

City of Mansfield
MINUTES OF *REGULAR* PUBLIC MEETING
February 8, 2021

Via Teleconference and/or Video Conference

The Board of Aldermen met in *regular* session on **February 8th**, via a ZOOM *teleconference and video conference* due to the current State of Emergency as a result of the **COVID-19** pandemic. Mayor John H. Mayweather, Sr. called this meeting to order at **4:30 p.m.**, after which an Invocation was offered by **Alderman Mitchell L. Lewis**. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by **Alderman Kervin D. Campbell**. Following the pledge, the clerk called the roll to record those council members in attendance. Following the pledge, the clerk asked each council member on the *teleconference* to confirm their participation by signifying a verbal 'present' if they joined the meeting via telephone as their names were called aloud. Those participating via their computers or other electronic devices, could be seen onscreen as evidence of their presence. The following officials were recorded as **Present**: Hon. John H. Mayweather, Sr., -**Mayor**, Mary J. Green -**District A**, **Christopher S. Thomas** -**District B**, Mitchell L. Lewis -**District C**, and Kervin D. Campbell -**District E**. **Absent**: Joseph Hall, Jr. -**District D**. **City Hall Personnel, Dept. Heads, & Other City Personnel Present/Participating on the call**: Annie Blue (Police Chief), Billy Locke (Asst. Police Chief), Tommie Crawford (Public Relations Officer/Water Billing Clerk), and Daniel Green (Patrol Officer -MPD). **Press Present/Participating**: None.

It was MOTIONED by **KERVIN D. CAMPBELL** and SECONDED by **MITCHELL L. LEWIS** to approve the minutes of the **January 25, 2021 *regular*** City Council meeting and dispense with the reading. Motion Passed Unanimously.

It was MOTIONED by **CHRISTOPHER S. THOMAS** and **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/participating to any item outlined on the meeting agenda. Constituents had been invited to participate in the meeting with regard to public comments using the method of either emailing, faxing or phoning in by 4:00 p.m., any public comments they wanted to offer during the Public Comments Period. When no public comments were offered from any of the participants in this meeting, the **Public Comments Period** was then subsequently closed

Old Business:

Item A: A public hearing was conducted to hear and discuss any comments regarding proposed **Ordinance No. 7 of 2020**, drafted to **amend** the City's Annual Financial Budget for FY **2020**. When no comments were offered on this item, the public hearing was then subsequently closed.

Item B: It was MOTIONED by **KERVIN D. CAMPBELL** and SECONDED by **CHRISTOPHER S. THOMAS** to adopt **Ordinance No. 7 of 2020**, drafted to **amend** the City's Annual Financial Budget for FY **2020**. This Ordinance was Budget Amendment No. 2 of 2020. (Motion Passed Unanimously. (Full Ordinance recited below):

CITY of MANSFIELD
Budget Amendment Ordinance #2
ORDINANCE NO. 7 of 2020

AN ORDINANCE **AMENDING** THE FINANCIAL BUDGET FOR
THE FISCAL YEAR 2020 FOR THE CITY OF MANSFIELD, LOUISIANA IN
ACCORDANCE WITH THE LOUISIANA LOCAL GOVERNMENT BUDGET ACT

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Mansfield, Louisiana, in *regular* session convened in its usual meeting place in the Council Chambers at the Mansfield City Hall located at 705 Polk Street, on the 14th day of December, 2020 that:

SECTION 1: An amendment to the City of Mansfield's financial budget for fiscal year 2020 is hereby proposed to amend several line items for the amounts budgeted for Revenue in the overall category of **CORPORATION**.

SECTION 2: Budgeted Revenue in the Corporation for Fines and Forfeitures for **2020** was \$200,000, but was decreased to \$90,000. Budgeted Revenue for City Court Costs was \$36,200, but was decreased to \$21,200. A total of \$215,000 was the budgeted revenue for License Tax **CLECO**, but was decreased to \$190,000. License Tax –*Atmos* was originally \$45,000 but was decreased to \$40,000. Similarly, License Tax –*Cable TV* was \$22,500 but was decreased to \$17,500. A total of \$12,500 was budgeted as anticipated Revenue for License Tax –*South Central Bell* but was decreased to \$10,000. Miscellaneous Income was \$20,000 but was reduced to \$10,000. Budget Revenue for Oil and Gas Royalty Income was anticipated to be \$10,000 but was decreased to \$7,500. Grant Income was originally \$0.00 but was increased to \$843,303. Video Poker Revenue was budgeted at \$190,000, but was reduced to \$90,000. These amendments resulted in total Revenue for the **CORPORATION** to increase from \$3,376,900 to \$3,945,203.

Section 3: Amendments to Capital Expenditures in the **CORPORATION** impacted Drainage Improvements and Streets/Sidewalks Improvements. Specifically, Capital Expenditures for Drainage Improvements was originally \$0.00 but was increased by \$20,000. Similarly, Capital Expenditures for Streets/Sidewalks Improvements was \$0.00, but was increased by \$35,000. These amendments resulted in an increased in Total Capital Expenditures incorporation to increase from \$3,491,700 to \$3,546,700.

This Ordinance was re-introduced by Alderman Mitchell L. Lewis on the 25th day of January, 2021, with second by Alderman Christopher S. Thomas, and passed, to publish the Ordinance title on February 4, 2021 and present for adoption on February 8, 2021.

Item B: No other new business discussed.

Comments from Mayor Mayweather and/or Council Members: During this period, the Mayor announced that the next city-wide ‘Cleanup Day’ has been tentatively scheduled some time during the month of March, the date and time yet to be announced. The Mayor requested that if the Aldermen are unable to participate in the cleanup event, they should enlist the participation of the constituents in their respective districts.

With no further business to discuss, this meeting was declared adjourned at **5:03 p.m.** by MOTION from **MITCHELL L. LEWIS** and was SECONDED by **KERVIN D. CAMPBELL**. Motion Passed Unanimously.

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