

# City of Mansfield

## AGENDA

City Council Meeting Agenda  
October 14, 2019 – 7:00 p.m.  
Mansfield Community House  
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- I. Call to Order:
- II. Agenda Approval:
- III. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance:
- IV. Citizen's Comments on Agenda: *Limited to Agenda Items only for 5 minutes each*
- V. Newton County Sheriff Report: *Deputy Michael Gregg*
- VI. Approval of Minutes:
  - a. September 9, 2019 Council Meeting Minutes
- VII. New Business: *a1. City Center report from Mr. Bruce*
  - a. Pole Attachment License Agreement for Distribution Poles between Mansfield and New Cingular Wireless PSC, LLC, Pole Attachment License Agreement for Distribution Poles between Mansfield and Verizon Wireless (VAW) LLC d/b/a Verizon Wireless, City of Mansfield Electrical Pole Attachment Ordinance, City of Mansfield Wireless Facilities and Antennas Ordinance
  - b. Ordinance Granting Franchise to Snapping Shoals EMC
  - c. Ordinance Amending Section 12-102 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Mansfield Garbage Collection
  - d. Electric Cities of Georgia Year End Settlement and Contract Payment Reimbursement Form Fiscal Year 2019 (FY2019)
  - e. Approve the Northeast Georgia Regional Commissions (NEGRC) to assist the City in updating the Comprehensive Plan required to retain our Qualified Local Government (QLG) status by no later than February 28, 2021
  - f. Planning Commission Vacancies
    - i. Mr Greg Goings
    - ii. Marty Smallwood
- VIII. General Reports:

- IX. Citizen's Comments on Non-Agenda Items: *Limited to 5 minutes each*
- X. Adjournment:

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## MINUTES

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PRESENT: GW Davis Jr, Blair Northen, Perry Lunsford, Helen Robertson, Bryan Hale, Austin Mitchell

OTHERS PRESENT: Miranda Hale, Kory Wilson, David NaDell Sr, Ashley Hollingsworth, Ricky and Rene Bruce, Elsie Smith, John Napoli, Willie Belcher, Viki and Greg Cowan, Paul and Brenda Campbell, Mary Ann Davis, Matt Clark, Jeremiah Phillips, Scott Cole

The meeting was called to order at 7:01PM.

The honorable Mayor GW Davis Jr welcome everyone and announced a revision to the agenda to add VII. New Business item a1. City Center Report from Mr. Bruce. The honorable mayor pro tempore Perry Lunsford made the motion to approve the agenda as revised. Councilman Austin Mitchell gave the second. All council voted 'aye'. The motioned passed 5/0.

Mr. Kory Wilson gave the invocation and the honorable Mayor lead everyone in the pledge of allegiance.

Mansfield resident, Mr. David NaDell, 3145 Hwy 11, shared that the Mansfield Super Seniors has had a flag pole and plaque donated to the City for the City Center by the local chapter of WoodmenLife. He announced a current fundraiser by the seniors for trees in the City Center as well. The last comment Mr. NaDell made was to say that the Mansfield Super Seniors are in their 5<sup>th</sup> year and still growing.

There was no deputy present at-this-time to give the Mansfield report.

The honorable mayor pro tempore Perry Lunsford made the motion to approve the September 9, 2019 Council Meeting Minutes and Councilman Helen Robertson gave the second. All council voted 'aye'. The motion passed 5/0.

The honorable Mayor GW Davis Jr explained that he asked Mr. Bruce to attend the meeting to give and update on the City Center project and to share his concerns. Mr. Ricky Bruce said the electrical conduit has been run and the electrical services have been installed and they will pour for the light poles but will not install them until the landscaping is complete. He commented that he is making no profit with this project and that there was no contingency to ask for extra money, this and equipment problems have slowed the progress of the project down. Mr. Bruce said that he cannot see underground and work in a 120-year-old city without running into unforeseen problems would be a miracle. Mr. Bruce said he hopes to be finished in 4 weeks. He has topsoil coming from St. Paul AME Church on the other side of the county.

Councilman Austin Mitchell made the motion to approve the Pole Attachment License Agreement for Distribution Poles between Mansfield and New Cingular Wireless PSC, LLC, the Pole Attachment License Agreement for Distribution Poles between Mansfield and Verizon Wireless (VAW) LLC d/b/a Verizon Wireless, the City of Mansfield Electrical Pole Attachment Ordinance, and the City of Mansfield Wireless Facilities and Antennas Ordinance. Councilman Blair Northen gave the second. City Attorney, Mr. Scott Cole, reminded the mayor and council of the need to choose an option from Article V Standards of the Wireless Facilities and Antennas Ordinance as discussed in the Work Session on Thursday, October 10, 2019. The council preferred the option Section 5.1.b. New small wireless facilities in the public right of way and collocated on an existing pole or support structure shall not exceed more than ten feet above the existing pole or support structure. The council voted 'aye'. The motion passed 5/0.

Mayor pro tempore Perry Lunsford made the motion to approve the Ordinance Granting Franchise to Snapping Shoals EMC. Councilman Blair Northen gave the second. City Attorney, Mr. Scott Cole, explained that this does not allow infringement in the city's service area. It allows Snapping Shoals EMC to repair their existing lines. The ordinance requires Snapping Shoals EMC to reimburse to the city 5% of their sales from city customers in Snapping Shoals EMC area. All council voted 'aye'. The motion passed 5/0.

Councilman Blair Northen made the motion to approve amending section 12-102 of the City of Mansfield Garbage Collection Ordinance. Councilman Austin Mitchell gave the second. The honorable Mayor explained that while Councilman Northen wanted to amend the ordinance to reduce the cost of an additional garbage can and delete the word "Mandatory", he (the Mayor) felt it was his duty to the residents who remove their garbage responsibility to require a resident who is opting out of the city's garbage collection service to be required to provide an alternative for disposing of their garbage. His concerns are the proper way to administer this change and what constitutes an acceptable alternative. A resident who is opting out of the city's garbage collection service will need to provide proof of a recycling tag, to be verified with the landfill Solid Waste Manger or show a receipt of another hired garbage collection service. In lowering the cost of an additional garbage can, the city hopes to encourage the use of more cans, if needed. The city receives numerous complaints from Burgess Hauling of cans being too full. The council voted 'aye'. The motion passed 5/0.

It was the honorable mayor GW Davis Jr's recommendation to allocate the Electric Cities of Georgia Year End Settlement and Contract Payment Reimbursement Form Fiscal Year 2019 (FY2019) i/a/o \$1,064.46 to the Education, Training & Development Fund. Councilman Austin Mitchell made the motion to include the mayor's recommendation and Councilman Bryan Hale gave the second. All council voted 'aye'. The motion passed 5/0.

The honorable mayor pro tempore Perry Lunsford made the motion to approve the Northeast Georgia Regional Commission (NEGRC) to assist the city of updating the Comprehensive Plan required to retain its Qualified Local Government (QLG) status by no later than February 28, 2021. Councilman Helen Robertson gave the second. All council voted 'aye'. The motion passed 5/0.

The honorable mayor pro tempore Perry Lunsford made the motion to accept the appointment of Mr. Greg Goins and Mr. Marty Smallwood to fill the Planning Commission vacancies. Councilman Austin Mitchell gave the second. The honorable Mayor GW Davis Jr explained that Mr. Bill Robertson and Mr. Chris Fulmer were on their last year of a 3-year term and that it is a 5-member board with a 3-year rotation. The mayor also explained that he has emailed one more person but that he is not ready to commit. Councilman Blair Northen asked if they are all residents of Mansfield to which the mayor answered, "yes". Councilman Northen also asked if the city was making this a requirement. The honorable mayor commented that he thinks it would be a good idea. To allow someone who is not a resident of Mansfield to make decisions that directly affect the residents of Mansfield does not seem appropriate. All council voted 'aye'. The motion passed 5/0.

The honorable mayor GW Davis Jr commented his appreciation for the work of the city employees. Mr. John Napoli, public works supervisor, said all but one of the work orders for street lights have been finished. The honorable mayor also called the councils attention to the City Funds Revenue & Expense report as of 10/14/2019 included in their folders.

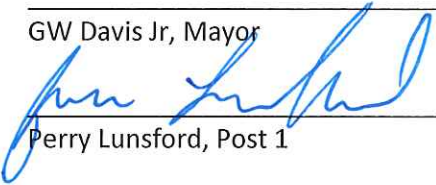
Mr. Kory Wilson, 3433 Hwy 213, commented on his concerns on the amount of social media pages there are that have the word Mansfield in them and the only official city FaceBook page is called City of Mansfield, Georgia.

Noticing that Newton County Deputy Smith entered the meeting room, the honorable Mayor GW Davis Jr asked if she would give her report. Deputy Smith said the sheriff is in a conference at the Turner Lake Complex from 6pm to 8pm on strategic planning. Mayor pro tempore Perry Lunsford asked about the progress on the new precinct in Mansfield. Deputy Smith said they were finishing up but they are waiting on the city center project to be complete as the condition of the roads could pose a safety hazard. Mr. David NaDell said he appreciated the presence of the Newton County Sheriff Department in Mansfield. Deputy Smith shared that they asked for additional help to run more traffic violations and monitor as much as possible.

The honorable Mayor GW Davis Jr said it is his desire to make little problems go away before they become big problems and adjourned the meeting at 8:15PM.

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GW Davis Jr, Mayor

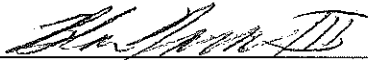


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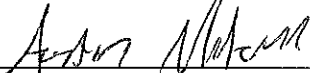
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