF district can be directed to certain projects. Mayor Barrett commented that Ray Burke, on behalf of Oshel Craigo of Better Foods and the Putnam County Commission have expressed interested in helping fund the ball field project. Planning Director, Laura Cox, stated that there are grant monies available to also help with funding.

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After a brief discussion, Planning Commission Member, Sean Loyd made a motion to send a recommendation to Winfield City Council to explore creating a TIF district with all of the revenue directed to Parks and Recreation. Motion carried.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

ADJOURNMENT

President Bill Davis made a motion to adjourn at 7:45 p.m. until the next meeting. Motion carried.

William Davis, Chairman

Angie Hodges, Secretary