

City of Mansfield

Council Meeting Minutes

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May 13, 2024 – 7:00 p.m.
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PRESENT: Blair Northen, Helen Robertson, Brandon Hays, Fred Purvis and Scott Colyn

OTHERS: Walter Tuggle, Elsie Smith, Martisha Boyd, Vicki & Scott Cowan and Crystal Smallwood

Mayor Northen called the meeting to order at 7:00PM. Mayor Pro Tem, Fred Purvis gave the invocation. Mayor Northen then led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Northen presented the agenda and asked for an amendment to add Mayor's comments. Purvis moved to make a motion to accept the agenda with amendment, Councilman Scott Colyn seconded the motion. No discussion. All in favor.

Mayor Northen presented the minutes from April 15, 2024. Purvis moved to make a motion to accept minutes with one minor change regarding the LRA funds, changing a word from decided to recommend. Colyn seconded the motion. No discussion. All in favor.

No citizen comments on agenda items.

Old business:

Mayor Northen presented the Code Enforcement ordinance for the third (3rd) reading. Purvis moved to make a motion to adopt the Code Enforcement ordinance as presented. Councilman, Brandon Hays seconded the motion. No further discussion. All in favor

New Business:

Mayor Northen advised the council he would be working on the 24-25 FY budget and would have it ready for a public hearing June 3rd at 6:30 just before the work session. No action needed.

Mayor Northen stated the need to have the zoning map updated. The city has 3-4 areas that are zoned commercial but have residents living in those areas. He mentioned the city sold the Harris building knowing the new owner had plans for lofts, so the zoning just needed to reflect the use. He asked for permission to seek legal counsel as this would be a significant cost to the city. Purvis moved to a motion to proceed with rezoning. Colyn seconded the motion Councilman, Helen Robertson asked if this needed to be brought before the zoning board. The vote was 3/1 with Roberston abstaining. Mayor Northen wanted her to be clear of the process, so it was opened back up for discussion to explain this was not voting to change the zoning without planning and zoning but just giving him permission to start the process. Purvis moved to modify the motion to add after the process has begun it would then go to Planning and zoning then brought back to the council for a vote. Colyn seconded the motion. All in favor

Mayor Northen spoke briefly about the Christmas celebration. There is a need to increase the budget to 3000.00. This will be added to the 24-25 FY budget. No action taken.

Mayor Northen advised the council of the EPD violation received due to ground water getting into the sewer plant. Tim Thompson and Scottie Croy have located possible areas. A company was contacted, and they have a \$650 minimum and .95 per foot after the minimum. Mayor spoke with Tim Thompson and the 650.00 is roughly the service call and after measuring he is recommending 4000 ft. Purvis moved to make a motion to proceed with \$4500.00 for the inspection. Colyn seconded the motion. Mayor advised the council if left alone it could be up to 10,000 per violation. No further discussion. All in favor.

Mayor discussed the concern of speeding vehicles on Kellogg St and asked Brandon Hays to explain the need for a stop sign. Hays explained adding a stop sign, the vehicles would stop to make a turn onto Hardman instead of turning at a faster rate. It would also slow the speed on Kellogg. Hays made a motion to make Kellogg and Hardman a 3-way by adding stop signs on Kellogg. Purvis seconded the motion. No discussion. All in favor

Mayor Northen discussed the potential use of the sprayer in the barn by spraying for mosquitos. Not enough information was available and would be discussed later. No action needed.

Mayor Northen advised the council of the bid opening of the long-awaited sewer plant on May 28th at 2:00pm. He encouraged everyone to be in attendance. No action needed.

Mayor Northen presented a quote for a 37.5 kv pad mount for \$3500.00. Purvis moved to a motion to bid as presented. Colyn seconded. No discussion. All in favor

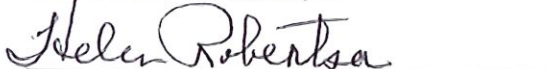
Mayor Northen recommended tabling the sale of the fire truck and leaf vacuum. After discussion, Hays moved to make a motion to list the fire truck and vacuum on gov deals. Purvis seconded the motion. No discussion. All in favor.

No citizen comments.


Mayor Northen thanked everyone for attending the meeting. He also wanted to advise the citizens in attendance that the fire truck in discussion was not the antique fire truck but the Ford that was housed at the city barn. He also wanted to follow up on questions that were asked at the last meeting. Although questions and answers are not allowed in an open meeting he did want to follow up with accurate information. The annual LMIG allocation is based on the total centerline road miles for each local road system and the total population of each county or city as compared with the total statewide centerline road miles and total statewide population. GDOT sent a letter that he read in its entirety. The city of Mansfield ownership of centerline miles which include both paved and unpaved roads is 7.3 miles.


No further business to discuss. Colyn moved to make a motion to adjourn at 7:34. Hays seconded the motion. All in favor.


Blair H Northen, III, Mayor


Helen Robertson, Post 2


Brandon Hays, Post 3


Scott Colyn, Post 4


Fred Purvis, Post 5