

City of Mansfield
MINUTES OF *REGULAR* PUBLIC MEETING
May 23, 2016

The Board of Aldermen met in regular session on **Monday, May 23rd** 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 call was suspended. However, the following officials were recorded as **Present:** Hon. Curtis W. McCoy, *Mayor*, Mary L. Green –District **A**, Brenda H. Hall –District **B**, Mitchell L. Lewis –District **C**, Joseph Hall, Jr. –District **D** and Kervin D. Campbell –District **E.** **Absent due to suspension:** Roy R. Jones –District **B.** **Other City Personnel Present:** Gwendolyn Jones (Deputy Clerk) and James “Jim” Ruffin (Public Works Director). **Others Present:** A. J. Williams. **Press Present:** None.

It was MOTIONED by **MITCHELL L. LEWIS** and SECONDED by **MARY L. GREEN** to approve the minutes of the **May 9, 2016 *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: None.

New Business:

Item A: It was MOTIONED by **JOSEPH HALL, JR.** and SECONDED by **MITCHELL L. LEWIS** to authorize the receipt and opening of all sealed public bids for the chemicals **ALUMINUM SULFATE SOLUTION** (Liquid Alum) and **CAUSTIC SODA LIQUID 25% DIAPHRAGM** for use at the city’s Toledo Bend Water Treatment Plant and take same under advisement. The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids received. The contract period will be from July 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016. The bids submitted for the chemical **ALUMINUM SULFATE SOLUTION** are itemized as follows: *Univar USA, Inc.* –no bid/quote submitted for this period, *GEO Specialty Chemicals* bid **\$225.00**/dry ton delivered, *Premier Chemicals & Services* bid **\$294.00**/dry ton, and *Chemtrade Chemicals US, LLC* bid **\$399.00**/dry ton. The following bids were received for the chemical **CAUSTIC SODA LIQUID:** *Univar USA, Inc.* bid **\$546.55**/dry ton delivered, *Harcross Chemicals* bid **\$568.00**/dry ton, *Premier Chemicals & Services* bid **\$698.00**/dry ton, and *FSTI, Inc. (Chemicals & Logistics)* bid **\$742.00**/dry ton. The bids for both chemicals will be tabulated and the lowest responsible bidder will be announced at the city council’s next regular meeting scheduled for 06/13/16 and placed under contract for the purpose period specified. Motion Passed Unanimously.

Item B: It was MOTIONED by **JOSEPH HALL, JR.** and SECONDED by **KERVIN D. CAMPBELL** to authorize the Mayor to enter and execute a **Maintenance Agreement including Mowing and Litter Pickup** with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (LA DOTD) for repair and maintenance to State Roadways for the period

beginning **July 1, 2016** and ending **June 30, 2017**. Since the DOTD lacks sufficient personnel and equipment to perform mowing and litter collection on a routine and continuing basis, this Agreement is entered into with our municipality to perform maintenance directly related to mowing and litter collection on undivided State Roadways located within the City of Mansfield, at the State's expense. The total mileage to be maintained by the City as specified in the Agreement and for which the City is entitled to reimbursement by DOTD is 8.26 miles at a rate of **\$250** per cycle, per mile for the identified undivided State Roadways. The total maximum amount for which the City may claim reimbursement is \$8,260.00. A description of the undivided State Roadways is recited in Exhibit "A" of the Agreement. Motion Passed Unanimously.

Item C: It was MOTIONED by **MITCHELL L. LEWIS** and SECONDED by **MARY L. GREEN** to approve the recommendation of Public Works Director, Jim Ruffin, to offer full-time employment to **Stan E. Jones** with the City of Mansfield. Mr. Jones has been employed with the City since February 29, 2016, and was assigned to work in the Sanitation Department with the garbage crew. He is very reliable with regard to reporting to work timely each day, and has demonstrated the ability to cooperate, work and communicate with his coworkers and supervisor. Finally, Mr. Jones also possesses a current commercial driver's license. Motion Passed Unanimously.

Item D: While no further new business was discussed, Mayor McCoy did remark that the recent reduced speed limit in DeSoto Estates to 5 miles per hour was requested by management at the facility. Alderman Joseph Hall generally inquired about the reason for the reduction in the posted speed limit in that subdivision. In the interest of public safety, facility management requested that the speed limit be reduced in this residential subdivision. However, no motorist was ever issued a citation for traveling at the reduced 5 miles per hour speed limit. It should be noted that the speed limit has since been changed to 20 miles per hour.

With no further business to discuss, this meeting was declared adjourned at **4:43 p.m.** by MOTION from **MARY L. GREEN** and was SECONDED by **JOSEPH HALL, JR.** Motion Passed Unanimously.

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