

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF JULY 27, 2015

The second regular July meeting of the Mannington City Council with Mayor James Taylor presiding was held Monday, July 27, 2015 at 7:30 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 regular meeting and they stood approved as read.

As stipulated in Ordinance #407, Mayor Taylor announced that the USDA loan, which will finance the new Clarksburg Street Bridge, was closed this month. The \$3.00 municipal service charge increase will become effective on May 1, 2016.

Ray Shadrick and several other residents of Homewood Addition were present concerning the alley that runs from Laurel Drive to Harvest Drive. Shadrick says there is lot of unwanted traffic on the alley and all of the adjoining owners would like to abandon it. Fletcher asked about the utilities. Stevens said there are none located on that alley. Robin Smith arrived at this time and asked if the abandonment of the alley could be extended behind her house on the other side of Harvest Drive. Taylor told her that the application would need to be amended before it is turned into the Planning Commission.

Teresa Price said the pile of dirt and rocks at the property across the street from her is still there. She said it has been there for one year. Taylor said he was promised that it would be cleaned up so he will talk to the property owners again.

Main Street Director Julie Kersey asked for permission to close Water Street for the Blues & Cruise event. Taylor said he will talk to Chief James.

In Department Reports, Fluharty reported that 19 of 991 (2%) municipal service charge customers were delinquent as of June 30, 2015. The total owed is \$8055.94. She was given permission to turn them into the Marion County Magistrate's Office for collection. Fletcher asked if they would get a department report from code enforcement and Taylor said Horton would be at the next meeting.

Stevens said he has received complaints about the banks not being mowed at Bowers Park. Taylor said the City mows the bottom but the Park

Board is responsible for the banks. He will contact Sally Kolb. Fletcher asked if the speed bump on Burt Street will be replaced. He said the sign is still there. Since the area has been paved, he said speeding will be an issue. Stevens asked about the purpose of the one on Church Street since everyone drives around it.

In Old Business, the second and final reading of Ordinance #419 was the only item of business. Efaw made the motion to read the heading only. Kolb seconded the motion and it carried. Taylor read the heading. Efaw made the motion to adopt Ordinance #419 which abandons a portion of an alley off Summit Drive in Hough Addition. Stevens seconded the motion and it carried.

In New Business, General Fund Budget Revision #1 for FY 2015-16 was reviewed. Kolb made the motion to approve the revision as presented. Efaw seconded the motion and all approved.

Taylor asked Council to review the list of outstanding bills. Kolb made the motion to pay the bills as the money is available. Stevens seconded the motion and it carried.

Taylor said the paperwork did not arrive in time to get on tonight's agenda but he asked for Council's verbal authorization to authorize payment of Pay Requisition #2 on the Sidewalk Project as long as the engineer has signed off on the final inspection. Council agreed. It will be on the next agenda for the official vote.

The fair parade will be held on the next meeting date so Taylor asked if council had any objection to holding just one meeting in August so there would not be meetings on consecutive weeks. He said if an emergency arose, they could always call a special meeting. Everyone agreed to set the meeting on August 17.

Kolb made the motion to adjourn. Efaw seconded the motion and it carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.