

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
February 18, 2020

The Second monthly meeting of Mansfield City Council met on Tuesday, February 18, 2020 at
7:50 PM in the Council Chambers of the City Building.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by the audience.

Councilman Lawrence led the audience in prayer.

ROLL CALL: The following answered present at roll call: Burns, Meier, Van Harlingen, Davenport, Lawrence, Taddie, Scott, Falquette, and Mears.

There being no objections, the reading of the Journal and Correspondence was dispensed with.

ADMINISTRATION:

MAYOR: I just have a proclamation for Rev. Lintern, if I may?

PRESIDENT MEARS: Okay. Certainly, let's proceed with the proclamation.

MAYOR: If you would come on up? Reverend Lintern and Reverend Al have put together a March to be in the Prayer Program, and that they have set up and in fact there's a hand out that everybody got and they've set up a prayer at different churches for the whole month of March, up to Easter and I think that's a great thing. This is the second year... (inaudible) In that I have a proclamation. Mansfield was known as a City of churches during a time when church steeples dominated the downtown skyline. Forty-Seven local Christian Churches represent more than twenty-five denominations; each hosting night of prayer, beginning March first two thousand twenty...nineteen?

REVEREND LINTERN: Well, nineteen was last year. That's how it was last year.

MAYOR: Oh, okay. And continuing until Easter and praying for local Officials, First Responders, those dealing with addictions and general welfare. Mansfield is God's field, was a common theme throughout the March of Prayer. Churches in Lexington, Bellville, Ontario, and Lucas were also hosts of these Church services. Psalms 118:19 declares: "Swinging wide the City gates, the religious gates, I'll walk right through and thank God." And I therefore, Tim Theaker, the Mayor of the City of Mansfield, let it be resolved that March of Prayer be encouraged for churches of all faiths during this month, intentionally to lift up in prayer this community, our Officials, the First Responders, it's residents, it's students, it's families, it's business leaders, it's workers, it's entrepreneurs, it's healthcare providers, it's prison population, and guards, it's Faith Community and all the challenges; all the opportunities and issues they face. Be it resolved that residents and participation in this community are encouraged. I therefore have set my name and signature to this proclamation. Thank you very much.

REVEREND LINTERN: Thank you, very much. If you would allow me a few words, you have forced this preacher to sit quietly for two and half hours. That is unheard of. I went into ministry so I wouldn't have to sit still during church. (chuckles) But, I do want to say what your prayer was what my heart was thinking too. And I have, I was thinking the last twenty-five years the connections to Ocie Hill, have been pretty significant helping with the Minority Health Fair, Boys' Basketball, all sorts of things that have gone on and really have continued to this day. I want to remind you and as a historian, that building has already

come down once. It was Bowman Street School; it was demolished in order to place that building there, and we generationally will take buildings down in order to rebuild them and I would... I'm not going to make solutions for you, but I do hope that there is the next generation as people have described. As a prophetic word though, God goes ahead of us. And often times when we come up with ideas, it's finally God has gotten our attention and whispered what is the solution. So, as we will be keeping you in prayer, certainly,

These next sixty-five days as they come out, and please notice the list, there are churches in each of your wards that are part of this and I invite your participation, but even if you are not there, know that you are being prayed for and know that Ocie Hill will be a major portion of what we are praying for. Our first responders are almost every night, that is part of it. The addiction situations are there as well as everything related to the communities. And this has been a remarkable experience, last year was very surprising and I gave each of you a book. It's an easy read. And it's one chapter at a time, doesn't take very long, so just enjoy that. Pick out churches, especially in your wards and notice it. But, we have even expanded this year. And it is not, it was not the intention, it's God's way of saying "something good is happening". So, please recognize that and thank you very much for this proclamation and for your, for your dedication and leadership in all this as well.

(Thank you, said throughout Council.)

JEAN TADDIE: Thank you. Thank you for spreading the love.

(Clapping)

END OF DISCUSSION

MONDAY DEADLINE

COUNCILWOMAN BURNS: I move with respect to Bills 20-046, & 20-047 that the rule requiring legislation be submitted by 4 PM on Monday be suspended and that Bills 20-046, & 20-047 be allowed on the floor this evening, seconded by Mr. Falquette and passed by vote: Ayes: 8, Nays:0

SUSPEND RULES

COUNCILWOMAN BURNS: I move with respect that the rule requiring reading on three different days be suspended and that each bill be read one time by title only, seconded by Mr. Falquette. The vote was taken and resulted as follows: Ayes: 8 Nays: 0.

AMENDING CODIFIED ORDINANCE: CONTRACTS UNDER \$50,000.00

BY: MR. VAN HARLINGEN

BILL#20-037

***First Read**

ORDINANCE# 20-037

Amending portions of Chapter 198 of the Codified Ordinance of the City of Mansfield regarding multi-vendor projects and contracts under \$50,000.00.

Upon motion by Mr. Van Harlingen, that Bill 20-037 be read and placed upon the floor for discussion, seconded by Mr. Falquette.

The bill was declared passed, signed by the President, approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

DISCUSSION:

PRESIDENT MEARS: Is there any discussion? Mr. Van Harlingen.

JON VAN HARLINGEN: Yes Sir, I've got something to say, but I'm hungry and I want to go home. (Chuckles in room) There's more readings, so, next time.

PRESIDENT MEARS: Okay. Councilman Falquette.

DAVID FALQUETTE: I know that you want to go home, but I am glad that we got this one put together. Especially, after your previous comments, my comments awhile back; I think this is a good thing. So, thanks for putting it together.

PRESIDENT MEARS: Councilman Van Harlingen.

JON VAN HARLINGEN: He started it. No, I have had the opportunity; there are those that have had some concerns regarding this. This is not a catch-all for everything, but I think it's a good start and as I've had the chance to talk with some other people, here in the near future, I do leave it stand, as it is, and I do believe that there is more to be shared about how this thing's going to work. This is no guarantee we can't make the administration...uh, oh well here we go. Here just recently...

PHIL SCOTT: And here you go...

JON VAN HARLINGEN: Yeah, here we go. Here just recently, a fine example maybe it was known, maybe it wasn't known...a p.o. was opened up to a mailing service in the amount of \$49,300.00; just underneath the threshold, well it wasn't but close to thirteen days later, the same company we turned around and opened a p.o. for \$12,000.00, because there was more that was needed. So, there you go, we're up \$60,000.00 right now and it never came through Council. It's all under Contractual Services. Not that anybody did anything wrong; I'd like to know where the money's going. So, that's the whole point of the bill. There's some things this will not, this, the administration has the right to do, but then again, the key word that I'm looking at is projects. If there's more than two po's, if it exceeds more than \$50,000.00, and you don't have multiple vendors, then it, I feel it's only right to bring it to Council.

PRESIDENT MEARS: Any further discussion? Okay. As this is the first reading we'll, uh, move on.

END OF DISCUSSION

REVISING CODIFIED ORDINANCE/ ADOPTING CURRENT REPLACEMENT PAGES

BY: MR. LAWRENCE

BILL# 20-038

ORDINANCE#20-038

Revising the Codified Ordinances of the City of Mansfield by adopting current replacement pages, and declaring an emergency.

Upon motion by Mr. Lawrence, that Bill 20-038 be read and placed upon the floor for discussion, seconded by Mr. Falquette. The bill was placed upon the floor for final passage, seconded by Mr. Falquette. The vote was taken and resulted as follows: Ayes: 8, Nays: 0.

The bill was declared passed, signed by the President, approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

DISCUSSION: NONE

ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE DONATION: NCD AND OHIO ELKS #56: \$2,000.00

BY: MR. VAN HARLINGEN

BILL # 20-039

ORDINANCE # 20-039

Authorizing the Safety-Service Director to accept and appropriate a donation from NCD Ohio Elks #56 in the amount of (\$2,000), and declaring an emergency.

Upon motion by Mr. Van Harlingen, that Bill 20-039 be read and placed upon the floor for discussion, seconded by Mr. Scott. The bill was placed upon the floor for final passage, seconded by Mr. Scott. The vote was taken and resulted as follows: Ayes: 8, Nays: 0

The bill was declared passed, signed by the President, approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

DISCUSSION: NONE

THEN & NOW: AUTHORIZING PAYMENT/LLC/CENTRAL SQUARE \$19,312.87

BY: VAN HARLINGEN

BILL # 20-040

ORDINANCE # 20-040

Authorizing payment to Superior, LLC/Central Square in the amount of nineteen thousand three hundred twelve and 87/100 dollars (\$19,312.87) by affirming a Then and Now Certificate of the Finance Director, and declaring an emergency.

Upon motion by Mr. Van Harlingen, that Bill 20-040 be read and placed upon the floor for discussion, seconded by Mr. Falquette. The bill was placed upon the floor for final passage, seconded by Mr. Falquette. The vote was taken and resulted as follows: Ayes: 8, Nays: 0

The bill was declared passed, signed by the President, approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

DISCUSSION: NONE

THEN & NOW CERTIFICATE PAYMENT TO ODOT: \$18,702.75

BY: MR. VAN HARLINGEN

BILL # 20-041

ORDINANCE # 20-041

Authorizing payment to Ohio Department of Transportation in the amount of eighteen thousand seven hundred two and 75/100 dollars (\$18,702.75) by affirming a Then and Now Certificate of the Finance Director, and declaring an emergency.

Upon motion by Mr. Van Harlingen, that Bill 20-041 be read and placed upon the floor for discussion, seconded by Mr. Falquette. The bill was placed upon the floor for final passage, seconded by Mr. Falquette. The vote was taken and resulted as follows: Ayes: 8, Nays: 0

The bill was declared passed, signed by the President, approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

DISCUSSION: NONE

ACCEPT FUNDS FROM OHIO OFFICES OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE: \$60,000.00

BY: MR. VAN HARLINGEN

BILL # 20-042

ORDINANCE # 20-042

Authorizing the Mayor and Safety-Service Director to accept funding from the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services under a 2019 Subgrant in the amount of Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$60,000) to be used for a portion of the cost of a Family Violence Liaison Officer, and declaring an emergency.

Upon motion by Mr. Van Harlingen that Bill 20-042 be read and placed upon the floor for discussion, seconded by Mr. Falquette. The bill was placed upon the floor for final passage, seconded by Mr. Falquette. The vote was taken and resulted as follows: Ayes: 8, Nays: 0

The bill was declared passed, signed by the President, approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

DISCUSSION: NONE

ACCEPTING DONATION FROM ANNIELYNN MILLER: MEMORIAM OF CHIEF RICHARD KRIZAN

BY: MR. VAN HARLINGEN

BILL# 20-043

ORDINANCE # 20-043

Authorizing the City to accept a donation of one hundred eighteen dollars (\$118.00) from Annielynn Miller in memory of Chief Richard Krizan for use by the Mansfield Fire Department in the operation of its Fire Prevention Program.

Upon motion by Mr. Van Harlingen, that Bill 20-043 be read and placed upon the floor for discussion, seconded by Mr. Falquette. The bill was placed upon the floor for final passage, seconded by Mr. Falquette. The vote was taken and resulted as follows: Ayes: 8, Nays: 0

The bill was declared passed, signed by the President, approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

DISCUSSION: NONE

VACATE PORTIONS OF EDWARDS AVENUE: LOT # 446, 447, 448, 449

BY: MR. LAWRENCE

BILL# 20-044

ORDINANCE#20-044

Vacating a portion of Edwards Avenue between S. Franklin and Lundy's Lane along Lot Nos. 446 and 447, and a portion of Harris Place between S. Franklin and Lundy's Lane between Lot Nos. 448 and 449 and retaining the utility rights and easements therein, and declaring an emergency.

Upon motion by Mr. Lawrence, that Bill 20-044 be read and placed upon the floor for discussion, seconded by Mr. Falquette. The bill was placed upon the floor for final passage, seconded by Mr. Falquette. The vote was taken and resulted as follows: Ayes: 8, Nays: 0.

The bill was declared passed, signed by the President, approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

DISCUSSION: NONE

AUTHORIZING FIVE YEAR SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH CENTURY LINK

BY: MR. VAN HARLINGEN

BILL # 20-045

ORDINANCE # 20-045

Authorizing the Safety-Service Director and Public Works Director to enter into a service agreement to provide internet and network services with Century Link for a term of five (5) years and related documents, and declaring an emergency.

Upon motion by Mr. Van Harlingen, that Bill 20-045 be read and placed upon the floor for discussion, seconded by Mr. Falquette. The bill was placed upon the floor for final passage, seconded by Mr. Falquette. The vote was taken and resulted as follows: Ayes: 8, Nays: 0

The bill was declared passed, signed by the President, approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

DISCUSSION: NONE

AUTHORIZING SOFTWARE AGREEMENT WITH SUPERION LLC/CENTRALSQUARE

BY: MR. SCOTT

BILL # 20-046

ORDINANCE # 20-046

Authorizing the Safety-Service Director to enter into a software maintenance agreement with Superior LLC/ CentralSquare, and declaring an emergency.

Upon motion by Mr. Scott, that Bill 20-046 be read and placed upon the floor for discussion, seconded by Mr. Falquette. The bill was placed upon the floor for final passage, seconded by Mr. Falquette. The vote was taken and resulted as follows: Ayes: 8, Nays: 0

The bill was declared passed, signed by the President, approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

DISCUSSION: NONE

AUTHORIZING SOFTWARE AGREEMENT WITH SUNDANCE SYSTEMS INC

BY: MR. SCOTT

BILL # 20-047

ORDINANCE # 20-047

Authorizing the Safety-Service Director to enter into a software maintenance agreement with Sundance Systems Inc., and declaring an emergency.

Upon motion by Mr. Scott, that Bill 20-047 be read and placed upon the floor for discussion, seconded by Mr. Falquette. The bill was placed upon the floor for final passage, seconded by Mr. Falquette. The vote was taken and resulted as follows: Ayes: 8, Nays: 0

The bill was declared passed, signed by the President, approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

DISCUSSION: NONE

CLOSING COMMENTS:

PRESIDENT MEARS: Is there anything else to come before Council tonight?

DAVID FALQUETTE: Mr. President.

PRESIDENT MEARS: Councilman.

DAVID FALQUETTE: Try to be brief. Um, I know our budget discussion is coming up shortly. One thing that I want to call your attention, capital expenditure in police department, haven't bought any new police cars, all of last year, should be buying about four per year. I would certainly like to consider as many as eight new police cars in the budget. So, we'll talk about that next time. I'll throw it on the table to think about it.

JASON LAWRENCE: Eight...

PRESIDENT MEARS: Anything else to come before Council, before we adjourn?

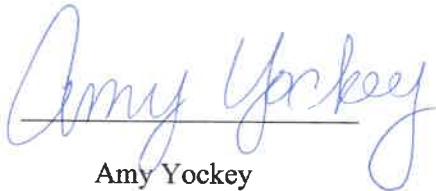
CHERYL MEIER: Real quick.

PRESIDENT MEARS: Councilwoman Meier.

CHERYL MEIER: There was an email that came out earlier this week about the Altrusa Spring Bash, on March 7th. I do have tickets for that. The funds that are accrued from that org...or that event, um, all go back to the Tools for Schools program and Altrus has donated over a million school supplies since the inception of the Tool for Schools. So, it's a great, it's a great fundraiser, uh, at the fairgrounds...(inaudible), food, and all kind of auction baskets, and things. So, it's a good time.

PRESIDENT MEARS: Thank you, Councilwoman Meier. Anything else to come before Council tonight?

ADJOURN: Upon motion by Mr. Falquette, seconded by Mrs. Burns, and passed by voice vote, the meeting was adjourned.



Amy Yockey
Clerk of Council



Cliff Mears
President