

**MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING**

**January 12, 2021
6:00 p.m.**

Mayor Randy Barrett called the meeting of the Winfield City Council to order on January 12, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. at Winfield City Hall, 3426 Winfield Road, Winfield, WV.

Attendance:

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

Staff Present: Tina Woollard, City Clerk/Treasurer; Richie Ferguson, City Maintenance and Tim LaFon, City Counsel.

Public/Guests: None speaking.

Approval of Minutes: Ryan Powers moved to approve the minutes of the December 8, 2020 regular meeting. Motion carried

FINANCIAL:

Bills Paid. Hearing no objections or questions, Ryan Powers moved that the bills paid for the month of December 2020 in the amount of \$203,722.01 be approved. Motion carried.

General Fund Financial Statement. Hearing no objections or questions, Ryan Powers moved that the financial statement for the month of December 2020 be approved. Motion carried.

Coal Severance Fund Financial Statement. Hearing no objections or questions, Ryan Powers moved that the Coal Severance Statement for December 2020 be approved. Motion carried.

General Fund Budget Revision 6 2020-2021. Ryan Powers moved that the following Budget Revision be approved. Motion carried.

Revenues:

| Acct. # | Acct. Description | Prev. Approved Amount | (Increase) | (Decrease) | Revised Amount |
|---------|-------------------|-----------------------|------------|------------|----------------|
| 366 | State Gov. Grants | \$183,157 | \$ 91,820 | | \$274,977 |
| 297 | Committed Fund | \$ 53,577 | \$148,945 | | \$202,522 |
| 298 | Assigned Fund | \$ 10,433 | \$ 40,751 | | \$ 51,184 |
| 299 | Unassigned Fund | \$162,979 | | \$ 20,286 | \$142,693 |
| | | | \$261,230 | | |

Expenditures:

| Acct. # | Acct. Description | Prev. Approved Amount | (Increase) | (Decrease) | Revised Amount |
|---------|--------------------|-----------------------|------------|------------|----------------|
| 976 | Public Safety | 55,550 | | 45,000 | 10,550 |
| 900 | Parks & Recreation | 10,163 | 25,000 | | 35,163 |
| 975 | General Gov. | | 169,410 | | 169,410 |
| 436 | Building Inspect | 5,150 | 5,000 | | 10,150 |
| 437 | Planning & Zoning | 11,211 | 2,000 | | 13,211 |
| 440 | City Hall | 238,178 | 104,820 | | 342,998 |
| | | | \$261,230 | | |

REPORTS, QUESTIONS, & DISCUSSIONS:

Police and Municipal Staff Report.

Chief Arthur reported: There are fewer traffic violations currently, which has allowed for incidents of more serious crimes to be resolved. Stolen property has been recovered and just cleared an arson, a class 1 felony.

The Department has received its allotment of the Covid-19 vaccine.

The Zuercher system is up and running and doing well.

The Department is receiving a lot of support, that is greatly appreciated and morale is good.

The Mayor reported: A letter of appreciation was received from the Hoge House Committee for the donation made by the City.

The County Commission presented \$18,000 to the City that will go toward a shelter. Laura Cox donated \$3,500 to be used for benches on the riverside of the basketball court.

Reports, Questions and Discussions (Cont'd)

The \$3200 donated to the City for Fairs and Festivals in 2020 is still available until June of 2021. Appalachian Boarding has indicated that they would like to hold a special event that could utilize those funds and not have the funds returned to the State.

There will be a public hearing on March 1st at 7:00 p.m. for a Town House Subdivision along Rt. 817. Dale Vance will also present at the same hearing for climate-controlled storage buildings behind the Municipal Building.

The City has received \$274,977 from the CARES Program. The State has reneged on about \$80,000, resulting in some of the things voted on having to be canceled.

Shop with the Cop, \$1,000 was budgeted, and \$850 had been allocated to the High School. Alicia and Josh approached Mayor Barrett because a couple more kids were in need. Mayor Barrett stated that Alicia and Josh had \$150 left in the budget, and he would donate money. Alicia and Josh again had a couple more kids in need, Mayor Barrett has donated \$300, but the expenses still exceeded by \$405.

After a recent DEP inspection, a letter was received stating that the City had been written up for grease being in the stations and an aerator being down.

Ron Foster called Mayor Barrett, inquiring about running fiber through the City and the City taking financial responsibility for the fiber that would through the City.

The FEMA Fire Department has three safety grants available, and Mikyle White stated that the Fire Department would be applying for in areas of all three grants.

Equipment received for the new SBR Plant and part of the loan: trailer, forks, brush, bucket, and jackhammer.

Wastewater System/Treatment Plant Report.

Richie Ferguson reported on the work of the maintenance crew for the last month.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Annexation. Tim Lafon stated that he is expecting a written decision within the next couple of days.

Street Committee Report. No action, remove until budget planning.

Unfinished Business (Cont'd)

Community Center Discussion on Opening to Public/Sanitation/Fees. No action.

Discussion to address possible changes to Tap Fees. Steve Hanna moved to accept the changes in tap fees as presented: Tier 1- \$350 per tap up to a total of 10; Tier 2- \$37.50 per tap between 11 and 50 after amount in Tier 1 has been paid; Tier 3 – after each application over 50 the tap fee should be \$100. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Pay App #7 SBR Plant. Ryan Powers moved to pay \$312,791.76, as approved by the Sanitary Board. Motion carried.

GOOD OF THE ORDER Joe Rumbaugh expressed gratitude on behalf of the Hoge House Committee for being allowed to store refurbished wagon on City property.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Dana Campbell moved that the meeting be adjourned at 7:04 p.m. until the next scheduled meeting. Motion carried.

Randy L. Barrett, Mayor

Jackie Hunter, Recorder