

MINUTES
OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE MANCHESTER CITY COUNCIL
JULY 8th, 2019 5:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Mike Brening

Councilmember Solomon Ferguson

Councilmember Travis Ferguson

Councilmember Bruce Burt

STAFF PRESENT:

City Manager Doug Westberry

City Attorney Nathan Lee

City Clerk Lea Spell

Mayor Brening called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. in City Hall. Councilmember Travis Ferguson gave the invocation and Mayor Brening led the pledge of allegiance.

Motion made by Solomon Ferguson to adopt the agenda. Motion was seconded by Travis Ferguson. Vote was unanimous with 4 ayes.

Motion made by Travis Ferguson, seconded by Solomon Ferguson to approve the June 10th, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes. Vote was unanimous with 4 ayes.

Motion made by Bruce Burt, seconded by Solomon Ferguson to approve the June 2019 Treasurer's Report. Vote was unanimous with 4 ayes.

Fire Chief Roderick Jolivette presented Firefighters Rachel Midkiff and Ryan Johnson with certificates signifying their EMT certification. Chief Jolivette explained to the Mayor and Council that many of the Manchester Fire Department members were working towards different levels of Emergency Medical Technician certifications. He further explained that the majority of the department's calls were now medical in nature.

A motion was made by Solomon Ferguson and seconded by Travis Ferguson to approve the 2019 Municipal General Election Intergovernmental Agreement with Meriwether County. Vote was unanimous with 4 ayes.

City Clerk Lea Spell presented a contract for debt recovery services by DPS Recovery. The Mayor and Council tabled the decision upon further review of the contract by the City Attorney.

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In the Mayor's comments, he expressed his appreciation to the city staff for their hard work on the July 3rd event. He also referenced the City's new Splashpad and wanted to pass along all the positive feedback that he had gotten regarding it.

City Manager Doug Westberry informed the Mayor, Council and audience of the recent theft of water service at an address in Manchester. He noted that theft of city services is not only prosecutable by Manchester ordinance but it is also violates state law.

Also discussed was the upcoming TSPLOST vote. Mr. Westberry described the purposes of the tax as well as the ways in which revenue would be generated. He urged local officials to spread the word to their constituents and encourage voting yes on the tax.

Motion made by Travis Ferguson and seconded by Solomon Ferguson to adjourn at 5:53 PM. Vote was unanimous.

City Clerk Lea Spell

Mayor Michael J. Brening