

City of Mansfield
MINUTES OF *REGULAR* PUBLIC MEETING
May 8, 2023

In-Person Council Meeting

The Board of Aldermen met in *regular* session on **May 8, 2023**, in Mansfield City Hall located at 705 Polk Street. Mayor Thomas Jones, Jr. called this meeting to order at **4:30 p.m.**, after which an Invocation was offered by **Mayor Thomas Jones**. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by **Alderman Antonio Washington**. Following the pledge, the roll call was suspended. However, the following officials were recorded as in attendance at this regular meeting of the City Council. **Present:** Hon. Thomas Jones, Jr., -**Mayor**, Mary Green –District **A**, Antonio Washington -District **D.**, and Rita Myles –District **E.** **Absent:** Christopher Thomas –District **B.** Victoria Jackson – District **C**, **Personnel, Dept. Heads, & Other City Personnel Present:** Maria Hogan (City Clerk) Tommie Crawford (Public Relations Officer), Ronnie Morris (Code Enforcement Officer), Bryan Ross (Fire Chief) William Bradford (City Attorney) Tomeka Carroll (Deputy Clerk) Christopher Johnson (Chief Police), Fred Jones (Sgt), Kevin Coleman (Sgt), Jacob Wilkerson (Officer) **Others Present:** Michelle Thomas, Winfred Johnson, Sharon Collins, Sebrina Walker, Patricia Lee, LaTarsha Shelton, Matthew McKee, DaKayla Thomas, Destiny Allen, Chassidy Robinson. **Press Present:** None.

It was MOTIONED by **MARY GREEN and ANTONIO WASHINGTON** and SECONDED by **RITA MYLES** to approve the minutes of the **April 24, 2023 *regular*** City Council meeting and dispense with the reading. Motion Passed Unanimously.

The Mayor next opened the floor to hear public comments from those in attendance, to any item outlined on the meeting agenda. When no comments were voiced from any of the attendees at this meeting, the **Public Comments Period** was then subsequently closed.

Old Business: None.

New Business:

Item A: It was MOTIONED by **RITA MYLES** and SECONDED by **MARY GREEN** to approve the promotion of Detective Michelle Thomas to Assistant Police Chief for the Mansfield Police Department as recommended by Chief Christopher Johnson.
Motion Passed Unanimously

Item B: The Oath of Office of Assistant Chief of Police, Michelle Thomas was given by Tomika Carroll, Deputy Clerk of Court.

Page 2 of 2
Regular Meeting
May 8, 2023

Item C: It was MOTIONED by **RITA MYLES** and SECONDED by **ANTONIO WASHINGTON** to approve the adoption of a RESOLUTION declaring certain City of Mansfield supplies, materials and equipment, specifically vehicles, to be surplus and to authorize the finance director, or her designee, to sell and dispose of said surplus property by public auction and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. Motion Passed Unanimously

Item D: A presentation was made by Chief Christopher Johnson, congratulating Skylar Ross and Jacob Wilkerson upon their completion of the Police Academy.

Item E: Mayor Thomas Jones presented awards to Chief Christopher Johnson and Asst. Chief Michelle Thomas. Mayor Thomas Jones stated that he appreciated their service and the move that was being made to take the city to the 21st century.

Comments from Mayor Thomas Jones, Jr. stated that he will inform everyone when the Surplus sale will take place. Also, explained to the new officers that a salary adjustment will happen to them.

Councilman Mary Green congratulated the two young men on their accomplishment and the academy, she stated that she went years ago but quit.

Attorney Bradford congratulated everyone on their accomplishment. Attorney Bradford gave an update on where we stand concerning broadband. He stated that MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) will be present to the council. We will do not have to pay anything until they present the plan. Attn. Bradford is looking the best plan for the citizens of Mansfield. He feels really good about the broadband. This is a win for the City of Mansfield.

Continue to Pray for the Mayor's family

No New Business

With no further business to discuss, this meeting was declared adjourned at **4:55 p.m.** by MOTION from **MARY GREEN** and was SECONDED by **ANTOINO WASHINGTON**. Motion Passed

Unanimously.

Thomas Jones, Jr., *Mayor*
Maria Hogan, *City Clerk*