

MINUTES
OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE MANCHESTER CITY COUNCIL

April 11, 2022

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Mike Brening

Mayor Pro Tem Judy Foster Pike

Councilmember Jimmy Dyer

Councilmember Quardez Warrior

Councilmember Nell Wilkins

STAFF PRESENT:

City Manager Mark Pullium

City Clerk Angel Fowler

City Attorney Nathan Lee

Police Chief Gray Couch

Utility Director Sam Summers

Fire Chief Ben Williams

Others present: Glen Gosa

Mayor Brening called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m. Mayor Brening gave the invocation and led the pledge of allegiance.

Motion was made to approve the agenda by Councilmember Dyer and seconded by Councilmember Warrior. Vote was unanimous with 5 ayes.

Motion was made to approve the March 14, 2022 regular meeting minutes by Councilmember Warrior and seconded by Councilmember Dyer. All approved.

Planning & Zoning Removal of Safe Building- Postpone

Appointment to Downtown Development Authority-Tabled

Appointments to Meriwether Library Board-Appoint 2 seats.

No Appearances & Public Comments.

Councilmember Warrior made the motion to award the Paving Contract to Flint Facilities Maintenance, Mayor Pro Tem Pike seconded, all approved.

Councilmember Warrior made the motion to approve the Resolution related to \$10 million revenue loss provision for American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). Mayor Pro Tem Pike seconded, all approved.

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There was discussion about Police take home car policy, the council wanted a more detailed policy and cost estimate from the chief to support taking home the cars. Tabled until a future meeting.

Mayor Brening made the motion to accept the bid for tree removal at Harmon park from Joel Martinez at the cost of \$7500.00 Councilmember Warrior seconded, all approved.

Leslie Jackson appealed her termination with the City of Manchester and her appeal was heard by the Mayor and City Council, after Ms. Jackson had presented her case and City Manager Pullium presented the city's side, Councilmember Warrior ask Ms. Jackson if the allegations were true and she said yes. Mayor Brening made the motion to uphold the City Manager Pullium decision to terminate Ms. Jackson from employment, Councilmember Warrior seconded the motion, all approved.

Mayor Brening made a motion to approve the agreement with GA DOT for the replacement and relocation of utilities located at the GA 85 Bridge replacement project. The City of Manchester will pay \$100,000.00 and GA DOT will pay \$181,486.31. Councilmember Wilkins seconded the motion, all approved.

New Business- Public Hearing will held in May for Family Dollar and Manchester Wine & Spirits alcohol applications.

Mayor Brening, Mural update should start at the end of April; April 23rd is the county wide clean up. Tangee Fuller is the first female Recreation Director. Amwaste said they only had one special pickup request and Mayor Brening said he knew this was not the case.

Councilmember Wilkins said her training was awesome. A resident built a pond for his animals and the pond overflowed and flooded the neighbor's house on Indianola.

Councilmember Warrior wanted to know where the Civic Ready was with the county, the city still having issues with the phone numbers

City Manager Pullium updated the council on the road paving, a preconstruction meeting will be held with the contractor. ARPA report is due by April 30th. The city will be receiving proposals for the roof at the gymnasium and Senior Center on April 18, 2022. City Manager is researching the potential use of a land bank to move blighted property into productive use. A meeting will held with a firm to discuss future garbage, refuse, leaf & limb and other special pick-up services. The City Manager is working on the 2023 budget and 2022 budget adjustments. All surplus vehicles have been listed on gov.deals for bids.

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No City Attorney Report

City Department: Fire Chief Williams reminded everyone the burn ban starts in May. Utility Director Sam Summers had 132 locates for the bridge replacement project.

No Executive Session

Mayor Brening made the motion to adjourn at 7:32 pm, Mayor Pro Tem Pike seconded, all approved.

Mike Brening, Mayor

Angel Fowler, City Clerk