

COUNCIL MEETING OF DECEMBER 16, 2013

The second regular December meeting of the Mannington City Council with Mayor Jim Taylor presiding was held Monday, December 16, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. at city hall. Council members attending were Charlie Kolb, Richard Stevens, 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.

Sabrina Haught of the Homeland Security Division of Marion County 911 distributed Files of Life to everyone and left additional files for customers who come into city hall. The files, which are to be placed on your refrigerator or at work, provide medical information for emergency personnel. She also invited the mayor and council to tour the 911 Center.

Fire Chief Jim Moran told council that his department would like to tear down the upper building on Monroe Street. He said it was built in the 1920's and is in bad shape. Moran said they are considering adding onto the lower building. Department members would do the work. Kolb asked Moran to draw up plans for council to review and Starsick said they need to see estimates too. Mayor Taylor said it would be placed on the next agenda and said Moran should return with the facts, figures, and plans. Moran said they would also like to make extra truck payments with the surplus from Fiscal Year 2012-2013. Lastly, he said they have received several complaints about parking across from the Fire Department on Monroe Street. He said it makes it difficult to get the trucks in and out. Chief of Police David James said new fire lane signs are needed. Haught said she can get the signs through Marion County 911.

Park Board member Sally Kolb thanked the City and MCPARC for helping to close the park for the season.

In department reports, Street & Water Superintendent Ted Nice accounted for their work during the last two weeks. He said they have only thirty water meters left to test. In addition, Nice said he met with the WV DOT concerning the drain problem on lower East Main Street and he is waiting to hear back from them regarding the permit to work on Route 250.

Chief James gave his November report. He said they made six arrests and received 171 calls for assistance.

In Old Business, Mayor Taylor said that the first two high bidders on the 2008 Chevrolet Blazer have backed out and the next one in line is Andrew Henry. His bid was \$2,900. Starsick made the motion to accept Henry's bid. Smith seconded the motion and all approved.

In New Business, Chief James said the part time patrolman search is still ongoing.

Copies of the WV Eyewitness Identification Policy were distributed to council. James said all police departments must have such a policy. Kolb made the motion to adopt the Eyewitness Identification Policy. Stevens seconded the motion and it carried.

Kolb made the motion to approve payment of the outstanding bills as presented. Smith seconded the motion and it carried.

Mayor Taylor reported that the last easement for the Clarksburg Street Bridge Project was handled today. The paperwork was sent to Ken Conner. He said the DOT plans to meet with the Police and Fire Departments, the MCRS and Mannington Middle School officials to discuss traffic during the bridge repairs.

Starsick made the motion to adjourn. Kolb seconded the motion and it carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.