## City of Mansfield

## AGENDA

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- I. <u>Call to Order:</u>
- II. Agenda Approval:
- III. <u>Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance:</u>
- IV. <u>Citizen's Comments on Agenda:</u> Limited to Agenda Items only for 5 minutes each
- V. Newton County Sheriff Report: Deputy Michael Gregg
- VI. Approval of Minutes:
  - a. June 10, 2019 FY2019 2020 Public Hearing Minutes
  - b. June 17, 2019 Special Called Meeting Minutes
  - c. July 8, 2019 Council Meeting Minutes
- VII. New Business:
  - a. Approve extending the part time position thru Sept 9
  - b. Approve Hwy 213 sidewalk repair contractor
  - c. Dale Shirley on Laser Shot Training System
- VIII. <u>Citizen's Comments on Non-Agenda Items:</u> Limited to 5 minutes each
- IX. Adjournment:

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PRESENT: GW Davis Jr, Perry Lunsford, Blair Northen, Austin Mitchell, Helen Robertson

ABSENT: Bryan Hale

OTHERS PRESENT: Paul & Brenda Campbell, Vicki & Greg Cowan, Willie Belcher, Jeb & April Beasley, Mary Ann Davis, Kory Wilson, Ashley Hollingsworth, David NaDell, Walter Tuggle, Elsie Smith, Ken Whitehead, Dale Shirley, Ezel Brown, Michael Gregg

The Honorable Mayor GW Davis Jr called the meeting to order at 7pm. Mayor Pro Tem Perry Lunsford made the motion to approve the agenda and Councilman Blair Northen gave the second. All Council present voted 'aye'. The motion passed 4/0.

Mr Willie Belcher, 680 Kellogg Ave, gave a beautiful invocation and the honorable Mayor GW Davis Jr lead in the pledge.

There were no citizen comments.

Mayor Davis asked everyone present to let him know if they would be willing to pray and he would get them into the rotation. He then asked Sheriff Ezel Brown if he had anything he would like to share. Sheriff Brown said that Deputy Gregg was not present because he was out running radar and issuing a citation to someone speeding through Mansfield. Sheriff Brown gave an update on the new precinct saying that a lot of training will happen when the facility is open. The Sheriff wants to wait until the City Center project is complete before they do a grand opening celebration. He would also like the celebration to include the Town of Newborn and the Board of Commissioners. The honorable mayor GW Davis Jr stated that Mayor Elwanger of Newborn was anticipating the celebration as well.

The Honorable Mayor Pro Tempore Perry Lunsford made the motion to approve the June 10, 2019 FY2019 – 2020 Public Hearing Minutes, the June 17, 2019 Special Called Meeting Minutes, and the July 8, 2019 Council Meeting Minutes. Councilman Austin Mitchell gave the second. All Council present voted 'aye'. The motion passed 4/0.

The Honorable Mayor GW Davis Jr asked the council for a motion to approve extending the part time position of Jacob Freeman through to September 9, 2019. The next council meeting. He explained that there are still several powerlines to maintain and a great deal of mowing yet to do and this is his recommendation. Councilman Austin Mitchell made the motion and Mayor Pro Tempore Perry Lunsford gave the second. Councilman Blair Northen commented that only because it was the mayor's

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recommendation that he will vote yes but otherwise he would vote no. Councilman Northen also emphasized that this is only until September 9. Mayor Davis asked that anyone watching the city workers to be graceful. He commented that the heat levels are very dangerous right now and that he has instructed them to keep hydrated and take breaks. He then asked for a vote on the motion. All Council present voted 'aye'. The motion passed 4/0.

The Honorable Mayor GW Davis Jr stated that the city now has the three bids required to vote and approve a contractor to repair the sidewalks along Highway 213 East of Hwy 11. He shared that the 3 bids are as follows: Ricky Bruce General Contractors i/a/o \$8,883; East Metro Concrete i/a/o \$9,150; and G.A.C. Construction Inc i/a/o \$38,850. He explained that G.A.C. bid on replacing the whole sidewalk, not just the places that needed the repair. The mayor also explained that Ricky Bruce is the contractor on the City Center project and is very far behind. For those two reasons and with a difference of only \$267, his recommendation was to award the contract to East Metro Concrete who can complete the sidewalk repairs, weather permitting, in about 3 weeks. This is 2 weeks out from existing work and about 1 week to do the repairs. Mayor pro tempore Perry Lunsford made the motion to award the Hwy 213 sidewalk repair contract to East Metro Concrete i/a/o \$9,150. Councilman Helen Robertson gave the second. Councilman Blair Northen expressed again the reason they are choosing this contractor is to get the sidewalks done in a timely fashion. All Council present voted 'aye'. The motion passed 4/0.

At this time the Honorable Mayor GW Davis Jr asked Sergeant Dale Shirley to explain the new Laser Shot Training the NC Sheriff's Department would like to install at the new precinct in Mansfield. Sergeant Shirley explained that since starting the precinct it gave them the opportunity to expand training. There is Defensive Tactic Training once or twice a month and now the sheriff would like to add Laser Shot training to the precinct. There is a perfect room, in the building the county is using in Mansfield at 21 W First Street, to house the high-tech and expensive equipment. This training technique allows deputies to train in real time, to work through different situations, sometimes talking not always shooting, helping deputies to know when and when not to use force. Sergeant Shirley commented that this training will bring a noticeable police presence to the area as well as financial support when they break for lunch, etc. He also shared that he wants to ask to make this location a pre-academy training facility as well. When asked why there is limited access by the city to enter into the building, Sergeant Shirley explained that they are required to lock this equipment and information away from everybody because of the sensitive criminal information it contained, however, someone from the city would have access and that he is always available to give access, if needed. The honorable mayor GW Davis Jr thanked Sergeant Shirley for his service and presence at the meeting.

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There were no citizen comments on non-agenda items.

Mayor Pro Tempore Perry Lunsford made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Blair Northen gave the second. All Council present vote 'aye'. The motion passed 4/0.

The meeting adjourned at 7:20PM.

GW Bavis Jr, Mayor

Perry Lunsford, Post 1

Helen Robertson, Post 2

Blair Northen, Post 3

Austin Mitchell, Post 4

Bryan Hale, Post 5