

COUNCIL MEETING OF MAY 1, 2017

The first regular May meeting of the Mannington City Council with Mayor James Taylor presiding was held Monday, May 1, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at city hall. Council members attending were Denny Efaw, Kenneth Fletcher, Charlie Kolb and Richard Stevens.

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

Joe Crickenberger of the USDA was present with the Letter of Conditions for the upcoming North Marion Expansion/WWTP Upgrade project. The project will consist of a \$1.4 million loan; \$820,000 in grant monies and \$620,000 from the Marion County Board of Education. He said if Council wants to proceed with the project, a resolution must be approved. Kolb made the motion to proceed with the project and to authorize the mayor to sign all necessary paperwork. Stevens seconded the motion and all approved. Mayor Taylor thanked Crickenberger for his help in securing the funding for the project.

In department reports, Superintendent Ted Nice outlined their work detail for the last two weeks. He said the GMC truck that had been at Harry Green's for repairs was back in service. They determined that the fuel was contaminated. Nice said the fuel tank is being tested now. After the recent slide on Sycamore Road, Nice said he will get quotes from contractors to clean up the rest of the slide since their equipment will not

reach it. Finally, he said Dent's Run Dam has been lowered by ten feet and they have another five feet to go by July.

Chief of Police David James gave the April report. He reported they made two arrests and received 302 calls for assistance.

In Old Business, the proposal from Frontier for phone/internet service at city hall was reviewed. The cost would be approximately \$200 per month as compared to the \$565 currently being paid. Fletcher made the motion to approve Frontier's proposal. Efav seconded the motion and it carried.

In New Business, Changeorder #1 on the Wintergarden Demolition Project was presented by Randy Watson of the Thrasher Group. He said after his discussion with the low bidder on the project, they reduced their original bid by \$25,280 by decreasing the stone tonnage, the cost of the asbestos abatement, and the costs of the building permit and b&o taxes (which were waived by the City). Plus, they require 50% of the bid before they begin to cover their expenses. Watson said once the project is started, it should be done within a week. Stevens made the motion to approve Changeorder #1. Kolb seconded the motion and it carried. Taylor said he contacted all the utilities and Mon Power agreed to move the street light.

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

Kolb reported that the lights were out on Market Street and between the downtown bridges. Nice will check on them tomorrow.

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