

**City of Mansfield**  
**MINUTES OF *REGULAR* PUBLIC MEETING**  
**July 9, 2018**

The Board of Aldermen met in *regular* session on **July 9th**, in Mansfield City Hall located at 705 Polk Street. Mayor John Mayweather, Sr. called the meeting to order at **4:30 p.m.**, after which an Invocation was offered by **Alderman Mitchell L. Lewis**. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by **Alderman Kervin D. Campbell**. Following the pledge, the roll call was suspended. However, the following officials were recorded as **Present**: Hon. John Mayweather, Sr., - **Mayor**, Mary L. Green –District **A**, Mitchell L. Lewis –District **C**, and Kervin D. Campbell – District **E**. **Absent**: Christopher S. Thomas –District **B** and Joseph Hall, Jr. –District **D**. **Other City Personnel Present**: Gwen Jones (Deputy Clerk), Brian Phillips (Court Clerk), Gary Hobbs (Mansfield Police Chief) and James “Jim” Ruffin (Public Works Director). **Others Present**: A. J. Williams, Jr., Harmon “Tripp” Dungan (CLECO), James Eli (CLECO), Jerry D. Jones, and Chassidy Robinson. **Press Present**: Martha Rivers (*Mansfield Enterprise & Interstate Progress*).

It was MOTIONED by **KERVIN D. CAMPBELL** and SECONDED by **MITCHELL L. LEWIS** to approve the minutes of the **June 25, 2018 *regular*** City Council meeting and to dispense with the reading. Motion Passed Unanimously.

It was MOTIONED by **MITCHELL L. LEWIS** and SECONDED by **KERVIN D. CAMPBELL** to approve the minutes of the **June 29, 2018 *special*** City Council meeting and to dispense with the reading. Motion Passed Unanimously.

The City Clerk next opened the floor to hear public comments from those in attendance to any item outlined on the meeting agenda. When none were offered from the floor, the **Public Comments Period** was then subsequently closed.

**Old Business:**

**Item A:** A public hearing was conducted to hear and discuss any comments related to the adoption of proposed **Ordinance No. 4 of 2018**, drafted to rezone property municipally known as **1114 Pegues Street** from and R-1 District (Single-Family Residence District) to an R-2 District (Multi-Family Residence District) at the request of petitioner, ***C & P Rental Property, L.L.C.*** This request was presented to the Mansfield Planning and Zoning Commission at their June 20th meeting, but was denied due to the absence of any representative for the petitioner who could share with the commission the proposed intent for occupancy or to answer any inquiries the Commission may have posed. However, at the Board of Aldermen’s regular meeting held on June 25, 2018, a unanimous vote was rendered authorizing advertisement of the title of the **Ordinance** on July 5<sup>th</sup> and to set a public hearing on same for July 9<sup>th</sup>. At this meeting, a representative for the petitioner was present, **Chassidy Robinson**, to offer details on the proposed occupancy of the structure at **1114 Pegues Street**. Ms. **Robinson** stated that the petitioner proposes to use the residential structure as a dwelling to house foster children who are 5 to 12 years of age. This dwelling would serve as temporary shelter (a group home) for displaced children, but only for a maximum of 30 days. Ms. **Robinson** further declared that the

petitioner (Sheraton Fuller) had applied for a federal grant to fund the staffing and regular maintenance of the shelter. Intentions are to staff this “group home” with as many as 14 workers. Additionally, Ms. **Robinson** informed the Mayor, Council and attendees that Ms. **Fuller** is committed to fulfilling all the requirements mandated by application of a grant for this type of occupancy. She said, however, that the “group home” may not be fully operational for another six (6) months, allowing ample time for all the required criteria to be fully met for consideration by the state of a grant award.

**Item B:** It was MOTIONED by **MARY J. GREEN** and SECONDED by **MITCHELL L. LEWIS** to approve adoption of **Ordinance No. 4 of 2018**, drafted to rezone property municipally known as **1114 Pegues Street** from an R-1 District (Single-Family Residence District) to an R-2 District (Multi-Family Residence District) at the request of petitioner, **C & P Rental Property, L.L.C.** Motion Passed Unanimously. (Full **Ordinance** recited below):

**CITY OF MANSFIELD**  
**ORDINANCE NO. 4 of 2018**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Mansfield, in *regular* session convened for:

AN ORDINANCE TO REZONE FROM AN R-1 DISTRICT (SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCE DISTRICT) TO AN R-2 DISTRICT (MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENCE DISTRICT) THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY:

LOTS 1 BLK 1 BROADMOOR SUBD, MFLD. (**1114 Pegues Street**)

WHEREAS, a petition to the Mansfield Planning/Zoning Commission was properly filed requesting that the property described here-in-above be rezoned and all proper notices and procedures have been followed:

AND WHEREAS, the Mansfield Board of Aldermen has recommended that said property be rezoned:

SECTION 1. The property shall be rezoned from an R-1 District (Single-Family Residence District) to an R-2 (Multi-Family Residence District) said property being described as herein above.

SECTION 2. All parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

This Ordinance was introduced by Alderman Joseph Hall, Jr. on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2018, with second by Alderman Mitchell L. Lewis, and passed, to publish the Ordinance title on July 5, 2018, and present for adoption on July 9, 2018.

UPON MOTION OF Mary J. Green and SECONDED BY Mitchell L. Lewis the above and foregoing ordinance was adopted on this the 9<sup>th</sup> day of July 2018, with the votes as follows:

Yeas: 3 (M. Green, M. Lewis, K. Campbell)  
Nays: 0  
Absent: 2 (C. Thomas, J. Hall, Jr.)  
Abstain: 0

AFTER PUBLICATION, EFFECTIVE DATE: **July 30, 2018.**

/s/ John Mayweather, Jr., *Mayor*  
s/s Marvin R. Jackson, *Clerk*

**New Business:** -None.

**Comments from Mayor Mayweather and/or Council Members:** Mayor Mayweather stated that this was his first official City Council meeting in his capacity as Mayor, since taking his Oath of Office on June 29<sup>th</sup>. He further remarked that he was grateful for the support he has received from the City Hall staff, other City personnel and from the Board of Aldermen since taking office. In addition, he expressed gratitude to the constituents of Mansfield with regard to how they have embraced his proposed plans and goals for the City. Mayor Mayweather intimated that there are great things in store for Mansfield in terms of economic growth and future community development. Finally, he stated that the Aldermen have assured him that they will continue with efforts to help our municipality remain progressive in all aspects.

With no further business to discuss, this meeting was declared adjourned at **4:41 p.m.** by MOTION from **MITCHELL L. LEWIS** and was SECONDED by **KERVIN D. CAMPBELL** Motion Passed Unanimously.

**John Mayweather, Sr., *Mayor***  
**Marvin R. Jackson, *Clerk***