

COUNCIL MEETING OF JUNE 4, 2018

The first regular June meeting of the Mannington City Council with Council at Large Charles Kolb presiding was held Monday, June 4, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at city hall. Council members present were Denny Efaw, Kenneth Fletcher, Ray Shadrick and Becky Williams.

City Clerk Michele Fluharty read the minutes of the last regular meeting and they stood approved as read.

In the visitors' section, Ken Witt, chairman of the Mannington Planning Commission, advised Council that the Commission is recommending that the unopened portion of Stony Drive be abandoned, per the request by Robert & Elizabeth Shenal. A public hearing was held prior to tonight's council meeting and there were no objections. It will be on the next council meeting's agenda.

Reid Martin asked why Mannington Main Street no longer had the Yard of the Month and why they did not sponsor a farmer's market in town. Williams, who is on the Main Street Board, said she would bring up his ideas at the next meeting. Martin also said he would like to see a trip to a Pirates game be organized by the City or Main Street.

Beanie Leeson asked if the police department could help with enforcing the code that deals with people leaving grass in the street when they mow and residences with high grass/weeds. Kolb said he would talk to Chief James.

Vince Daniel asked if the rest of Pyles Avenue was going to be paved. Fluharty said it was on the list of streets to be paved that was compiled by Superintendent Nice. He also asked why the City didn't charge the big trucks running on Pyles like they do on Water Street. Shadrick said he thought there was a weight limit on city streets. Williams said it might be easier to require a road bond from the companies who are running those trucks. She said the bond is based on the value to re-pave the road.

Matthew Moore said he was interested in a job with the police department.

In Old Business, Kolb said he contacted Bill Yoho who will do the property appraisal on the former Colonial Building property.

In New Business, the appointment of Kolb as mayor was the first item of business. Shadrick made the motion to appoint Charles Kolb as the mayor to fill Jim Taylor's unexpired term. Fletcher seconded the motion and all approved.

The final General Fund budget revision for FY 2017-18 was the next item on the agenda. Williams made the motion to approve General Fund Budget Revision #4 as presented. Efaw seconded the motion and all approved.

Thrasher Engineering's updated plans for the Wintergarden Park were distributed to everyone. Fluharty asked if Council wanted to submit that project for funding to the George W

Bowers Trust and if so, how much. Efaw made the motion to approve the Bowers Trust application for the Wintergarden Park in the amount of \$50,000. Fletcher seconded the motion and it carried.

Kolb asked for a motion to go into executive session to discuss a pending litigation. Fletcher made the motion to go into executive session. Efaw seconded the motion and it carried. The time was 7:40 p.m.

Fletcher made the motion to reconvene into regular session. Shadrick seconded the motion and it carried. The time was 8:30 p.m. There was nothing to report from the executive session.

Fletcher said he would be in favor of hiring an independent attorney for court cases.

Kolb said he was approached by Bub Stout who asked that the speed bump on Grafton Street be removed. Since a petition asking for the speed bump was signed by most of the residents on that street several years ago, council said Stout would need to get the Grafton Street residents to sign a new petition asking for its removal.

Kolb asked everyone to review the Historic Southside Bridge inspection report that was received from the State DOT this week.

The outstanding bills were reviewed. Fletcher made the motion to approve the bills as presented. Williams seconded the motion and it carried.

Shadrick said he would like to either see the ATV ordinance enforced or repealed since they seem to be running wild. Efaw said he would like to see an ordinance that is fairer. He will get copies of some of the other ordinances in the county.

Efaw made the motion to adjourn. Fletcher seconded the motion and it carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.