

MINUTES
OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE MANCHESTER CITY COUNCIL
November 21, 2023
5:00 pm

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Mike Brening
Councilmember Jimmy Dyer
Councilmember Quardez Warrior

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.

Fire Chief Ben Williams gave the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilmember Warrior made the motion to approve the agenda, Councilmember Dyer seconded, all approved.

Ms. Judy Foster Pike former Mayor Pro-Tem and Tracy Stevens former Recreation employee; the families were presented with Flags in a shadow box that flew the day of their Funeral.

Councilmember Warrior made the motion to approve the October 4, 2023, work session minutes, Councilmember Dyer seconded the motion, all approved.

Councilmember Dyer made the motion to approve the October 9, 2023, regular session minutes, Councilmember Warrior seconded the motion, all approved.

Administrative Appointments:

Mayor Brening made the motion to appoint Quardez Warrior as Mayor Pro-Tem, Councilmember Dyer seconded the motion, all approved.

Mayor Brening made the motion to add Quardez Warrior as a bank signatory for all accounts, Councilmember Dyer seconded the motion, all approved.

Mayor Brening made the motion to call for a special election to fill the unexpired term of Judy Foster Pike, Councilmember Dyer seconded, all approved.

Councilmember Warrior made the motion to approve Family Dollar Store Alcohol license that will begin in 2024, Councilmember Dyer seconded, all approved.

Mayor Brening made the motion to approve the contract with American Tank for the Mayes Way tank, Councilmember Warrior seconded the motion, all approved.

Mayor Brening made the motion to Award the American Rescue Plan Act Contract to Turnipseed Engineering of construction observation and Engineering Services, Councilmember Dyer seconded, all approved.

Councilmember Warrior made the motion to approve the Resolution Authorizing the GEFA Loan and the GEFA Loan Documents, Councilmember Dyer seconded the motion, all approved.

Agreements:

Councilmember Warrior made the motion to approve the Animal Control Intergovernmental Agreement with Meriwether County, Councilmember Dyer seconded the motion, all approved.

The city had requested \$200,000- and 12-month Recreation agreement with the county, but the county countered with \$150,000- and 12-month agreement. The council decided to decline the County's offer and keep everything in the city and City Manager Pullium will adjust the budget accordingly.

Mayor Brening made the motion to approve the 2024 Holiday Schedule, Councilmember Dyer seconded the motion, all approved.

No Old Business

New Business:

City Manager Pullium will have a report and update in December on the Community Building.

Mayor Report:

Bray Senior Center project is moving forward and should have residents living there in 2024.

Crosswalks are finally painted on Perry Street

Christmas Lunch for employees will be December 6, 2023, at the Callaway Building.

Manchester Football Team will be leaving Friday, November 24 at 11:00 for the state playoffs, would like a police escort through town that day.

Department Heads:

Recreation Director Tangee Cummings

Senior Center:

Nov 8th Seniors went to Helen, GA for a day trip.

Nov 17th Three Rivers held a food Coalition meeting at the Senior Center and Senior had their Thanksgiving Dinner.

Dec 5th Pinecone Decoration class.

Dec 8th Pajama & movie day.

Dec 12th Wreath Decoration class.

Dec 14th Candy Apple Bar.

Dec 15th Christmas Lunch in Greenville @11:00 and Senior Christmas Party 3-6 pm.

Recreation:

Flag & Tackle football league finished their season with 145 participants, Flag, had 4 teams and 1 cheer, tackle had 4 teams and 2 cheers. Two teams, the 6u and 7u played in the championship game at Whitewater High School and both teams finished in 2nd place.

Soccer league finished their season last Thursday with 86 participants.

Final week of basketball registration, Drafts will begin December 4th.

We applied for a grant from the Atlanta Hawks Partnership.

Have submitted a bid to hold the 12u state basketball tournament here in Manchester.
Christmas Parade is December 7th at 6:30 pm, line up is at 6:00 pm

Mayor Brening made the motion to go into Executive Session for Potential Litigation, Councilmember Warrior seconded the motion, all approved. 6:15 pm

Councilmember Warrior made the motion to come out of Executive Session, Mayor Brening seconded, all approved. 6:39 pm

No vote was taken.

Councilmember Warrior made the motion to adjourn the meeting, Councilmember Dyer seconded, all approved.