

COUNCIL MEETING OF NOVEMBER 21, 2016

The second regular November meeting of the Mannington City Council with Mayor James Taylor presiding was held Monday, November 21, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at city hall. Council members attending were Denny Efaw, Kenneth Fletcher, Charlie Kolb and Becky Williams.

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

Reese Cup Bates thanked the City for cleaning up some of the areas around town and for the manner in which in the recent Board of Appeals hearing was held. Bates and Sally Kolb commended Code Enforcement Officer Anthony Horton for his conduct during that hearing.

There was no old business.

In New Business, Ordinance #427 which amends the Employee Handbook was presented for council's review. The amendment adds Election Day and Columbus Day as holidays, extends the Longevity Pay for employees who work 35 or more years and brings the Compensation Time into compliance with the new federal law. Kolb made the motion to read the heading only of the proposed ordinance. Efaw seconded the motion and it carried. Fletcher made the motion to accept the first reading of Ordinance #427. Williams seconded the motion and all approved.

Taylor asked that the Christmas stipend be increased to \$300 this year. He said the money was included in this year's budget. Kolb made the motion to approve the \$300 stipend for all city employees. Fletcher seconded the motion and it carried.

Taylor recommended Gary Leeson for the final opening on the Board of Zoning Appeals. Efaw made the motion to accept the recommendation and appoint Leeson. Kolb seconded the motion and all approved.

The employee's health insurance policy with The Health Plan expires November 30, 2016 and the renewal was presented for approval. Fluharty said several other companies were contacted but none of their rates could compare with THP. The renewal rates are an increase of 9% over the current plan but Fluharty said one of the City employees has opted to waive their coverage. This will result in basically no increase in premiums for FY 2016-17. Efaw made the

motion to accept THP's renewal proposal. Kolb seconded the motion and it carried.

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

Kolb asked about the hole by Reuters on High Street. Taylor said he would have Superintendent Ted Nice contact the DOT when he returns to work on Monday.

Taylor thanked Williams for the breakfast she prepared for this year's Veterans' Day event. He said it was a success.

Kolb made the motion to adjourn. Fletcher seconded the motion and it carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.