

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF JULY 18, 2016

The second regular July meeting of the Mannington City Council with Mayor James Taylor presiding was held Monday, July 18, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at city hall. Council members attending were Denny Efaw, Kenneth Fletcher, Charlie Kolb, Richard Stevens and Becky Williams.

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

The only visitor was Patrolman Andy Kolb who asked if there had been any decision on his request regarding his recent suspension. Mayor Taylor said the pay that he lost during that suspension cannot be adjusted since Kolb did not file a grievance. Kolb said he was not concerned about the pay. Taylor said a call was made to the prosecuting attorney for clarification about the missed court date but there had been no response as yet. However, Taylor said the bottom line was that Kolb should have responded to the subpoena regardless of any other correspondence he received from the prosecutor' s office.

In department reports, Superintendent Ted Nice said the Brookside Bridge is now closed and they will begin repairs as soon as Council okays the purchase of the lumber for the flooring. He said the estimated cost is \$5,000. Since it is an emergency situation, Stevens made the motion to purchase 350 2x4x20s to repair the bridge. Kolb seconded the motion and all approved.

Chief of Police David James gave his June report in which they issued 30 citations and had five arrests. They received 231 calls for assistance.

Fluharty reported that they have begun taking credit card payments in her office and several have already been processed.

There was no old business.

In new business, the first item on the agenda was the FY 2016-17 General Fund Budget Revision #1. Fluharty said this revision was necessary to allocate the surplus unencumbered balance. Kolb made the motion to approve the revisions as presented. Efaw seconded the motion and it carried.

Ordinance #423 which provides for the sale of surplus property was presented for the first reading. Fletcher made the motion to set the auction for Saturday, August 27 at 11:00 a.m. Kolb seconded the motion and it carried.

Mayor Taylor read the ordinance. Kolb made the motion to accept the first reading of Ordinance #423. Fletcher seconded the motion and it carried.

Since the State Purchasing Division does not have contracts for dump trucks, it will be necessary to advertise for bids for a dump truck with snow plow package. Stevens made the motion to authorize the bid. Kolb seconded the motion and all approved.

The Park Board terms of Sally Kolb and Brenda Barker will expire on July 31, 2016 and Mayor Taylor recommended that they both be reappointed. Fletcher made the motion to reappoint Kolb and Barker to 6-year terms. Efaw seconded the motion and it carried. Kolb abstained.

Terrorism coverage and liability limits for the City's insurance coverage was discussed. Kolb made the motion to refuse the terrorism coverage and to keep the liability limits the same as last year's policy. Efaw seconded the motion and it carried.

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

Stevens asked the mayor to call the DOH's Bridgeport office to see when the hole on Market Street is to be paved. He said it is a hazard.

Signs prohibiting guns in the park were discussed. Taylor said he was approached by the softball people because several of the girls playing ball were not comfortable when they saw a man who was openly carrying a gun. Kolb and Stevens disagreed with putting up the signs. Chief James said since it was a public area, he did not think the signs would be legal.

Efaw made the motion to adjourn. Kolb seconded the motion and it carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.