

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

**Tuesday, June 13, 2023
6:00 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 June, 2023 meeting.

II. Invocation..... Mayor Pro-tem Ervin Davis

III. Pledge.....Councilmember Diane D. Georgia

IV. Approval of Agenda

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

V. Minutes:

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of City Council, May 9, 2023.

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Pack and was seconded by Councilmember Welle to approve the minutes of a Regular Meeting of City Council, May 9, 2023. There was no discussion. All favored the motion.

VI. Finance Director’s Report:

Mayor Nelson stated that Mrs. Prince's mother has been in the hospital and she has been home taking care of her. Mayor Nelson stated that the Finance Report will be available at next month's meeting.

VII. Mayor's Report:

Mayor Nelson asked Lt. Sean Briley to stand. Next, Mayor Nelson congratulated Lt. Briley and stated that Council was very proud of Lt. Briley for successfully graduating from the National FBI Academy Institute. Mayor Nelson asked Lt. Briley to share what he has accomplished.

Lt. Sean Briley stated that through the FBI Academy you can take classes at the University of Virginia. He stated he took 5 college level classes that gave him another Masters Certificate in Criminal Justice Education while he was there.

The Red, White and Blue Celebration will be held on July 3, 2023. Mayor Nelson commended Councilmember Pack for his due diligence in being the main fundraiser and for securing the band for the event.

VIII. Administrator's Report:

1. Mr. Tanner stated that he is continuing to work on the budget for FY' 2024. A Public Hearing and final reading on the budget will be held on June 26th at 5:30 pm. Mr. Tanner stated that he will send out final budget information for Council's review. However, he does not anticipate any major changes to the budget.
2. We are working on cameras throughout town as a crime deterrent. We are continuing to work with Duke Energy in getting coordinates for each pole and will work on putting them on different poles that do not have transformers on it.
3. Repairs have started on the Hwy. 301 Well. It will be approximately 3-4 weeks before it is up and running.
4. There will be a meeting this Thursday at Santee Lynches COG on the SCIPP Project. This is the \$10 million sewer replacement project. Mr. Tanner stated that he will be meeting with the Rural Infrastructure Authority as well.
5. The Red, White and Blue Celebration will be held on July 3rd.
6. Popsicles in the Park will be held this Thursday at the Rex Josey Park at 6 pm
7. The fence at Gibbons St. park has been repaired.

Mayor Nelson stated that everyone is familiar with social media and noted that the city has been getting negative publicity behind our parks, mainly the Gibbons St. Park. Mayor Nelson stated that she has contacted several department heads asking them to let their

people go through the parks, walk through so that if anything in disarray they can be corrected as soon possible.

Mayor Nelson stated that she also receives other comments about the parks which are positive and receives negative comments one-on-one. Mayor Nelson thanked Chief Grice, and Chief McElveen for agreeing to help out Public Works with checking on the parks, especially Gibbons St. Park.

Departmental Reports: Included in Council's Packet.

IX. Old Business:

A. Zoning Ordinance No. 2023-01M. (Second Reading). An Ordinance to re-zone property located at 421 W. Huggins St., Tax Map Number 169-11-03-009-00, owned by Melvin & Vermell Walters, from Residential-20 (RS-20) to Residential-6 (RS-6).

Mayor Nelson said prior to tonight's meeting she received a request from the Attorney Matthew Williamson, who represents the Walters asking Council to table the Second Reading of the Ordinance to the July meeting. Mr. Tanner stated that the Walters had prior plans before the re-zoning request and they are out of town. Attorney Williamson stated that the Walters had plane tickets that could not be changed and they were out of town. Attorney Williamson stated that the Walters wanted to be present for the vote and asked that Council table the second reading of the Ordinance. Mayor Nelson stated that Council decides whether or not to table the Second Reading of the Zoning Ordinance and asked Council how they would like to proceed.

A **motion** was made by Mayor Pro-tem Davis and was seconded by Councilmember Dukes to table Second Reading of Zoning Ordinance No. 2023-01M to the, July 11, 2023 meeting. There was no discussion. All favored the motion.

X. New Business:

A. Council Approval on Re-Appointments to Volunteer Boards:

Planning Commission:

Pamela Clavon-Brunson-renewing a four- year term to expire June 30, 2027.

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Pack and was seconded by Mayor Pro-tem Davis to re-appoint Pamela Clavon-Brunson to the Planning Commission for a four-year term to expire June 30, 2027. There was no discussion. All favored the motion.

Zoning Board of Appeals

Mark Bellamy- renewing a four- year term to expire June 30, 2027.

A **motion** was made by Mayor Pro-tem Davis and was seconded by Councilmember Dukes to re-appoint Mark Bellamy to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a four-year term to expire June 30, 2027. There was no discussion. All favored the motion.

- B. Council Approval to transfer \$4,000.00 from Utilities- Water Insurance, line # 030-740-00020-00331 to Utilities Distribution- Building Repair and Maintenance, line # 030-700-00050-00535 for repair and fix the breakroom at the Public Works Building.**

Mr. Tanner stated There was quite of bit of work needed to be done to the breakroom down at Public Works. Mr. Tanner stated that he has identified monies to do that. The breakroom was painted, had new flooring, new counter tops and sink. Mr. Tanner stated that on the new two items listed on the agenda for budget transfer, the monies have been identified to put lighting up in the warehouses which will come out of the current budgets.

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Welle and was seconded by Councilmember Dukes to approve the transfer as noted above. There was no discussion. All favored the motion.

- C. Council Approval to transfer \$7,821.00 from Street- Capital Expenditures- Furniture and Equipment, line # 010-650-00065-00826 to Street- Capital Expenditures-Capital Projects, line # 010-650-00065-00065 for warehouse lighting.**

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

- D. Council Approval to transfer \$6,170.00 from Utilities Distribution-Operations- Unforeseen Repairs, line # 030-700-00020-00397 to Utilities Distribution-Capital Expenditures- Capital Projects, line # 030-700-00065-00065 for warehouse lighting.**

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Welle and was seconded by Councilmember Georgia to approve the transfer as presented. In discussion, Mayor Nelson asked Mr. Tanner if the last two transfers were a combination of those amounts. Mr. Tanner stated that the it was a \$14,000 project for the warehouse lighting. There was no further discussion. All favored the motion.

XI. Councilmembers' Comments:

Mayor Pro-tem Davis

Mayor Pro-tem Davis commended whoever is responsible for operating the Street

Sweeper for doing a beautiful job in the downtown area and the side streets. Mr. Tanner stated that Bertis Dennis is operating the Street Sweeper.

Mayor Nelson

Mayor Nelson stated that some of the business were asking whether there was straw or mulch put on the street trees downtown. Mr. Tanner stated that they would be putting down mulch prior to the Red, White and Blue Celebration.

XII. Executive Session:

- 1) **A personnel matter concerning Public Works pursuant to SC State Code 30-4-70(a)(1).**
- 2) **A contractual matter concerning City property pursuant to SC State Code 30-4-70(a)(2).**

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Pack and was seconded by Councilmember Georgia to enter into Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter concerning Public Works pursuant to SC State Code 30-4-70(a)(1) and to discuss a contractual matter concerning City property pursuant to SC State Code 30-4-70(a)(2). There was no discussion. All favored the motion.

Time: 6:18 pm

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

Time: 7:10 pm

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

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Georgia and was seconded by Councilmember Pack to authorize the Administration to enter into lease agreement with Nuclear Repair Solutions for the lease of the city's warehouse located at 331 Warehouses Street in the amount of \$2,500.00 monthly. There was no discussion. All favored the motion.

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Gordon and was seconded by Councilmember Pack to authorize the Administrator to execute a quit claim deed on property off Glenwood Dr. adjacent to Tax Map #168-09-03-014-00. There was no discussion. All favored the motion.

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Dukes and was seconded by Councilmember Pack to accept the letter of resignation as stated. There was no further discussion. Mayor Nelson called for a vote on the motion. Those in favor of the motion were

Councilmember Dukes, Councilmember Georgia, Councilmember Gordon and Councilmember Pack. Those against the motion were Mayor Pro-tem Davis and Councilmember Welle. By a vote of three in favor and two against, the motion carried to accept the letter of resignation as stated.

XIV. Adjournment:

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

Time: 7:13 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Daun Davis
Deputy Administrator/Clerk