City of Mansfield
MINUTES OF *REGULAR* PUBLIC MEETING
July 28, 2014

The Board of Aldermen met in regular session on **Monday, July 28th,** in Mansfield City Hall, located at 705 Polk Street. Mayor McCoy called the meeting to order at **4:30 p.m.**, after which an **Invocation** was offered by **Alderman Joseph Hall, Jr.** The Pledge of Allegiance was led by **Alderman Kervin D. Campbell.** Following the pledge, the roll was called, and the following officials were recorded as **Present**: Hon. Curtis W. McCoy, Mary L. Green –District **A,** Roy R. Jones –District **B,** Joseph Hall, Jr. –District **D,** and Kervin D. Campbell –District **E**. **Absent**: Mitchell L. Lewis –District **C**. **Other City Personnel Present**: James *"Jim"* Ruffin (Public Works Director), Brian Phillips (Court Clerk), Tommie Crawford (Public Relations Officer), Richard Johnson, Jr. (City Attorney) and Tamara Jackson (Officer –Mansfield Police Dept.). Others Present: F. Randy Peeples (External Affairs Mgr. -SWEPCO). **Press Present**: Julie Morris and Bennie Hall (***The Enterprise***).

It was MOTIONED by **JOSEPH HALL, JR.** and SECONDED by **KERVIN D. CAMPBELL** to approve the minutes of the **July 14, 2014** ***regular*** 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 no comments were offered from the floor, the **Public Comments Period** was then closed.

Old Business:

Item A: It was MOTIONED by **JOSEPH HALL, JR.** and SECONDED by **ROY R. JONES** to approve the recommendation of Public Works Director, Jim Ruffin, to accept **GEO Specialty Chemicals** ($210.50/dry-ton delivered) as the lowest responsible bidder for the chemical **Aluminum Sulfate Solution** and **FSTI, Inc.** ($656.00/dry-ton delivered) submitted the lowest bid for the chemical **Caustic Soda Liquid 25% Diaphragm**, both for use at the City's Toledo Bend Water Treatment Plant. These vendors will be placed under contract for the remainder of 2014 for purchase of these chemicals. All sealed bids received were opened at the City Council's regular meeting held on July 14th, and taken under advisement. Motion Passed Unanimously.

Item B: No other old business to discuss.

New Business:

Item A: At this time, a brief discussion ensued regarding a proposed street name change for a street located within the City's corporate limits. At the Mayor's request, the City proposes to change **West City Park Drive** to **Riemer Calhoun Sr. Circle.** Following the discussion, it was MOTIONED by **ROY R. JONES** and SECONDED by **KERVIN D. CAMPBELL** to authorize advertisement of a Notice of Public Hearing in our local journal on August 7th. Motion Passed Unanimously.

Item B: It was MOTIONED by **MARY L. GREEN** and SECONDED by **JOSEPH HALL, JR.** to set a Public Hearing for the proposed street name change from West City Park Drive to **Riemer Calhoun Sr. Circle** for Monday, August 11th. The hearing will be conducted to discuss and hear any comments from interested citizens concerning the request to change West City Park Drive to **Riemer Calhoun Sr. Circle.** Motion Passed Unanimously.

Item C: At this time, a proposed Ordinance was introduced to renew the non-exclusive Franchise Agreement with ***Southwestern Electric Power Company*** (SWEPCO). The council was informed that certain terms of the existing agreement were negotiated to be changed when the new agreement commences on September 1, 2014. Namely, the agreement will renew on September 1st for a thirty (30) year term instead of the current five-year term. Also, the franchise fee will be increased from 3% to 5% for the duration of the 30-year agreement. Finally, the frequency of payments received will be changed from a monthly to a quarterly basis. It was MOTIONED by **JOSEPH HALL, JR.** and SECONDED by **KERVIN D. CAMPBELL** to authorize advertisement of the title of the proposed Ordinance in our local journal on August 7th and to set the public hearing for same on Monday, August 11th. The title of the Ordinance was incorporated into the body of the Notice of Public Hearing. Motion Passed Unanimously.

Item D: It was MOTIONED by **ROY R. JONES** and SECONDED by **JOSEPH HALL, JR.** to authorize the Mayor to enter into and execute a **Cooperative Endeavor Agreement** with the ***Mansfield Alive Committee*** for the purpose of providing assistance to this organization to help underwrite the cost of sponsoring a ***"Back 2 School"*** recreational event scheduled for Saturday, August 2nd. Activities planned for the event will be situated on the grounds of the City Hall complex, and was intentionally scheduled to precede the commencement of the fall/winter school semester. The City will donate to the Mansfield Alive Committee the sum of **$800.00** to help offset the costs associated with sponsoring this event. The event is intended for all residents of the City and for the community-at-large, but will largely target an age demographic of primary school children to college students. Motion Passed Unanimously.

Item E: No other new business discussed.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was declared adjourned at **4:44 p.m.** by MOTION from **JOSEPH HALL, JR.** and SECONDED by **ROY R. JONES.** Motion Passed Unanimously.

Curtis W. McCoy, *Mayor*
Marvin R. Jackson, *Clerk*