

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF APRIL 18, 2017

The second regular April meeting of the Mannington City Council with Mayor James Taylor presiding was held Tuesday, April 18, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at city hall. Council members attending were Kenneth Fletcher, Charlie Kolb, Richard Stevens and Becky Williams.

City Clerk Michele Fluharty read the minutes of the last meeting and they stood approved as read.

Visitor Stacy Hays said they are drag racing and speeding by her house on Laurel Drive. She asked if the police could sit over there in the evenings. Mayor Taylor said he will see that they make their presence known over there until the speeding is brought under control.

In department reports, Fluharty said the State Auditor has approved the levy estimate for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017.

The first item on the agenda was the public hearing on the levy rates for the FY 2017-18 budget. The rates are the same as last year. There was no public comment. Williams made the motion to approve the levy rates. Fletcher seconded the motion and it carried.

In Old Business, the FY 2017-18 Water Fund and Mead Fund Budgets were presented for a second and final reading. Stevens made the motion to approve both budgets as presented. Kolb seconded the motion and all approved.

Taylor reported that the demolition bids on the Wintergarden Project were opened last week with two bids received. SW Group \$140,280 and Reclaim \$151,760. He said that was over the projected budget for the project so Randy Watson of the Thrasher Group talked to both bidders to see if the price could be lowered. The revised bids were \$115,000 from the SW Group and this included providing all the stone and spreading it out. The revised bid from Reclaim was \$112,500 but the City would be responsible for buying the stone at a cost of approximately \$5,140. Stevens made the motion to accept the low bid from SW Group. Williams seconded the motion and it carried. Kolb voted no.

Fluharty presented a list of poll workers for the upcoming city election for council's approval. Kolb made the motion to approve the workers along with two alternates. Fletcher seconded the motion and it carried. The workers were as follows: Genevieve Daniel, Lois Duvall, Jim Hayes, Joan Hayes, Sue Jolliffe, Nedra Kelch, Susan Masters, Judy Morgan, Joanna Reeves, Arlene Scott, Barb Smith, Shirley Smith, Cara Starsick, Betty Taylor, Sharon Wright, Tometta Yost. Alternates: Samuel Long, Rose Barker.

The outstanding bills were reviewed. Fletcher made the motion to pay the bills as presented. Kolb seconded the motion and it carried.

Taylor said the City's contract with Citynet expires May 1 and Fluharty contacted both Frontier and Comcast. There was no response from Comcast but Frontier's quote showed a substantial savings over Citynet plus they can provide enhanced internet. Taylor asked for authorization to proceed with the negotiations with Frontier. He said the final agreement will be on the next agenda. Kolb made the motion to authorize the city clerk to contact Frontier to finalize the transfer. Stevens seconded the motion and it carried.

Fletcher made the motion to adjourn. Kolb seconded the motion and it carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.