

**MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
September 13, 2016  
6:00 pm.**

Mayor Randy Barrett called the regular monthly meeting of the Winfield City Council to order on September 13, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. at Winfield City Hall, 3426 Winfield Road, Winfield, WV.

**ATTENDANCE**

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

**Staff Present.** John Hodges, Public Works Director; Tim Lafon, City Counsel, Police Chief Eggleton and Gloria Chapman, City Clerk/Treasurer.

**Public:** No one speaking

**Approval of Minutes.** Ryan Powers moved that the minutes of the August 9, 2016 meeting be approved. Motion carried.

**FINANCIAL:**

**Bills Paid.** Hearing no objections or questions, Steve Hanna moved that the bills paid for the month of August 2016 in the amount of 60,065.62 be approved. Motion carried.

**General Fund Financial Statements.** Hearing no objections or questions, Ryan Powers moved that the Financial Report for August 2016 be approved. Motion carried.

**Coal Severance Fund Financial Statement.** Hearing no objections or questions, the Coal Severance Statement for August 2016 was approved.

**REPORTS, QUESTIONS & DISCUSSIONS**

**Police and Municipal Staff Report.**

Chief Eggleton reported that officers have gone through Naloxone training that could help them save lives in the future.

The Chief alerted Council that panhandlers have been going door to door in the city with a scam to collect money for veterans. He stated that the group from Indiana was asked to leave and if any other occurrences were noted, that the Police Dept. should be notified.

## **Reports, Questions and Discussions (cont'd)**

Mayor Barrett informed Council that he has had on going meetings with the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection on the MS-4 Program.

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

John Hodges stated that the sewer plant reading for August was 27.7 mg/L.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Annexation Discussion.** Tim Lafon stated that the Circuit Court had ruled in favor of the city in a similar annexation situation in Westover and that it was being sent back to the Supreme Court.

**Core Drilling of Anderson Property to Determine Contamination.** The Mayor stated that the estate is still not settled.

**Second Reading & Adoption Ordinance 2016-2017-2- Amend Article 1105 Weeds, Trees and Shrubs.** Ryan Powers moved to hold the second reading and adoption of Ordinance 2016-2017-2 to amend Article 1105 Weeds, Trees and Shrubs. Motion carried.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Offer to Purchase Lots in Front of Wastewater Plant.**

Ryan Powers moved to send the letter and check back to the sender since Council had no legal ability to accept the offer as verified by Tim Lafon, City Counsel. Motion carried.

After discussion, Ryan Powers moved to set the minimum bid for both lots in question at \$425,000. Frank Bannister voted nay. Motion carried.

**Draft of MS-4 Ordinance.** Ryan Powers moved to accept the first draft of the MS-4 Ordinance. Motion carried.

**SRA Application for MS-4 Program Approval.** Frank Bannister moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the application. Motion carried.

**Set Date for Trick or Treat.** Ryan Powers moved to hold Trick or Treat in Winfield from 6 pm to 8 pm on October 31. Motion carried.

## **GOOD OF THE ORDER**

Mayor Barrett reported that the County Commission had informed him that there would be a public auction on October 15 at 10:00 am. He said if the old police cars were ready, they could be sold at the auction.

### **Good of the Order (cont'd)**

Councilman Powers stated that if at all possible, he would like to see an update on the sewer project in December. The Mayor said if new information was in place that an update would be appropriate.

Ryan Powers and Joe Rumbaugh commended the Putnam County Homecoming Committee for the successful Homecoming.

Ryan Powers asked to have the Community Center schedule checked for Dec. 11 for three hours for a Fire Department Christmas Dinner and Dec. 17 for Breakfast with Santa.

He stated that the annual Christmas Parade would be held on Dec. 17 at 7:00 pm and that Santa would be visiting around the city from Dec. 12 – Dec. 16 and catching up on any missed areas on Dec. 19.

Councilman Rumbaugh commended the Police Department for a job well done during the mock pull-over conducted at Winfield High School.

Councilman Hanna thanked John Hodges and the city employees for cleaning the branch at Woodland Forest and getting the town ready for Homecoming.

Tim Lafon announced that a check was being sent to reimburse the city for legal fees from a recent court settlement.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:59 pm. until the next scheduled meeting. Motion carried.

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**Randy L Barrett, Mayor**

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**Jackie Hunter, Recorder**