

COUNCIL MEETING OF APRIL 5, 2021

The first regular monthly meeting of the Mannington City Council, with Mayor Ray Shadrick presiding, was held Monday, April 5, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. at city hall. Council members attending were Chris Efaw, Ken Fletcher and Tim Fluharty.

The minutes of the last meeting were reviewed. Efaw made the motion to approve the minutes as read. Fluharty seconded the motion and it carried.

In the visitors' section, Gary Leeson asked about the trailer above his house. Code Enforcement Officer Brent Musgrove said it will be posted on Friday. Anthony Fluharty thanked Chief Rigsby for his assistance to his delivery trucks last week. Roddy George asked about paving Terrace Drive. Mayor Shadrick told Superintendent Ted Nice to check out that street.

In Old Business, Fletcher asked if there was any word from Murray Energy about starting work on the Dent's Run Dam. Shadrick said no but he would call them again this week.

In New Business, Efaw said the Class A fire truck needs \$6,114 in parts. If the city can give them money to buy the parts, D & G Machine will do the repair work for free. Efaw had pictures of rocks in the truck's pump and he suggested the City of Fairmont should be liable. Efaw then made the motion to authorize the City to pay the parts invoice for \$6,114. Fletcher seconded the motion and it carried.

Clean Up Day was discussed. There will be two dumpsters at the collection site and no mattresses will be accepted. Fletcher made the motion to approve the Spring Clean Up Day on May 22. Fluharty seconded the motion and it carried.

The Mead Fund budget for FY 2021-22 was the next item on the agenda. Efaw made the motion to adopt the budget as presented. Fletcher seconded the motion and it carried.

The Water Fund budget for FY 2021-22 was next. Efaw made the motion to approve the budget as presented. Fletcher seconded the motion and it carried.

General Fund budget revision #4 for FY 2020-21 was reviewed. The revisions included increasing the police departments cruiser repair account, the city hall maintenance account, the Wintergarden Park account to cover the final expenses, the city's liability insurance coverage and the audit account to cover the increase in costs. The additional \$6114 previously approved for the fire trucks repairs was added to the revisions. Fletcher made the motion to approve the General Fund budget revision #4 with the modification. Fluharty seconded the motion and all approved.

Shadrick said bids are needed to purchase the flowers and cocoa liners for the downtown baskets. Efav made the motion to solicit bids for the flowers and liners for the downtown baskets with a deadline of 4:00 p.m. on April 16. Fletcher seconded the motion and it carried.

A resolution declaring April as Fair Housing Month in the City of Mannington was read by Shadrick. Fluharty made the motion to adopt the resolution. Fletcher seconded the motion and all approved.

In department reports, Code Enforcement Officer Brent Musgrove reported on various property maintenance violations and said he is going to start over with the inspection process for several fix up or tear down properties so that he has everything on file if the cases go to court. The current records are incomplete.

Superintendent Ted Nice gave his report for the last two weeks. He said the city's master meters were tested and he is going to solicit bids for paving Pottery Street so that they can be considered at the next council meeting.

Chief of Police Jim Rigsby reported that in the last 120 days, they received 278 calls for assistance and made three arrests. He also said he has received complaints about the lack of speed limit and children playing signs. His department will be hosting a class on traffic stops, ammo is needed, and Officer Sides will be attending a rifle & shotgun training class.

Fluharty said the State Auditor's Office has approved the General Fund and Coal Severance Fund budgets for FY 2021-22. The levy rates must be approved on Tuesday, April 20 so the next council meeting will be held on that date.

Mayor Shadrick said it is good to see that Councilman At Large Nelson Elliott is home and recuperating.

Rigsby said he has been approached about several ATV rides planned this summer and they asked about a one-day pass or special event pass. Shadrick said any ATV or UTV in the ride must provide proof of insurance so that motorists would be protected. It will be on the next agenda.

The outstanding bills were reviewed. Fletcher made the motion to pay the bills as listed. Fluharty seconded the motion and it carried.

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