

## COUNCIL MEETING OF DECEMBER 5, 2016

The first regular December meeting of the Mannington City Council with Mayor James Taylor presiding was held Monday, December 5, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. Council members in attendance were Denny Efaw, Kenneth Fletcher, Charlie Kolb, Richard Stevens and Becky Williams.

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

Gary "Beanie" Leeson asked he could get the \$15 monthly municipal service charge removed from his water bill. He said he doesn't want police protection and he put up his own light. Mayor Taylor said that is a charge all residents of Mannington pay and cannot be removed. Leeson said he is done coming to the City for help because he gets no response from code enforcement or the police department.

In Department Reports, Code Enforcement Officer Anthony Horton said the Price hearing before the Board of Appeals was held and their request to open a recycling/salvage business was denied. He also said 8 building permits and two demolition permits were issued, he gave the owner of the Custard Stand building 30 days to demolish it and he donated the 2009 code books to the Mannington Library. Fletcher asked about the property at 708 Burt Street. Horton said they were in court recently and Taylor said she told him that she sold the property. Horton is to check with the Assessor's Office. Efaw asked what could be done about the litter on the banks at Rainbow Plaza. Horton will look at it.

Superintendent Ted Nice listed the jobs his men completed since the last meeting. He also said the State DOT was notified about the hole at the corner

of High & Clarksburg Streets again and he was told they are waiting on a replacement storm drain.

Chief of Police David James gave his monthly report. He said 16 citations were issued, 4 arrests were made and they received 325 calls for assistance in November.

In Old Business, the second and final reading of Ordinance #427 was the only item. Kolb made the motion to read the heading only. Williams seconded the motion and it carried. Taylor read the heading. Fletcher made the motion to adopt Ordinance #427 which amends the Employee Handbook. Stevens seconded the motion and all approved.

Taylor said he received the deed for the Water Street property purchased from Donnie & Dianna White from Attorney Phil Prichard and is waiting on the Whites to sign it. Once the deed is signed, he would like to proceed with the demolition. Efaw made the motion to authorize the bidding of the demolition of the Water Street buildings as soon as the property transfer is complete. Fletcher seconded the motion and it carried.

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

The condition of the old A&P Store on Market Street was discussed. The building has been condemned and is continuing to deteriorate.

Efaw made the motion to adjourn. Kolb seconded the motion and it carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

