

**MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
December 10, 2019
6:00 pm**

Mayor Randy Barrett called the regular meeting of the Winfield City Council to order on December 10, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at Winfield City Hall, 3426 Winfield Road, Winfield, WV.

ATTENDANCE

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

Staff Present. Gloria Chapman, City Clerk/Treasurer; Tim LaFon, City Counsel, Eddie Starcher, Police Chief and Ritchie Ferguson, City Maintenance worker.

Public and Guests. Sam Barnette commended the Council on all that had been accomplished during their term.

Debbie Elkins of 7 Waters Edge came to be informed on what had transpired with the changing of the school crossing guard.

Approval of Minutes. Hearing no objections or questions, Steve Hanna moved that the minutes of the November 12, 2019 Regular Meeting be approved. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL

Bills Paid: Hearing no objections or questions, Ryan Powers moved the bills for the month of November 2019 in the amount of \$54,366.78 be approved. Motion carried.

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

FINANCIAL (CONT'D.)

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

REPORTS, QUESTIONS & DISCUSSIONS

Police and Municipal Staff Report.

Chief Starcher reported:

The Police Department will be having their annual Shop With a Cop program with 2 students chosen from each school.

The Winfield Police Department was given kudos by the prosecutors for the work that officers put forth in convicting a Winfield man of child abuse.

A Physical Fitness requalification test will be given to all officers on Tuesday.

Testing was conducted to hire a new officer and out of 7 tests given, 4 were failed. Officer Noah Garcelon was hired and will be introduced to Council at a the next meeting.

The DUI – Traffic Safety check point was held resulting in 10 citations issued and 2 DUI arrests.

There have been 15 complaints of shop lifting from Dollar General and Speedway.

Mayor Barrett reported:

A small amount of work and an inspection still needs to be completed at the City Park with the turn-key expense to be about \$71,000, which is very close to the amount of the 50-50 grant obtained for the park.

The Boat Ramp is completed and open.

Some trees have been trimmed at the cemetery.

The Fire Department has scheduled the annual Christmas Parade to be held on Rt. 817 on Saturday at 7:00 pm if weather permits.

Mayor's Report (Continued):

Advertising for bids on the sewer project were published on December 13th and 20th with bids being opened on January 8th. Closing on the loan could be as early as March.

Wastewater System/Treatment Plant Report. Ritchie Ferguson reported that results for the ammonia reading for December had not been received yet. He stated that after repairing the bucket truck, City Maintenance had been busy putting up Christmas Decorations along the bridge, and along Rt. 817 and decorating the tree near the gazebo.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Annexation Discussion. Tim Lafon reported that the oral argument will take place on January 9th at 1:30 with Judge Reader.

Street Committee Report. No report

Third Reading and Adoption of Ord. 2019-2020-4 Text Amend Article 529.04 – Tobacco Use in Public Schools. Steve Hanna moved to hold the third reading and adoption of Ord. 2019-2020-4. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Reappoint Sean Lloyd to the Planning Commission. Dana Campbell moved to reappoint Sean Lloyd to the Planning Commission for a term of three years commencing on January 1, 2020. Motion carried.

Resolution 2019-2020 Justice Assistance Grant 19-JAG-21. Dana Campbell moved to authorize the Mayor to renew the contractual agreement with the Division of Administrative Services, Justice and Community Services Section to receive and administer grant funds pursuant to provisions of the Justice Assistance Grant program. Motion carried.

Hold Municipal Court Every Month. Steve Hanna moved to hold Municipal Court every month instead of every other month. Motion carried.

Building Permit Fees and B & O Tax on Construction of New Wastewater Plant. Ryan Powers moved to table. Motion carried.

Discuss Fee for General Contractors and Sub-contractors. No action taken

Discuss Police Contract with Regard to William Bogle. Dana Campbell moved to proceed in Civil Court to uphold the contract between William Bogle and the City of Winfield. Motion carried.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

ADJOURNMENT. With no further business, Ryan Powers moved the meeting be adjourned at 7:15 p.m. until the next scheduled meeting. Motion carried.

Randy L Barrett, Mayor

Jackie Hunter, Recorder