

City of Mansfield
MINUTES OF REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING
September 8, 2014

The Board of Aldermen met in regular session on **Monday, September 8th**, 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 Kervin D. Campbell**. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by **Alderwoman Mary L. Green**. 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**, Mitchell L. Lewis – District **C**, Joseph Hall, Jr. – District **D**, and Kervin D. Campbell – District **E**. **Absent**: None. **Other City Personnel Present**: James “Jim” Ruffin (Public Works Director), Brian Phillips (Court Clerk), Chief Gary Hobbs (Mansfield Police Dept.) and Richard Johnson, Jr. (City Attorney) **Others Present**: Lucien Marioneaux, Jr., Hope Calhoun, Shedrick Adkins, and JoAnn Adkins. **Press Present**: None.

It was MOTIONED by **MARY L. GREEN** and SECONDED by **ROY R. JONES** to approve the minutes of the **August 25, 2014 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 payment of current outstanding bills for this period. 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: A Public Hearing was conducted to discuss and hear any comments concerning the request to change the street name of West City Park Drive to **Riemer Calhoun Circle**. When no comments were offered during this period from any of the attendees at this meeting, the Public Hearing was then closed.

Item B: Proposed Ordinance No. 7 of 2014 was introduced, drafted to change the name of a street in the City’s corporate limits from West City Park Drive to **Riemer Calhoun Circle**. Following the introduction of the Ordinance, it was MOTIONED by **ROY R. JONES** and SECONDED by **MITCHELL L. LEWIS** to authorize advertisement of the title of the Proposed Ordinance in the September 18th edition of our local journal (*The Enterprise*), and set the public hearing for discussion and final adoption of the Ordinance for September 22nd. Motion Passed Unanimously.

Item C: Proposed Ordinance No. 8 of 2014 was introduced, drafted to rezone property with a municipal address of **605 Laura Street** from an R-1 District (Single-Family Residence District) to a B-3 District (Community and Central Business District). Following the introduction of the Ordinance, it was MOTIONED by **MARY L. GREEN** and SECONDED BY **ROY R. JONES**

to authorize advertisement of the title of the Proposed Ordinance in the September 18th edition of our local journal (*The Enterprise*), and set the public hearing for discussion and final adoption of the Ordinance for September 22nd. Motion Passed Unanimously.

Item D: No other old business discussed.

New Business:

Item A: Proposed Ordinance No. 9 of 2014 was introduced, drafted to amend Section 2-41 entitled, "*Wrongful Political Activities by Personnel*," Article III ("*Officer and Employees*"), under Division 1 ("*Generally*") in Chapter 2 of the Mansfield Code of Ordinances. Following the introduction of the Ordinance, it was MOTIONED by **ROY R. JONES** and SECONDED by **MARY L. GREEN** authorize advertisement of the title of the Proposed Ordinance in the September 18th edition of our local journal (*The Enterprise*), and set the public hearing for discussion and final adoption of the Ordinance for September 22nd. Motion Passed Unanimously.

Item B: It was MOTIONED by **MITCHELL L. LEWIS** and SECONDED by **JOSEPH HALL, JR.** to approve **Change Order No. 1** as recommended by BALAR Associates, Inc. and submitted by *David Lawler Construction, Inc.* for the Water Service Line Reconnections Project (Jane St. to Oxford Rd.). This was an additive Change Order in the amount of **\$2,221.50** necessary to reconnect two additional water services which were discovered during construction. The time provided for completion of the contract was unchanged. Motion Passed Unanimously.

Item C: It was MOTIONED by **ROY R. JONES** and SECONDED by **MITCHELL L. LEWIS** to approve **Change Order No. 10** for *Cecil D. Gassiot, LLC* as requested by the City for the Water Treatment Facilities improvements Project. This was an additive Change Order in the amount of **\$10,700.00**, and necessary to replace the effluent launder on Clarifier No. 1 at the Water Treatment Plant. By this Change Order, the total contract bid price of \$1,925,082.00 is modified and the adjusted contract price to date is now **\$1,935,782.00**. The time provided for completion of the contract was increased by fourteen (14) calendar days. Motion Passed Unanimously.

Item D: At this time, Mr. **Lucien H. Marioneaux, Jr.** was allowed the floor to formally introduce himself to the Mayor and City Council members. Mr. Marioneaux is a candidate for Division A District Judge for the 42nd Judicial District Court in DeSoto Parish, running against incumbent Hon. Robert E. Burgess. He is originally from Shreveport, LA, but currently resides in Stonewall, LA, where he has an office. He stated that he is married, but has no children. Further, he was licensed to practice civil and criminal law in 1998. He closed by inviting the

attendees to a *'meet and greet'* that is scheduled for September 16th at the Clista A. Calhoun Center. The Mayor and Aldermen wished him well in his campaign for this seat.

At this time, city clerk Marvin Jackson informed the Aldermen that the budget process had begun. He stated that no action was necessary on their part at this time. However, Mayor McCoy did announce that a workshop would be scheduled soon that will invite input from the Aldermen for the City's 2015 Financial Budget. Each Councilman will be notified of the date and time of this impending workshop.

Item E: No other New Business discussed.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was declared adjourned at **4:48 p.m.** by MOTION from **JOSEPH HALL, JR.** and SECONDED by **MITCHELL L. LEWIS.** Motion Passed Unanimously.

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