

COUNCIL MEETING OF JULY 5, 2016

The first July monthly meeting of the Mannington City Council with Mayor James Taylor presiding was held Tuesday, July 5, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at city hall. Council members in attendance were 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.

In the visitors' portion of the meeting, Patrolman Andy Kolb distributed a letter to the mayor, council and city clerk addressing his recent 3-day suspension. At this point, Councilman Kolb left his chair to sit beside his son. Patrolman Kolb read the letter in which he concluded that he was wrongfully suspended and asked that his name and the record be cleared. He asked Fluharty if a vote could be taken tonight and she said no because although Kolb was on the agenda, the specific topic was not. Taylor said Kolb's request would be taken under consideration.

Sylas George asked that the road be patched in front of his parent's house on Terrace Drive. Lucas Price asked again about moving the speed bump by his house. Anjanette Basnett said Evergreen Drive needs patched also. Gary Leeson said Wesley Wheeler was home sleeping while on duty and Sgt Carol Liller was hauling cats in the city cruiser while on duty. Mayor Taylor said he would talk to the chief of police tomorrow. Reese Cup Bates said the trees hanging over the rail trail need cut because they are interfering with bicyclists. Taylor said he was also advised that Northview Road needs trimmed.

In department reports, Street & Water Superintendent Ted Nice said some of their recent jobs included paving in Clayton Addition and lower East Main Street, installing the new swing set at Hough Park, putting up new signs in Hough Addition, and landscaping around the new welcome signs. Kolb said the new Hough Park signs were very nice and much needed.

In Old Business, Fluharty said she spoke to Frontier about helping the City to get out of their Citynet contract but they were not willing to help. Taylor said the City will make the changes in May when the City's contract expires.

The first item under New Business was Coal Severance Budget Revision #1. Fluharty said the CS Fund's unencumbered balance must be revised by July 15. She said the \$2,855 surplus is normally allocated to the Street Department for rock, cinders, salt, etc. Stevens made the motion to approve the revision with the surplus funds to go to the Street Department. Kolb seconded the motion and it carried.

Taylor read the list of surplus items that Nice would like to auction. Kolb made the motion to authorize an ordinance to set up an auction. Fletcher seconded the motion and it

carried. Kolb asked about a reserve on the truck and Taylor said that would be set before the auction.

The outstanding bills were reviewed. Kolb made the motion to pay the bills as presented. Stevens seconded the motion and all approved.

Taylor said that the 4th of July was a success even though the weather was a wash-out. He said everything was moved either under the gym or upstairs. Collections for the flood donations also went well.

Fletcher made the motion to adjourn. Kolb seconded the motion and it carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.