MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MANCHESTER CITY COUNCIL June 12,2023 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 Attorney Nathan Lee Police Chief Gray Couch Utility Director Sam Summers Fire Chief Ben Williams Recreational Director Tangela Cummings

Mayor Brening called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

City Manager Pullium gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Pro Tem Pike made the motion to adopt the June 12, 2023, agenda Councilmember Dyer seconded the motion, all approved.

Mayor Brening made the motion to approve the May 8, 2023, meeting minutes, Councilmember Warrior seconded the motion, all approved.

Councilmember Dyer made the motion to approve the May 5, 2023, work session minutes, Mayor Pro Tem Pike seconded the motion, all approved.

Councilmember Warrior made the motion to approve Marathon, LLC Beer and Wine License, Councilmember Wilkins seconded the motion, all approved.

Councilmember Warrior made the motion to approve the ratification of the utility location at Bray Village, Councilmember Dyer seconded the motion, all approved.

Mayor Pro Tem Pike made the motion to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement with Meriwether County to hold the 2023 Municipal Election, Councilmember Wilkins seconded, all approved.

Councilmember Warrior made the motion to authorize the Intergovernmental Agreement with Meriwether County to start a Landbank, Councilmember Dyer seconded the motion, all approved.

The council needs an appointment to the Library Board, there are no recommendations at this time.

Jodi Sharpe, MDA Executive Director updated the council on the July 4th Celebration, there will be approximately 14 vendors, 10 Food Trucks, Helicopter rides, plane fly over and Electric Avenue Band will be playing. Everything will start at 3:00 pm and fireworks at dark.

City Manager Pullium gave the monthly Budget report.

Councilmember Warrior made the motion to accept and approve the engagement letter from Mauldin & Jenkins auditing firm. Mayor Pro Tem Pike seconded the motion, all approved.

Old Business:

Gas tanks at city field, where do we stand with County. Air Condition unit at Community Building, PO issued, waiting on parts to be shipped. Storm Water Program, nothing has been started on this program, the meeting was May 5th, the city does not have computer, software or staff. Councilmember Wilkins there are drainage problems in town. Councilmember Warrior, water rate study.

Council reports:

Mayor Pro Tem Pike upcoming concert at the President Theater is sold out.

Councilmember Wilkins updated everyone about Juneteenth Celebration Monday, June 19th from 12-6, there will be vendors and music. Thank you to the fire department for putting up the banner.

Councilmember Warrior thanked everyone involved in the Juneteenth and July 3 Celebration. Sad to hear the passing of Robert Daniel.

Mayor Comments:

Budget work session June 20th from 3 to 5, Special Called meeting at 5:00 pm. Tyler Peek with DOT will install the crosswalks on Perry Street. Blighted properties are to be assessed 7 times the ad valorem taxes. Sad to hear of the passing of Robert Daniel, former employee of Manchester and very involved in recreation.

City Manager Report:

The Judson Bulloch project has been let out for bids, not sure when the project will start. Development Regional Impact Study due by June 30, 2023.

Department Heads:

Investigator Janovsky, flock cameras have been a huge success in solving several crimes in Manchester, arrested some fugitives from Florida and Alabama. The K-9 unit is a great addition to the department. Manchester Police Department received a letter of recommendation from Meriwether County. Working with Coweta County to investigate gang activity.

Fire Chief Williams, DOT in the process of paving Perry Street and will put the crosswalks down. Update on the employee's baby which had surgery, the surgery was a success and there has been a Go-fund me account set for the family.

Recreation Director Tangela Cummings, Senior took a trip on Friday, ladies are still quilting in craft room and the seniors have the garden going.

Utility Director Sam Summers updates the council on the Tank Renovation and Maintenance.

Mayor Brening made the motion to adjourn, Councilmember Dyer seconded, all approved at 6:30 pm.