City of Mansfield

AGENDA

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- 1. Call to Order: Mayor Jefferson Riley
- II. Agenda Revisions and Approval: Mayor Jefferson Riley B. Hale motioned to revise, L. Dunn gave the 2nd, Motion to revise passed unanimously / P. Lunsford motioned to approve as revised, C. Fulmer gave the 2nd, Motion to approve revised agenda passed unanimously
- III. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance: Councilman Chris Fulmer
- IV. Mayor's Welcome and Comments: Mayor Jefferson Riley
 - a. Mayor's Special Recognitions
 - i. Daniel Wilson City of Covington Power Department
 - ii. Jody Nolan Newton County Emergency Management Agency
 - iii. Lisa Dunn City of Mansfield Councilwoman Post #4
 - iv. Chris Fulmer City of Mansfield Councilman Post #3
- V. <u>Citizen's Comments on Agenda: Limited to Agenda Items and Residents only for 5 minutes each</u>
- VI. <u>Newton County Sheriff's Office:</u> Community Update
- VII. Approval of Minutes:
 - a. October 9, 2017 Council Meeting Minutes P. Lunsford motioned to approve,
 C. Fulmer gave the 2nd, Motion to approve passed unanimously
- VIII. New Business:
 - a. MEAG Municipal Competitive Trust declarations for 2018 C. Fulmer (M), B. Hale (2nd), Passed Unanimously
 - MEAG Voluntary Deposits into Municipal Competitive Trust for 2018 C. Fulmer
 (M), B. Hale (2nd), Passed Unanimously
 - Vote to purchase Chipper Truck, Chipper, and Leaf Vacuum from the City of Porterdale for \$2,500 plus hanging and removing their Christmas decorations – B. Hale (M), P. Lunsford (2nd), Passed Unanimously
 - **d.** Town Hall Meeting, December 11th, 6 7 pm P. Lunsford (M), B. Hale (2nd), Passed Unanimously
 - IX. Adjournment

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PRESENT: Jefferson Riley, Perry Lunsford, Bryan Hale, Chris Fulmer, Lisa Dunn, Helen Robertson

OTHERS PRESENT: Ashlan Troutman, Bret Dunn, Cathy Farmer, Elsie Smith, Gregg & Vicki Cowan, Daniel & Ashley Wilson and family, Deborah Riley, Jody Nolan, John Napoli, Miranda Hale, Walter Tuggle, Blair Northen and son, Paul & Brenda Campbell

The honorable-mayor Jefferson R. Riley called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and asked Council to approve the agenda. Councilman Bryan Hale made a Motion to revise the Agenda to include VIII New Business Item d. Town Hall Meeting. Councilwoman Lisa Dunn gave the Second. There was a brief discussion on what the topics of the Town Hall meeting would be. Councilman Bryan Hale answered, budget and Harris Building. Councilwoman Lisa Dunn said the City Center Project. The honorable-mayor Jefferson Riley asked if all council would be present and all council responded 'yes'. All Council voted in favor of the motion. The Motion passed unanimously.

Immediately, Mayor-pro Tem Perry Lunsford made a Motion to approve the Agenda as revised. Councilman Chris Fulmer gave the Second. All Council voted 'aye'. The Motion passed unanimously.

Councilman Chris Fulmer gave the invocation and lead everyone in the pledge.

The honorable-mayor Jefferson Riley welcomed everyone to the council meeting and explained that the meeting was also a special occasion. The City was going to recognize 2 people who went above and beyond to help the City back in April when the tornado hit, as well as recognizing the 2 councilmembers who will be leaving in December. He also reminded everyone that immediately after the December 11th Council Meeting the 2 new councilmembers will be installed.

The honorable-mayor began the Special Recognitions with Mr. Daniel Wilson of the City of Covington Power Department. He explained how Mr. Wilson directed several men from several different power companies, like an orchestra, to put back together the damage caused to the City's powerlines back in April when the tornado hit Mansfield. He presented Mr. Wilson with a crystal award that said, 'City of Mansfield, Georgia – Outstanding Public Service'. Mr. Wilson said, 'thank you, I will do it again, anytime the City needs me'.

The honorable-mayor Jefferson Riley continued the special program by recognizing Newton County's Emergency Management Agency's Director, Mr. Jody Nolan. He explained that also in April when the tornado hit, Mr. Nolan called him on the telephone and commented that if the

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mayor declared an emergency, he would be there to take care of things and he absolutely was, with an army of people who worked tirelessly all night long. Mr. Nolan continued to help for several weeks after the storm as well. The honorable-mayor Jefferson Riley presented Mr. Nolan with a crystal award for Outstanding Public Service as well.

Councilwoman Lisa Dunn was presented a crystal award for her six years of service on the City Council. The honorable-mayor Jefferson Riley said, 'the City was blessed to have a councilwoman so strong and thank you for your many years of service and hope we will continue to see you here from time to time'.

Councilman Chris Fulmer was also presented with a crystal award for his service on Council. The honorable-mayor Jefferson Riley commented that 'Chris is a rock, an outstanding man. We are all here to serve our community and the City is blessed to have people like Chris'.

All the awards presented tonight were donated by Jefferson Riley, there was no expense to the City.

Mr. Blair Northen, 3800 Hwy 213, commented that he was hoping for a town hall meeting with opened ended questions and unrelated topics.

Mrs. Brenda Campbell, 3809 Hwy 213, said in the past we see people come and go. You are still a citizen and hope you continue to come to the meetings.

Mayor-pro Tem Perry Lunsford made the Motion to approve the October 9, 2017 Council Meeting Minutes. Councilman Chris Fulmer gave the Second. All Council voted 'aye'. The Motion Passed.

Councilman Chris Fulmer made the Motion to approve the MEAG Municipal Competitive Trust declarations for 2018 the same as they have been declared in the past. Councilman Bryan Hale gave the Second. All Council voted 'aye'. The Motion Passed.

Councilman Chris Fulmer made the Motion to approve the MEAG Voluntary Deposits into Municipal Competitive Trust for 2018 the same as they have been declared in the past. Councilman Bryan Hale gave the Second. All Council voted 'aye'. The Motion Passed.

Councilman Bryan Hale made the Motion to purchase a Chipper Truck, Chipper, and a Leaf Vacuum from the City of Porterdale for \$2,500 plus hanging and removing their Christmas decorations. Mayor-pro Tem Perry Lunsford gave the Second. There was a brief discussion and all Council voted 'aye'. The Motion Passed.

Mayor-pro Tem Perry Lunsford made the Motion to call a Town Hall meeting on December 11, 2017 from 6 – 7 pm with subjects to discuss. Councilman Bryan Hale gave the Second. There was much discussion on what the subjects to discuss would be. Councilman Bryan Hale said Budget and Harris Building. Councilwoman Lisa Dunn added the City Center project and wanted the meeting to be left for open discussion. Mayor-pro Tem Perry Lunsford commented

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that there had to be subjects to discuss.

After several more minutes of discussion, mayor-pro tem Perry Lunsford Motioned to Call the Question. Councilman Bryan Hale gave the Second and all Council voted 'aye'. The Motion to Call the Question Passed.

Immediately, mayor-pro tem Perry Lunsford amended his original Motion. The amended Motion was to call a Town Hall meeting on December 11, 2017 from 6-7 pm to discuss the Budget, the City Center Project, and the Harris (Mural) Building and an Open Forum with time permitting. Councilwoman Lisa Dunn gave the Second. All Council voted 'aye'. The Motion Passed.

Jefferson Riley, Mayor

ABSENT

Perry Lunsford, Mayor-Pro Tem, Post 1

Lisa Dunn, Post 4

Bryan Hale Post 5