

COUNCIL MEETING OF MARCH 16, 2015

The second regular March meeting of the Mannington City Council with Mayor James Taylor presiding was held Monday, March 16, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at city hall. Council members in attendance were Charlie Kolb, Larry Smith, Terry Starsick, Richard Stevens and Becky Williams.

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

In Department Reports, Superintendent Ted Nice reported on their work during the last two weeks and said Greer started making blacktop today. Kolb asked if he could have the City guys work on the leak at the park and Nice said he would. Chief of Police David James gave his monthly report and noted they received 102 calls for assistance. Mayor Taylor asked James to report on the condition of the Dodge cruiser. James said it has 74,000 miles on it and there are possible problems with the steering column and the air bag sensor. He said the City may be able to keep it for another year if they get those problems fixed. James plans to make an appointment at Larry's Auto Repair so that he can go over it to determine how much the repairs would be and if there are any other problems. Stevens and Starsick said the cruiser should be taken to Urse Dodge for an estimate if the problems involve the air bag and steering. Starsick added that the winter has been hard on the City streets and he would like to see more blacktopping done this summer instead of buying another cruiser. He added that the City never gets anything out of their vehicles at auction and can't afford to always rotate their vehicle purchases. James said the auction price would probably be between \$4000 and \$5000 now but would go down if it is kept another year. Councilman Stevens said if the car can be fixed for \$3000, go for it. James is to report back on the repairs needed and the estimated costs.

In Old Business, the FY 2015-16 Budgets were presented for their final reading. Kolb made the motion to adopt the General, Fire, Coal Severance and Water Fund Budgets. Williams seconded the motion and it carried.

In New Business, Mayor Taylor asked Council to proclaim April 13-18, 2015 as First Responders Week. He said the committee would like to make it an annual event to honor police, fire, and emergency personnel. A cookout will be held at Hough Park on April 18. Stevens made the motion to proclaim April 13-18 as First Responders Week. Starsick seconded the motion and it carried.

The Hach service agreement for the chlorine building was reviewed. The agreement calls for two scheduled maintenance calls per year. Smith made the motion to approve the agreement with Hach. Stevens seconded the motion and all approved.

The Neptune software/hardware maintenance agreement was the next item on the agenda. Fluharty said it would cover the meter reading equipment (wand, reader, etc.) and the software that transfers the readings to the water clerk's computer. Williams made the motion to approve the maintenance agreement with HD Supply for the Neptune equipment/software. Smith seconded the motion and it carried.

A proposal from W H Drane to update the City's code/charter books was reviewed. It has been over thirty years since they have been updated and Fluharty said the City has passed over sixty ordinances during that time. The proposal calls for six new code books plus Drane will put the code online for easy access and provide the City with a disk. The cost of the codification is \$11,400 which is to be paid in three payments. Fluharty said money has been set aside in the current year's budget and also in the FY 2015-16 budget to cover the cost. Kolb made the motion to accept Drane's proposal. Stevens seconded the motion and it carried.

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

The meeting will stand adjourned until the levy meeting is held on Tuesday, April 21, 2015.