

City of Mansfield

Council Meeting Minutes

City Council Meeting Minutes
July 8, 2024 – 7:00 p.m.
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PRESENT: Blair Northen, Helen Robertson, Brandon Hays, Fred Purvis

Absent: Scott Colyn

OTHERS: Elsie Smith, Darren Overbaugh, Jefferson Riley, Vicki and Scott Cowan, Walter Tuggle, Jonathan Fuqua, Mike Hays, Mary and Josh Culbreth, Angela and Howard Culbreth, and Crystal Smallwood

Mayor Northen called the meeting to order at 7:02PM. Mayor Pro Tem, Fred Purvis gave the invocation. Mayor Northen then led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Northen presented the agenda. Purvis moved to make a motion to accept the agenda as presented, Councilman Brandon Hays seconded the motion. No discussion. All in favor.

Mayor Northen presented minutes from regular meeting, June 10, 2024. Hays moved to a motion to accept June 10, 2024, minutes. Purvis seconded. No discussion. All in favor.

No citizen comments on agenda items.

Old business:

None

New Business:

Mayor Northen stated he had been contacted by Jonathan Fuqua from the Mansfield Masonic Lodge requesting use of the city center for the annual fall festival. He then asked Mr. Fuqua to present the request. Mr. Fuqua stated this was the 4th year of the event and the proceeds from the event are given to charities that provide for children. He mentioned children that benefited from the funds of the previous year. He stated he had spoken with Beaver about parking, and he requested Ed Needham from 1st Ave to Blackwell St to be closed for the event. The event will be September 21, 2024, from 10-4pm. Mr. Mike Hays reiterated this event is good for downtown Mansfield and the community. Brandon Hays asked about parking if Beaver was not available. Purvis moved to make a motion to accept the request as presented. Council member Robertson seconded the motion. No discussion. All in favor.

Mayor Northen presented the 2024 millage rate and advised the council in years past they have always taken the rollback. He is recommending this year to do the same. The notice ran in the paper a week later so to be correct, a new motion was needed. The current millage rate is 2.591 and the roll back rate would be 2.476. Purvis moved to make a motion to take the rollback for 2024 with the millage rate being 2.476. Hays seconded the motion. No further discussion. All in favor.

Mayor Northen will continue to seek bids for the landscaping at the city hall and city center. No action needed.

Mayor Northen stated switches and insulators have been installed but no action is needed.

Mayor Northen states he had received 15 or more application for the city clerk position and would appreciate any council members that wanted to interview. Public Works position is open as well.

Citizen Comments:

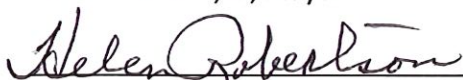
Jefferson Riley asked the paving at Sewell and Hwy 213 to be looked at for safety issues and to have the center line re-stripped where the patch is.

Jonathan Fuqua praised the quick response for the electric outage at his residence earlier in the week. He also expressed his concern of speeding cars in the area and requested speed bumps.

No further business to discuss. Robertson moved to make a motion to adjourn at 7:17. Purvis seconded the motion. All in favor.



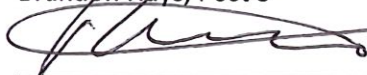
Blair H Northen, III, Mayor



Helen Robertson, Post 2



Brandon Hays, Post 3



Scott Colyn, Post 4



Fred Purvis, Post 5