

**MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
November 12, 2019
6:00 pm.**

Mayor Randy Barrett called the regular meeting of the Winfield City Council to order on November 12, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at Winfield City Hall, 3426 Winfield Road, Winfield, WV.

ATTENDANCE

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

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

Public and Guests: None speaking

Approval of Minutes: Hearing no objections or questions, Ryan Powers moved that the minutes of the October 8, 2019 Regular Meeting be approved. Motion carried. Hearing no objections or questions, Ryan Powers moved that the minutes of the October 29, 2019 Special Meeting be approved. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL:

Bills Paid. Hearing no objections or questions, Ryan Powers moved that the bills paid for the month of October 2019 in the amount of \$49,940.72 be approved. Motion carried.

General Fund Financial Statements. Hearing no objections or questions, Ryan Powers moved that the financial statement for the month of October 2019 be approved. Motion carried.

Coal Severance Fund Financial Statement. Hearing no objections or questions, Ryan Powers moved that the Coal Severance Statement for October 2019 be approved. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL (Cont'd).

General Fund Budget Revision 3 - 2019-2020. Gloria Chapman noted that she moved funds from line items, “Contributions to Commissions/Authorities” and “City Hall” to cover expenses in line items, “Parks and Recreation” and “Street and Transportation”. Ryan Powers moved to approve the General Fund Budget Rev. 3 2019-2020 as follows. Motion carried.

The Mayor stated that the money spent on Parks and Recreation would be reimbursed through the 50/50 grant awarded to build City Park.

Expenditures:

Acct. #	Acct. Description	Prev. Approved Amt.	(Increase)	(Decrease)	Revised Amount
424	Contributions to Comms/Authorities	201,120		35,500	165,620
440	City Hall	237,593		10,000	227,593
900	Parks and Recreation	37,676	35,500		73,176
977	Street and Transportation	8,750	10,000		18,750

REPORTS, QUESTIONS & DISCUSSIONS

Police and Municipal Staff Report:

Chief Starcher reported: Officer Twohig graduated 4th in his class of 50 Officers at the Academy on October 24th. Officer Higginbotham’s wife sang the National Anthem at the graduation ceremonies. Chief gave a report recapping the month’s activities as follows:

Trick-or-Treat night went well with no incidents.

Medical Services will be conducting a CPR class on February 14 to update training of all officers.

There have been no issues at the Winfield High School home games since officers have been patrolling the area.

Reports, Questions and Discussions, Chief's Report (Cont'd).

Testing will be held on November 22 to fill the vacant position on the force.
At this point, there are 16 applicants.

Mayor Barrett reported:

The plumbing and roof of the shelter at City Park still needs some work before completion, but labor on the project came in at \$10,000 less than budgeted.

A swing set for the park has been ordered that cost \$2,500.00.

The fence at the daycare on Garfield Street was inspected by the Building Inspector and, even though it is unsightly, it meets code.

There will be a Christmas tree lighting ceremony at Olde Town Square on December 7th at 5:30.

Wastewater System/Treatment Plant Report: Ritchie Ferguson, City Maintenance crew, reported that the ammonia reading for September was 5.6 mg/L and October was 21.5 mg/L. He also reported that six pump stations were cleaned and they replaced some rails that had deteriorated. Also, the ditch line in front of Dollar General Store was jetted out and they installed a 6" drain at the Park Shelter. Also, they did some repairs to the curbs in Countryview and they purchased a new salt spreader.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Annexation Discussion. Tim Lafon reported he had submitted a brief, but the judge wants to hear an oral argument on January 9th at 1:30 p.m. before making a decision.

Street Committee Report. No Report.

Second Reading Ord. 2019-2020-1 Text Amend Article 529. Ryan Powers moved to hold second reading of the text amendment of Article 529. Ryan Powers made motion to amend the last sentence regarding the fine to say: "Any person convicted of such will be charged with a misdemeanor and shall be punished for each offense by a fine of \$ 50.00". Motion carried.

Second Reading Ord. 2019-2020-5 Text Amend Article 147 – Sanitary Board. Kevin Karnes moved to approve the second reading and adoption of the text amendment which removes all of the wording requiring a “registered professional engineer” be on the Board during construction of sewer facilities or additions to the existing system. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Sanitary Board Recommendation to Council to Amend Ord. 2014-2015-3 Sewer Rate Increase to Begin 2nd Rate Increase at Closing of Loan. Dana Campbell moved to begin the 2nd sewer rate increase at the closing of the loan, instead as previously approved, to begin at the completion of the new sewer plant. Motion carried.

Mayoral Proclamation – Christian Heritage Week. Steve Hanna moved to proclaim Christian Heritage Week during Thanksgiving week from November 24-30, in harmony with the proclamation of Governor Jim Justice and Mayor Randy Barrett. Motion carried.

Reappointments to Municipal Building Commission. At the recommendation of the Mayor, the following were reappointed to the Municipal Building Commission, commencing in January and for the term of 2 years:

Bob Harvey as moved by Dana Campbell. Motion carried

Jim Winter as moved by Steve Hanna. Motion carried.

Dennis Sansom as moved by Ryan Powers. Motion carried.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Dana Campbell moved that the meeting be adjourned at 6:55 pm, until the next scheduled meeting. Motion carried.

Randy L Barrett, Mayor

Jackie Hunter, Recorder