

**MINUTES**  
**OF THE REGULAR MEETING**  
**OF THE MANCHESTER CITY COUNCIL**

**August 8, 2022, 5:00 pm**

**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  
Recreation Director Tangela Cummings

Mayor Brening called the meeting to order at 5:03 pm.

Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance given by Soloman Ferguson.

Mayor Pro Tem Pike made the motion to adopt August Agenda, Councilmember Dyer seconded, all approved.

Councilmember Dyer made the motion to adopt the July 11, 2022, minutes, Councilmember Warrior seconded, all approved.

Councilmember Warrior made the motion to adopt the July 6, 2022, work session minutes, Mayor Pro Tem Pike seconded, all approved.

Administrative – N/A

Appearances & Public Comments- N/A

Soloman Ferguson read a Proclamation where the City of Manchester has the desire to rename the Lane Street Bridge the Sergeant Eddie Thomas Terry Bridge. Sergeant Terry is the only person from Manchester that was killed in Vietnam. Sgt. Terry tried to save another soldiers life and loss his in the process. State Representative Debbie Buckner will take the proclamation before Legislation for approval.

Mayor Brening made the motion to approve the Capital Improvement Plan that was discussed at the work session on August 3, 2022, Mayor Pro Tem Pike seconded the motion, all approved.

Councilmember Warrior made the motion to adopt the Local Option Sales Tax Agreement with Meriwether County, Councilmember Dyer seconded the motion, all approved.

Mayor Brening made the motion to close account 4739 Reserve Account and 5245, 2014 SPLOST Account, Mayor Pro Tem Pike seconded the motion, all approved.

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Old Business:

Councilmember Wilkins wanted to know why an Ordinance was not on the agenda to discuss the Cigar Shop. Mayor Brening advised that he has visited a Cigar Shop in Smyrna, GA, and they did have a full kitchen which the City Ordinance requires. The councilmembers had a full discussion about the Cigar Shop at the work session on August 3<sup>rd</sup> with the owner in attendance and the council will not make any changes to the ordinance at this time. Councilmember Wilkins wanted to know if BYOB was allowed in the city.

New Business: N/A

Mayor Brening: parking lot behind the Merchants is cleaned and ready for striping. Phillip is still painting all the railing on Main Street. There will be life screening at the Community Building on August 31<sup>st</sup>, citizens 50 years & older will be \$149.00 and city employees will be \$99.00. The company gave 5 free vouchers to the senior center.

Mayor Pro Tem Pike the bridge will open in October, August 27<sup>th</sup> the football team will be honor at the President Theater. There will be a band on August 30<sup>th</sup> at the President Theater. Sad to hear of the passing of Author Stuart Woods who is from Manchester.

Councilmember Wilkins recognized Ms. May Walker one of the oldest citizens in Manchester and is presently in a nursing home and her family is currently trying to get her house repaired or a new home so she may return to Manchester and live.

Councilmember Warrior: time for football sign, he met the new Principal and Asst. Principal at Manchester High School and encouraged everyone to help and support the school.

Councilmember Dyer: N/A

City Manager Pullium: a public hearing will be held August 22<sup>nd</sup> at 5:00 to discuss the millage rate and a Special Called meeting immediately following the public hearing to adopt the millage rate. Engineering Firm will present a proposal to repair the Dam at Big Lazar Creek.

Recreational Director Tangela Cummings: the gym floor material is in and ready to be installed.

Executive Session: Mayor Brening made a motion to go into Executive Session at **6:05 to discuss personnel**, Councilmember Warrior seconded, all approved.

Mayor Brening made the motion to come out of Executive Session at **6:42 pm**, Councilmember Dyer seconded, all approved.

Mayor Brening made the motion to adjourn at 6:43 pm, Councilmember Dyer seconded, all approved.

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Mike Brening, Mayor

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Angel Fowler, City Clerk