

COUNCIL MEETING OF MARCH 19, 2012

The second regular March meeting of the Mannington City Council with Mayor Bob Garcia presiding was held Monday, March 19, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at city hall. Council members attending were Christina Dunigan, Larry Smith, Terry Starsick and Becky Williams.

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

In the visitors' portion of the meeting, Mark Hayes and Todd Rundle, both candidates for magistrate, asked for support in the May primary. Dunigan invited both of them to the Clean-Up Day at Hough Park on Saturday, March 24.

Planning Commission Chairman Ken Witt reported that a meeting was held last Tuesday on the proposed soup kitchen at 204 Main Street. He said the zoning regulations clearly allow such a use at that site as long as the guidelines are followed. Witt said several good questions were brought up in the meeting and he thinks those in charge of the kitchen will address those concerns. Starsick asked what the overall consensus was from those attending the Commission's meeting. Witt said most agreed that it was a worthy endeavor but the location and parking were the main issues. Starsick suggested that a parking sign be put up so that those coming to the kitchen will be directed to the lot behind the site and not use the parking lots at the area businesses. Colleen Morris said they plan to serve meals one day a week between the hours of 11 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. They will not know if they will expand the service until they see how it goes. Witt added that using the second floor for boarding or housing was also addressed at the meeting and that is not an allowable use.

Superintendent Ted Nice gave his department's work report for the last two weeks.

In Old Business, the only item on the agenda was the second reading of the FY 2012-13 budgets. Dunigan made the motion to approve the General Fund, Fire Fund, Water Fund, Mead Fund and Coal Severance Fund budgets for the next fiscal year. Starsick seconded the motion and it carried.

In New Business, Starsick made the motion to declare April as Fair Housing Month in Mannington. Smith seconded the motion and it carried.

Mayor Garcia said Region Six asked that a resolution be passed adopting the updated regionalized Hazard Mitigation Plan. Dunigan made the motion to adopt the resolution. Starsick seconded the motion and it carried.

Nice said he would like to have a laborer to help with mowing, paving, etc. for up to 40 hours per week, depending on need, from April through August. Fluharty said money was set aside in the budget for the position. Smith made the motion to advertise the seasonal position in the Street/Water Department. Dunigan seconded the motion and it carried.

Starsick made the motion to adjourn. Smith seconded the motion and it carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.