

COUNCIL MEETING OF DECEMBER 3, 2012

The first regular December meeting of the Mannington City Council with Mayor Bob Garcia presiding was held Monday, December 3, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at city hall. Council members present were Christina Dunigan, Larry Smith, Terry Starsick, Rana Taylor 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, Sally Kolb praised Rana Taylor and Mannington Main Street for the nice Christmas parade. Mark Starsick asked about the ATV ordinance and said he did not want to see it die. Mayor Garcia said the issue is not dead at this point. Starsick then asked the City to look at the wall behind his house.

In department reports, Superintendent Ted Nice gave his account of the work his men completed in the last month. Chief of Police David James gave his November report and noted they received 103 calls for assistance during the month. Councilwoman Dunigan said vandalism at the park is still happening and she would like the chief and city clerk to work on the wording for a sign that would be placed at the park advising visitors of the closing time and the penalty for those in the park after hours. James said United Sound is to get him a proposal for cameras for the park by next week. Dunigan also said the one way sign by the football field needs removed since buses must exit the park that way.

In Old Business, the Wintergarden demolition was tabled since the specifications for the project have not been received yet.

In New Business, the first item of business was a year end stipend for the City employees. Fluharty said \$250 was put in the budget. Dunigan made the motion to give each employee a \$250 stipend. Taylor seconded the motion and all approved.

A proposal from Jayhawk Software to upgrade the current utility billing program was presented for approval. Fluharty said \$6000 was budgeted but the actual proposal came in at \$5,885. She said this is the first major upgrade in ten years. Starsick made the motion to accept the quote from Jayhawk Software to upgrade the utility billing system. Smith seconded the motion and all approved.

Ordinance #407 which would increase the municipal service charge by \$3.00 a month to pay for the Clarksburg Street Bridge project was introduced for the first reading. Dunigan made the motion to read the heading only. Starsick seconded the motion and it carried. Mayor Garcia read the heading. Starsick made the motion to accept the first reading of

Ordinance #407. Smith seconded the motion and it carried. Dunigan voted no because she wants the city to pursue additional funding to pay off the loan early. A public hearing will be held during the next council meeting.

Taylor made the motion to adjourn. Starsick seconded the motion and it carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.