

COUNCIL MEETING OF AUGUST 15, 2016

The second regular August meeting of the Mannington City Council with Mayor James Taylor presiding was held Monday, August 15, 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 they stood approved as read.

In the visitors' portion of the meeting, Dana Powell, president of the Mannington Kiwanis, asked for permission to put up their organization sign at the city limits. She was given the okay provided the sign is the same size as the others. She asked if the City workers could put the sign and Superintendent Ted Nice said they would. Powell then gave an update on current Kiwanis' projects.

In department reports, Chief of Police David James reported on their activity for July during which they received 278 calls for assistance.

Nice said they started replacing the flooring on the Brookside Bridge and hope to finish next week. He also noted that a new grinder pump was ordered for the water run-off behind Signs & More.

Taylor said he would like to begin the meeting with an executive session to discuss personnel. Stevens made the motion to adjourn into executive session. Efaw seconded the motion and it carried. The time was 7:10 p.m.

Council returned from the executive session with nothing to report. Efaw made the motion to reconvene into regular session. Fletcher seconded the motion and it carried. The time was 7:25 p.m.

Mayor Taylor said he and Nice recommend Josh Collins as the temporary Street & Water Department laborer. Stevens made the motion to accept the recommendation and hire Collins, as needed, on a temporary basis. Fletcher seconded the motion and it carried.

Taylor and James recommended Roger Gump for the full time patrolman position. James introduced Gump to City Council and gave them background

information on him. Fletcher made the motion to appoint Gump as a full time police officer subject to a six-month probation. Kolb seconded the motion and it carried.

The bids for a new dump truck were opened and the following were received:

Stephens Auto	\$53,827
Corwin Ford	\$57,638

Kolb made the motion to accept the low bid from Stephens Auto. Stevens seconded the motion and all approved.

Ordinance #424 which adopts the new State Building Code for the State of WV was presented for its first reading. Efaw made the motion to read the heading only. Kolb seconded the motion and it carried. Taylor read the heading. Fletcher made the motion to accept the first reading of Ordinance #424. Efaw seconded the motion and it carried.

Ordinance #425 was the next item on the agenda. It increases the salary of the Sanitary Board members from \$25 a meeting to \$50 since they no longer meet twice a month. Efaw made the motion to read the heading only. Stevens seconded the motion and it carried. Taylor read the heading. Kolb made the motion to accept the first reading of Ordinance #425. Stevens seconded the motion and all approved.

The final item on the agenda was securing the accounting services of Jeremy Drennen to prepare the pre-audit financial report for FY 2015-16. Efaw made the motion to accept Drennen's proposal for the fee of \$3500. Williams seconded the motion and it carried. Efaw said he would have preferred someone from our area.

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

Kolb said the old Abruzzino Mansion in Shinnston is being restored with grant funds and wondered if the same could be done with the Bowers house.

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