

**MINUTES OF A
A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
MANNING CITY COUNCIL**

**Tuesday, March 14, 2023
6:30 p.m.**

**Council Chambers
Manning City Hall**

Members Present:

Mayor Nelson
Mayor Pro-tem Davis
Councilmember Georgia
Councilmember Gordon
Councilmember Dukes
Councilmember Pack
Councilmember Welle

I. Welcome/Introductory Remarks.....Mayor Julia A. Nelson

Mayor Nelson welcomed all in attendance to the March 2023 meeting.

**II. Invocation..... Councilmember Rev. Ervin Davis, Pastor
First Servant's Church, Manning, SC**

III. PledgeCouncilmember Sherry A. Welle

IV. Approval of Agenda

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Welle and was seconded by Councilmember Georgia to approve the agenda as presented. There was no discussion. All favored the motion.

V. Minutes:

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of City Council, February 21, 2023.

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Welle and was seconded by Councilmember Gordon to approve the minutes of a Regular Meeting of City Council, February 21, 2023.

VI. Presentation:

- 1) Key to the City.....Mrs. Marie Land..... Mayor Julia Nelson

Mayor Nelson explained that plans were underway to acknowledge Mrs. Land for all that she does for the City of Manning. Then COVID interrupted the plans and they were put on hold. Mayor Nelson noted that Mrs. Land has does so much for the city and that Council appreciates everything that she has done. Mayor Nelson told Mrs. Land that the presentation of the Key to the City is not enough to say “Thank You” and presented Mrs. Land with a Key to the City. Mrs. Land thanked Mayor Nelson and Council for the presentation.

VII. Finance Director’s Report:

Mr. Tanner stated that, due to medical issues, Mrs. Prince would present the Finance Director’s Report at a later date. Mayor Nelson asked Mr. Tanner if the Finance Report for February and March would be presented next month. Mr. Tanner stated that due to the change of the dates of the Council meetings, the report may not be ready in time. Mayor Nelson asked what part of the report would be ready. Mayor Nelson stated that it will all work out.

VIII. Mayor’s Report:

Mayor Nelson stated that she had no report for this month.

IX. Administrator’s Report:

1. The Hwy. 301 tank refurbishment is almost complete, logos have been applied and is looking good. Some clean up still needs to be done, then the Well will be repaired at a cost of \$65,000.
2. Update on a couple of zoning issues: the kennel issue and the vacant property across from CVS Pharmacy has been cleaned up. The dogs have been removed from the kennel.
3. Redistricting maps. Mr. Tanner stated that he has met with several Councilmembers and will send out another proposed map for Council’s review. Mr. Tanner stated that he would like to finalize the map and have First Reading at the April meeting so that we do not fall behind.
4. An order has been placed for the street signs. Mr. Tanner will replace the ones he’s aware of that are missing and asked Council to let him know of any others that need to be replaced.
5. Work continues on the Red, White and Blue celebration. Mr. Tanner asked Council to let him know of any donors that he should contact.
6. Mr. Tanner stated that he would like to get a consensus of the next concert date and that he was looking at having one possibly in May. Mayor Nelson stated that they will coordinate the dates with Ms. Trebil.

7. Mr. Tanner stated that he has started working on new budget and noted that some workshops will need to be scheduled.
8. Mr. Tanner introduced Ms. Keonta Moore as the new Utility Billing Assistant.

Departmental Reports: Included in Council's Packet.

X. New Business:

A. Ordinance No. 2023-01. An Ordinance authorizing and directing the City of Manning to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement relating to South Carolina Local Revenue Services; To participate in one or more local Revenue Service Programs; to execute and deliver one or more Participant Program Supplements; and other matters relating Thereto.

Mr. Tanner stated that the Ordinance would allow the Municipal Association of SC to collect business license fees on our behalf from telecommunication companies, insurance companies and other like industries. Mr. Tanner stated that state law had some language revisions incorporated into the Ordinance to allow the Municipal Association to continue to collect the fees.

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Welle and was seconded by Councilmember Georgia to approve Ordinance No. 2023-01 for First Reading. There was no discussion. All favored the motion.

B. A Resolution to Amend the Manning City Council Rules of Procedures Concerning Meeting Dates and Time.

Mr. Tanner stated that the Resolution will officially move Council Meetings to the second Tuesday of the month at 6 pm.

A **motion** was made by Mayor Pro-tem Davis and was seconded by Councilmember Gordon to approve the Resolution as presented. There was no discussion. All favored the motion.

C. Council Approval for an additional \$55,000 from the American Recovery Plan funding for the purchase of a Grapple Truck.

Mr. Tanner stated that some Councilmembers were able to stop by last week to look at a truck. Mr. Tanner stated that a Grapple truck was ordered more than a year ago and it was to have been delivered last summer and was then pushed back to December of this year. Mr. Tanner stated that he has had a couple of options come his way. Option 1: A 40-yard capacity truck, which is larger than our current 30-yard capacity truck. This truck is 2 foot larger and quite a bit taller and is currently in stock. The price is \$50,000 more than our original order. Option 2: A smaller truck with an 18-yard capacity. The benefit of having this truck is that the driver of the truck does not have to have a CDL license. The price is \$197,663, about \$20,000

more than our original order.

Mr. Tanner asked Mr. Hardy to comment on the trucks. Mr. Hardy stated that the 40-yard truck would be a benefit in that they could pick up two day's worth of trash as opposed to one day. In addition, they could run trips to the landfill as opposed to dumping it at the Street lot like is currently being done.

Following, Mr. Tanner stated that the options would be:

- 1) to wait on the truck originally ordered and hope that it would be delivered in December;
- 2) look at the 40-yard truck
- 3) look at the 18-yard truck;
- 4) wait on another 30-yard truck which would be coming off the line in July of this year at a cost of \$10,000 more than the truck that we ordered.

Mr. Tanner stated that the plan would be to buy a truck and start using the truck, have the old truck put in the shop for repairs and be used as a standby.

A **motion** was made by Mayor Pro-tem Davis and was seconded by Councilmember Dukes to approve an additional \$50,000 from the American Recovery Plan funding for the purchase of a 40-yard Grapple Truck. There was no discussion. All favored the motion.

XI. Councilmembers' Comments

Councilmember Welle

Councilmember Welle formally announced the Law Enforcement and First Responders Appreciation event to be held at Weldon Gymnasium, from 5 pm to 7 pm. Several businesses are participating as well as local residents will be providing food. Councilmember Welle encouraged Council to and everyone to attend.

Councilmember Dukes

Councilmember Dukes invited Council and everyone to attend his mother's 97th birthday, April 18th at 4 pm. This will be a drive-by event and that the line-up will start at Corner Diner.

Mayor Pro-tem Davis

Mayor Pro-tem Davis thanked Mr. Tanner for his efforts in correcting some issues in his District.

Mayor Nelson

Mayor Nelson formally welcomed Mr. Gordon back after recovering from surgery.

XII. Executive Session

1) Discussion of possible purchase of Real Estate pursuant to SC State Code 30-4-40(a)(5).

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Welle and was seconded by Councilmember Georgia to enter into Executive Session for a discussion of possible purchase of Real Estate pursuant to SC State Code 30-4-40(a)(5). There was no discussion. All favored the motion.

Time: 6:25 pm

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Pack and was seconded by Councilmember Dukes to return to Open Session. There was no discussion. All favored the motion.

Time: 6:54 pm

XIII. Possible action following Executive Session for items discussed in Executive Session.

No action was taken.

XIV. Adjournment:

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Georgia and was seconded by Councilmember Gordon to adjourn. There was no discussion. All favored the motion.

Time: 6:56 pm

Respectfully submitted,



Daun Davis
Deputy Administrator/Clerk