

COUNCIL MEETING OF JANUARY 4, 2010

The first regular January meeting of the Mannington City Council with Mayor Bob Garcia presiding was held Monday, January 4, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. at city hall. Council members attending were Harry Moore, Larry Smith, Terry Starsick and Rana Taylor.

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

In the visitors' portion, Andy Kolb suggested that the city contact the WV PSC about a possible reduction in the water rates since Fairmont has received stimulus money to pay off some of their debts. Mayor Garcia said he believes Fairmont has ruled out the idea of a rate decrease but he will call the PSC.

In department reports, Garcia read the Street/Water Department report. Fluharty reported that Fairmont did adjust the city's water bill by 250,000 gallons due to the recent tank overflow.

In old business, the only item was the second and final reading of Ordinance #393 which amends the employee handbook. The mayor read the ordinance in its entirety. Smith made the motion to adopt Ordinance #393. Starsick seconded the motion and it carried.

In new business, the proposal by Thrasher Engineering to inspect the Dent's Run Dam for \$1,000 was reviewed. The inspection is required by the WVDEP. A discussion of a private club to allow fishing at Dent's Run followed. Becka Efaw said she will get the contact information for the Harry Jones Gun Club in Fairview so that the city can get an idea of the set-up for such a club. Parking, littering, and liability issues were also discussed. Starsick suggested that any further discussion be delayed until the inspection is completed on the dam. Smith made the motion to approve Thrasher's quote to do the inspection. Moore seconded the motion and all approved.

Taylor asked if any action had been taken toward the demolition of the old Longstreth building. She said according to former Mayor White, there was an asbestos report done on that building. Fluharty said she would look up the demolition proposal for that property to see if the asbestos report is mentioned.

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