

# The City of Manchester

## MINUTES OF THE CALLED MEETING

### FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING TALBOT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OFFER FOR PAYMENT OF \$369,788.00 DUE FOR REPAIRS/IMPROVEMENTS TO THE JOINT-USE FACILITY AND TO DISCUSS THE CITY CLERK JOB DESCRIPTION

May 16, 2016 – 5:00 p.m. – Council Chamber

#### PRESENT:

Mayor Michael J. Brening  
Mayor Pro Tem Bruce S. Burt  
Council Member Pattisue Elliott  
Council Member Solomon Ferguson  
Council Member Travis L. Ferguson

City Manager, Doug Westberry  
Star Mercury Reporter John Kuykendall

With all Members of the Manchester City Council present, **Mayor Brening** brought the Called Meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

The Mayor and Members of Council discussed the Manchester-Talbot County Joint Use Facility Agreement, the payment due and the payment option of \$5,000 per month offered by Talbot County Commissioners. The City Council also discussed the 50% utility rate increase Talbot County Commissioners are planning to put into effect beginning July 1<sup>st</sup>. After this discussion, the City Council directed the City Manager to notify the Talbot County Commission that they would accept a payment program which would require paying off the \$369,788.00 in three years which would result in a \$10,277.00 monthly payment, beginning July 1, 2016. The City Council further agreed that the City Manager would give Talbot County 14 days to respond to the offer or take legal action in Superior Court. The Motion was made by **Council Member Burt**, seconded by **Council Member Travis Ferguson**, and the vote was unanimous.

At 5:50 p.m. **Council Member Travis Ferguson** made a motion, seconded by **Council Member Solomon Ferguson** to close the Open Meeting and enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel issues. The vote was unanimous.

At 6:14 p.m. **Council Member Travis Ferguson** made a motion, seconded by **Council Member Solomon Ferguson** to close the Open Meeting and close Executive Session. The vote was unanimous.

**Mayor Brening** reconvened the Open Meeting at 6:14 and stated that no votes or decisions were made during Closed Session.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to come before the Manchester City Council for this Public Hearing, **Council Member Solomon Ferguson** made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by

**Council Member Travis Ferguson.** The vote was unanimous. **Mayor Brening** declared the meeting adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Doug Westberry, acting secretary

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Mayor, Michael J. Brening

**AUTHENTICATED:**  
This 13th Day of June 2016

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City Clerk Kathy M. Storey