



JOINT WINFIELD TOWN COUNCIL & PLAN COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES

FEBRUARY 23, 2023 @ 6:00PM

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The Joint Winfield Town Council and Plan Commission held a meeting on Thursday, February 23, 2023, at the Winfield Town Hall at 6:01 pm. Those present from the Plan Commission: Jon Derwinski, Mark Nelson, Dave Anderson, Tim Clayton, Joe Gacsy, Jim Hajek. Those present from the Town Council: Tim Clayton, Dave Anderson, Jon Derwinski and Michael Lambert. Also present: Town Clerk-Treasurer, Rick Anderson; Town Engineers Michael Duffy and Shaun Finney, DLZ; Town Attorney David Austgen, Austgen Kuiper, Jasaitis P.C.; Town Administrator Nick Bellar, and Anthony Clark, Public Works Director. Not in attendance: Zack Beaver.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Comprehensive Master Plan Update Introduction.

This was an informational meeting to update the Town Council and Plan Commission on the results of the first Town of Winfield Comprehensive Master Plan Community Workshop. Veridus Group; the Town consultants, are here to give an update about the initial results from the first community workshop held on February 15, 2023. Alaina Shonkwiler and Jack Woods presented a general overview of the communities input on the project. They also presented an overview summary of future land use maps. Along with the input gathered from the residents, who attended and participated in the workshop. There were approximately 40 residents, and a few non-residents that attended. Alaina explained that they focused on the mapping exercise, as an introduction to the residents of what comprehensive planning is, why the Town needs to do this, and what it looks like from the community's perspective. The focus was on residential areas, commercial areas, parks and green spaces, infrastructure, and roads. They also looked at quality of life amenities. Walkability, walking paths, trails, connect ability of sidewalks, a dog park, more restaurants and dining, a splash pad, family friendly activities for pre-teens, and teenagers were all mentioned. There is also a desire to keep the natural and rural character to the Town as that is what drew some of the residents to the Town of Winfield. While residents do not want to the Town to become over developed; they were interested in maintaining the commercial corridor along Randolph Street, by adding more restaurants and retail there. Residents want areas that are not developed, along with low-density housing. Another concern was congestion pain points especially for rush hour travel. They would also like to see a 231 connection. The Veridus Group presented heat maps showing the outcome of the workshop.

Alaina explained that the community listening and input sessions were extremely important to make sure that they are taking into consideration what the residents are wanting and not wanting for the community. There will also be a community survey taken in March, as a community listening tool. They will be using Survey Monkey; to take the survey, along with QR



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code access. They would like to be able to present the findings at the next community workshop on April 19th.

Alaina also explained the next steps in the process. The second community workshop will be April 19, 2023, from 6:00 pm-7:30 pm here at Town Hall. The current timeline is to present the new Comprehensive Master Plan to the Plan Commission at a May meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

With no further business before the Town Council and Plan Commission Dave Anderson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Jon Derwinski. All were in favor. Motion carried 6-0.

ADJOURNMENT: 6:23 PM

Attest:

Tim Clayton
Town Council President

Richard C. Anderson Jr.
Clerk-Treasurer

Dave Anderson
Plan Commission Secretary

Jon Derwinski
Plan Commission President

Date of Approval

Transcriber: Pamela Spengler