Town of Eleanor P.O. Box 185 Eleanor, WV 25070

A regular meeting of the town council of the Town of Eleanor was held at 7:30 PM.

Present: Mayor W. F. Halstead

Recorder L. S. Casto Councilman K. Childers Councilman C. Clendenin Councilwoman T. Harmon Councilman J. McLane

Absent: Councilman J. Tolley, Jr.

Visitors: See List

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The minutes of the previous meeting was approved as presented on a motion by C. Clendenin, 2nd by T. Harmon & carried.

The liability forecast was approved for payment on a motion by K. Childers, 2nd by J. McLane & carried.

Report From Standing Committees/

The Christmas Decorating Contest was a success. Members of the Buffalo Town Council and Visionary Committee judged Eleanor for the results and they were as follows: First Place, Evan Bial, Second Place, Tom Schmader, and Third Place, Tom Sheridan. The town congratulates them. John DeMueles made beautiful ornaments to present to the winners to keep.

Sewer/ -0-

Parks/-0-

Streets/ Cam and Kevin will have measurements for the next meeting.

Police/ -0-

Report From Officers of the Town/

C. Clendenin reported that January 19th, would be the training class for our new web page.

Pictures will be taken of the town government next meeting, January 18th.

Lynda had emailed a copy of the letter from our town attorney, Tim LaFon, to all council members on joining up on the opiate law suite case and C. Clendenin made the motion to do so, 2nd. by T. Harmon, and carried. \$300.00 one time fee will be sent.

Action on Petitions / -0-

Enactment of Ordinance/ C. Clendenin wants to discuss a Bee Ordinance for the Town of Eleanor. Alan Cobb, the only bee keeper in town, would be grandfathered in for upcoming stipulations. Walt Stiltner with the Agriculture Department is willing to help with information.

Filling Vacancies in positions of Officers and Employees/-0-

Miscellaneous and Unfinished Business/

Marlane Carr was present to discuss being sent a letter from the office on B & O taxes paid on rent collected from her garage apartment. She stated that she had a barter agreement with the gentlemen staying in the apartment and does not collect rent. The recorder stated that all she had to do was sign the B & O Tax form stating that she did not charge him and sign and date it and return to the office to be taken off the list. She was told this on Monday prior to the council meeting on Thursday but wanted to Speak her opinion. She does not feel that the Town of Eleanor should collect rent from private citizens who rent out buildings. She was told that Tom Schmader, Kevin Childers, Adam Childers, June Lewis and others would like this idea, BUT paid their fair share each quarter.

She also asked permission to have the Memorial Day Service on May 26th, and was permitted on a motion by K. Childers, 2nd by J. McLane and carried.

At this time, the mayor informed councilman C. Clendenin, that he did not like his response posted on Face Book concerning the Event Schedule meeting on January 11th to discuss events for 2018 for the town. The mayor said that he already had so many meetings to head up in January and would just listen to ideas at the regular meetings if they chose to attend for this purpose in front of council who would have the final say on the event. Cam thought that a meeting was needed to talk over events that the town would like to see and then present them to council to alleviate long meetings. Some discussion followed Mayor Halstead's comment and he was asked why he had to attend the meeting. The mayor Informed Cam that he must head up all meetings and then could appoint a sub-committee.

No further business to come before council at this time, the meeting adjourned at 8:55 PM.	
Mayor	Recorder