

## COUNCIL MEETING OF OCTOBER 4, 2010

The first regular October meeting of the Mannington City Council with Mayor Bob Garcia presiding was held Monday, October 4, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. at city hall. Council members in attendance were Jeff Michael, Larry Smith and Terry Starsick.

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, Brian Fortney said he was hoping Chief James would be present so that he could get an update on the recent rash of burglaries in town. Mayor Garcia said several arrests have been made and there have been no more break-ins. Fortney asked about neighborhood watches. The mayor said several sections of town have watches but there is none currently in Grandview.

Robin Smith asked if rumble strips could be placed on Meadow Avenue and she was told they would be. She also said Signs & More had a large water bill and she was told to contact Ted Nice about testing the meter.

Orie Ellen Sterling spoke on behalf of the Marion County School Bond Committee and distributed brochures. She urged everyone to read the facts and then vote. Patricia Kruza said the school board has a tax calculator on their website so voters can see how much their taxes will increase if the bond passes.

Sterling also commended the Planning Commission on the survey that was recently sent to all the city's water customers.

In department reports, Mayor Garcia read the Street & Water Department report. Fluharty said she placed last year's financial statements in council's folders for their review plus they were recently published in the newspaper.

There was no old business.

In new business, a day and time for Halloween was discussed. Smith made the motion to hold Trick or Treat on Saturday, October 30 between the hours of 6 and 7 p.m. Starsick seconded the motion and all approved.

Mayor Garcia reported that the City received the energy grant from the Governor's Office this week in the amount of \$45,500. It will fund heating and a/c for the garage and city hall annex and an a/c upgrade for city hall along with new doors and lighting.

Councilman Starsick commended the Street Department on the Monroe Street job.

Starsick made the motion to adjourn. Smith seconded the motion and all approved. The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.