## City of Mansfield

### **AGENDA**

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- I. <u>Call to Order:</u> Mayor Jefferson Riley
- II. Agenda Revisions and Approval Revised 4/1 (Perry Lunsford)
- III. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Mayor's Welcome and Comments: Mayor Jefferson Riley
  - a. Chlorine Leak Detector has been installed
  - **b.** City of Monticello helped up get a tree limb off the power line on 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue this morning a few houses were without power for about 3 hours
  - c. The Service Electric Company invoice for Hurricane Irma power restoration is \$19,839.04 (Irma hit on September 11<sup>th</sup>/date of service was September 12<sup>th</sup>)
  - d. City Center Advertisement for Bid appeared in Sunday's paper, October 8<sup>th</sup> and will run again on Sunday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> with a Bid Opening date of Monday, November 6<sup>th</sup> @ 11:00 am.
- V. <u>Citizen's Comments on Agenda:</u> Limited to Agenda Items and Residents only for 5 minutes each
- VI. Newton County Sheriff's Office: Community Update
- VII. Approval of Minutes:
  - September 18, 2017 Council Meeting Minutes Approved 4/0 (Chris Fulmer abstained)
- VIII. New Business:
  - a. Call for comments in favor of Bryan Hale Variance Request None
  - b. Call for comments in opposition of Bryan Hale Variance Request None
  - c. Vote on Bryan Hale Variance Request 4/0 (Bryan Hale abstained)
  - Vote to name the Town Clerk of Newborn the back-up Election Superintendent for the City of Mansfield – 5/0
  - e. Vote on Adamson Grading bid proposal for the demolition of the Old City Barn i/a/o \$9,560. Tabled 5/0
  - f. Harris (Mural) Building Discussion
  - g. Work Session & Council Meeting Times
  - IX. Adjournment

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Ashlan Troutman, Bret Dunn, Linda Lunsford, Cathy Farmer, Blair Northen, Paul & Brenda Campbell, David NaDell, Todd Hilton, Miranda Hale, Jody Nolan, Elsie Smith, Walter Tuggle, Jason & Brooke Jolley, Connie & Brian Moore

The honorable-mayor Jefferson Riley called the meeting to order at 6:34. He immediately asked for a Motion on the Agenda. Councilwoman Lisa Dunn made a Motion to revise the Agenda to add New Business Item f. Discussion on the Harris (Mural) Building. Councilman Bryan Hale gave the Second. The vote was 4/1 with Mayor-pro Tem Perry Lunsford casting a 'nay' vote. The Motion Passed and the Agenda was revised. The honorable-mayor Jefferson Riley also requested adding New Business Item g. Meeting Times. Councilwoman Lisa Dunn made the Motion and Councilwoman Helen Robertson gave the Second. The Motion Passed 5/0.

The honorable-mayor Jefferson Riley asked Pastor Todd Hilton of Mansfield Methodist Church to give the invocation. Pastor Hilton gave a beautiful prayer for the City and its residents, also asking for wisdom in decision making for the Mayor and Council.

The honorable-mayor welcomed everyone and introduced Mr. Jody Nolan, the Newton County EMA Manager. Mr. Nolan shared a short explanation of how the Presidential Declarations regarding hurricane Irma affected our City's storm debris clean-up. The honorable-mayor Jefferson Riley then read the Mayor's comments a. – d. on the Agenda.

Moving to item V. Citizen's Comments on Agenda the honorable-mayor pointed out a correction based on the City's Charter which states that residents can speak for a maximum of 5 minutes each per resident on agenda items. He then opened the meeting to Citizen's Comments.

Mrs. Brenda Campbell, 3809 Hwy 213, commented that the Mural building the City purchased was not making money sitting empty.

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Mr. Blair Northen, 3800 Hwy 213, commented on the City Center Project saying, 'it is nice but as far as improving life for the residents, he did not see it'.

Mr. Paul Campbell, 3809 Hwy 213, requested the City's savings balance and asked what the City Center offered the citizens. Mr. Campbell did not see a benefit to the project.

Deputy Edwards of the Newton County Sheriff's Office was present to give the City's crime report. Deputy Edwards stated that she had nothing to report and asked everyone present if there was a concern she could take back to the Sheriff. The honorable-mayor Jefferson Riley said he had a concern regarding an incident that happened on a Friday evening that took about 30 minutes for the deputy to respond too. During that time the issue was cleaned up. The mayor asked the responding deputy to speak to the resident but the deputy refused. Deputy Edwards said she would pass the information on to the Sheriff. Concerns were also voiced from several of the residents in attendance about excessive speeding in the City.

The honorable-mayor-pro tem Perry Lunsford made the Motion to approve the September 18, 2017 Council Meeting Minutes. Councilman Bryan Hale gave the Second. The Motion Passed 4/0 with Councilman Chris Fulmer abstaining because he was absent for that meeting.

At-this-time, the honorable-mayor Jefferson Riley explained the Bryan Hale Variance Request, commenting that the property size meets the City's Ordinances, however, the house size did not. The City's Ordinance requires a Minimum Heated Living Area of 1,800 sqft. for a Conservative Residential (CR) parcel but Mr. Hale would like to build a 1,664 sqft. home. The honorable-mayor also reminded Councilman Hale that he would have to excuse himself from the vote and asked for a Motion to move into the Public Hearing.

Councilwoman Lisa Dunn made the Motion to begin the Public Hearing. Councilman Chris Fulmer gave the Second. With no discussion, everyone voted 'aye'. The Motion Passed. 4/0 (Did not include Councilman Hale's vote)

#### BEGIN PUBLIC HEARING

The honorable-mayor Jefferson Riley called for comments in favor of the variance request. There were none.

The honorable-mayor Jefferson Riley called for comments in opposition of the variance request. There were none.

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The honorable-mayor-pro tem Perry Lunsford made the Motion to move out of the Public Hearing. Councilwoman Lisa Dunn gave the Second. With no discussion, everyone voted 'aye'. The Motion Passed. 4/o (Did not include Councilman Hale's vote)

### END PUBLIC HEARING

The honorable-mayor-pro tem Perry Lunsford made the Motion to approve the Bryan Hale Variance request. Councilwoman Helen Robertson gave the Second. With no discussion, Councilman Hale excused himself from the vote. The Motion Passed. 4/0

Again, the honorable-mayor-pro tem Perry Lunsford made the Motion to name the Town Clerk of Newborn the back-up Election Superintendent for the City of Mansfield. Councilwoman Helen Robertson gave the Second. With no discussion, all present voted 'aye'. The Motion Passed. 5/0

Councilman Chris Fulmer made a Motion to table item VIII. New Business e. Vote on Adamson Grading bid proposal for the demolition of the Old City Barn i/a/o \$9,560 until the next regular council meeting. Councilman Bryan Hale gave the Second. With no discussion, all present voted 'aye'. The Motion Passed. 5/0

A brief discussion about the council's meeting times took place with the honorable-mayor-pro tem Perry Lunsford making a point of order that NO Motion keeps everything the way it is. The honorable-mayor Jefferson Riley summarized the discussion stating the Work Sessions will continue to be held on the Thursday evening at 7:00 pm before the Regular Council Meetings on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday at 7:00 pm every month.

Another brief discussion regarding the Harris (Mural) building and what the City would like to do with it transpired. The general agreement was the need to review the City's existing ordinances and make any necessary changes to protect the City's interests and the mural painted on it. It was agreed to ask the City's attorney how to move forward with this. It was suggested that the Brickstore Overlay covenants, that the County has in place, be considered.

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Before the meeting adjourned, the honorable-mayor Jefferson Riley asked if anyone would like to say anything. Mrs. Connie Moore, 161 Lloyd Rd and Mr. Jason Jolley, 131 Lloyd Rd added their concern for the speeding taking place on Lloyd Rd since it has been re-surfaced. They both requested a speed hump be put down to help with this problem.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 pm.

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