

## COUNCIL MEETING OF APRIL 20, 2021

The 2<sup>nd</sup> monthly meeting of the Mannington City Council, with Mayor Ray Shadrick presiding, was held Tuesday, April 20, 2021, as mandated by state law, at 7:00 p.m. at city hall. Council members attending were Chris Efaw, Denny Efaw and Ken Fletcher.

The minutes of the last regular meeting were approved in a motion by Chris Efaw. Denny Efaw seconded that motion and all approved.

Several visitors were present. Gary Leeson said the junk around the trailer by his house has been there long enough. Fletcher said he would talk to the code officer about it tomorrow. Leeson also said Silas George is driving vehicles with no stickers.

Matt Bainbridge and Dave Watson from CEC, Inc said they would like to help the City with developing a plan for the stimulus money that will be coming in the next month. They were asked about using it for roads and bridges, but Bainbridge said that will probably be in the second round of funding. Sewer, water and broadband were the three items mentioned for the first round.

The first item on the agenda was the hearing on levy rates for the FY 2021-22 budget. There was no public comment. Fletcher made the motion to approve the levy rates. Chris Efaw seconded the motion and it carried.

In Old Business, the ATV/UTV ride/event to benefit the Moose Lodge was discussed. Chief of Police Jim Rigsby recommended that the organizers come to talk to City Council so that they will get the details firsthand. Shadrick said he will call the Fairview mayor to see how the recent ride went in that town.

Two quotes for the flowers in the downtown flower baskets were opened. The proposals were from Something Special for \$1,032.00 and Mountaineer Florist for \$1,717.40. The Something Special proposal did not include the cocoa baskets. The decision will be made at the next meeting.

In New Business, City Clerk Michele Fluharty presented a list of the poll workers for the June election. Chris Efaw made the motion to approve the list. Fletcher seconded the motion and it carried. Workers approved were Linda

Auxier, Jim Hayes, Joan Hayes, Phyllis Hearn, Bill Hunter, Sue Jolliffe, Rhonda Martin, Joanna Reeves, Faith Shaver, Shirley Smith, Rose Snyder, Cara Starsick, Chelsea Starsick, Betty Taylor, Sharon Wright and Tometta Yost.

Paving quotes for Pottery Street were opened next. The following were received:

C W Stickley	\$ 12,773
North Central Paving	15,788
Anderson Contracting	19,556
Vandevader Contracting	13,200

Shadrick said he and Superintendent Ted Nice recommends Vandevader Contracting since they can do the job this month. Chris Efaw made the motion to accept Vandevader's quote due to time constraints. Denny Efaw seconded the motion and it carried.

Gasoline bicycle regulations was the next item on the agenda. Shadrick said he would like to add them to the ATV/UTV ordinance. Denny Efaw asked Chief Rigsby to check the state code regulations pertaining to such bicycles and report back to council before they decide.

Fluharty presented the 2021-22 Litter Control Grant Application for council's approval. The application includes trash cans for downtown. Donna Butera said Mannington Matters and Mannington Main Street agreed to split the other half of the City's share. The City's share would be \$815. If awarded, the state would match with \$1,630.

In department reports, Fluharty said she was contacted by Karen Morris about Mannington Main Street's plans to sell Citizens' Square along with their property at the corner of Market & Water Streets. Morris donated a strip of property to Main Street with the understanding that it would be used as Citizens' Square and she is very upset that they plan to sell it. All three council members expressed reservations about the sale. Denny Efaw asked Mayor Shadrick to let Main Street know council's feelings. Chris Efaw said he hated to lose the property and suggested they donate it to the City instead of selling it.

Shadrick said he has asked the city clerk to apply to the Bowers' Grant for radar signs that can be moved throughout town.

Rigsby said they have an upcoming training class that will be attended by several area police departments. He also reported that the DEA Take Back Drugs Program will be held April 24 at the Mannington Pharmacy at Northpointe Plaza.

The outstanding bills were reviewed. Fletcher made the motion to pay the bills as presented. Denny Efaw seconded the motion and it carried.

Shadrick said he spoke to Richard Walton of Murray Energy this week about the Dent's Run Dam project and he said they have advertised for bids. Walton is to be back in touch by April 30. The projected start date for the project is June 2021. Murray Energy reps plan to attend the May 3<sup>rd</sup> council meeting with the details.

Fletcher made the motion to adjourn. Chris Efaw seconded the motion and it carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.