

City of Mansfield
MINUTES OF *REGULAR* PUBLIC MEETING
March 22, 2021

In-Person Council Meeting

The Board of Aldermen met in *regular* session on **March 22nd**, in Mansfield City Hall located at 705 Polk Street. Mayor John H. Mayweather, Sr. called this meeting to order at **4:30 p.m.**, after which an Invocation was offered by **Alderman Kervin D. Campbell**. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by **Alderman Christopher S. Thomas**. Following the pledge, the clerk called the roll to record those council members in attendance. The following officials were recorded as **Present**: Hon. John H. Mayweather, Sr., -**Mayor, Christopher S. Thomas** –District **B**, Mitchell L. Lewis –District **C**, and Kervin D. Campbell –District **E**. **Absent**: Mary J. Green – District **A** and Joseph Hall, Jr. –District **D**. **City Hall Personnel, Dept. Heads, & Other City Personnel Present**: Gwendolyn Jones (Deputy Clerk). Others Present: John Barr (Dist. Dir. for U.S. Senator John Kennedy). **Press Present**: None.

It was MOTIONED by **KERVIN D. CAMPBELL** and SECONDED by **MITCHELL L. LEWIS** to approve the minutes of the **March 15, 2021** *special* City Council meeting and 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 public comments were offered from any of the participants in this meeting, the **Public Comments Period** was then subsequently closed.

Old Business: -None.

New Business: -None.

Comments from Mayor Mayweather and/or Council Members: During this period, the Mayor reminded those in attendance that the next city-wide ‘Cleanup Day’ has been scheduled for Saturday, March 27, from 8:00 a.m. until Noon. Participants of this initiative will be asked to assemble on the parking lot of City Hall and should plan to arrive shortly before 8:00 a.m. to receive cleaning supplies and any further instructions. Citizens of all ages are invited and encouraged to join this periodic endeavor. At this time, a brief discussion ensued regarding the legality of giving workforce bonuses to city employees out of the CARES Act funding the City received late last year. The act of paying bonuses out of federal coronavirus relief funds may be prohibited by the Department of the Treasury. The Council requested that the administration investigate this matter to instead ascertain if paying hazard pay out of the CARES Act funding is a permitted use of these relief funds. In closing, the Mayor urged the council members to watch for any available aid offered through local agencies for homeless persons and for persons displaced during the COVID-19 pandemic.

With no further business to discuss, this meeting was declared adjourned at **5:14 p.m.** by MOTION from **MITCHELL L. LEWIS** and was SECONDED by **CHRISTOPHER S. THOMAS**. Motion Passed Unanimously.

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