

## **COUNCIL MEETING OF MARCH 21, 2016**

**The second regular March meeting of the Mannington City Council with Mayor James Taylor presiding was held Monday, March 21, 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 previous meeting and they stood approved as read.**

**Visitors included Mark Trach, a Democratic candidate for Marion County Assessor, who gave a brief presentation on his qualifications for the job.**

**In department reports, Code Enforcement Officer Anthony Horton said that during the period of February 21 to March 21, he issued twenty code notices and twelve building permits. He said a sign violation was issued to Mannington Shop n Save and they were given sixty days to correct the problems or apply for a new sign permit. Horton also distributed pictures of several property code violations that he has been dealing with for several months. Efaw asked why demolition notices are not posted on some of the Bluff Street properties.**

**Chief of Police David James gave his department's February report during which they issued four citations, had one arrest and received 81 calls for assistance.**

**Street & Water Superintendent Ted Nice listed the jobs his crew completed during the last two weeks. He noted that the City's backflow devices are scheduled for inspection this month.**

**Fluharty said she sent sixty-four delinquent notices to businesses who have not paid their business & occupation taxes. She also reported that she contacted several companies about the debit/credit card payment option for city hall. She said there is no fee to the City from these companies since the fees are paid by the customers. Council gave her the authority to proceed with the best offer.**

**In Old Business, the FY 2016-17 budgets were presented for the final reading. Williams made the motion to approve the FY 2016-17 General Fund, Fire Fund, Water Fund, Mead Fund and Coal Severance Fund Budgets. Stevens seconded the motion and it carried. Kolb voted no because he wanted to provide funds for a new cruiser.**

**In New Business, Taylor said the City is still waiting to hear from Citynet about their counteroffer to the one the City received from Frontier for phone/internet service.**

**The outstanding bills were reviewed. Kolb made the motion to pay the bills as the money is available. Fletcher seconded the motion and it carried.**

**Fletcher said the Fairmont is jealous of the City's new entry signs. Kolb asked about the other two entries into town. It was agreed to get quotes on similar but smaller signs for the Flaggy Meadow and Buffalo Road entrances into town.**

**Stevens asked about a minivan that was parked the wrong way on Clarksburg Street. James said no one had called him about it.**

**The meeting will stand adjourned until the meeting on Tuesday, April 19, 2016 when the levy rates will be approved.**