

CITY OF MANCHESTER
WORK SESSION COUNCIL MEETING
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2023
12:00 PM
CITY HALL

The City of Manchester held their work session council meeting on Friday, February 17, 2023, at 12:00 pm at City Hall. In attendance were Councilmember Russell Gregory, Councilmember Darnell Hipsher, Councilmember Josh Jackson, Councilmember Betty Meredith, Councilmember Earl Owens, Councilmember Dorothy Sizemore, Councilmember Charles Weaver, and Councilmember Traci White. City Attorney Jenna Corum was also in attendance. Prayer was led by Mark Hoskins and pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America was led by Mayor Steve Collins.

Work session ordinance amendment was first on the agenda brought before the council by Councilmember Darnell Hipsher. Councilmember Hipsher stated that Friday at 12:00 pm is a bad time to have the meeting for those who work. Councilmember Josh Jackson also agrees stating he is short handed on Fridays at work. Council members suggested changing the time and date and put the ordinance amendment on the regular meeting agenda. No action was taken.

Delinquent water bills were next on the agenda brought before the council by Councilmember Traci White. Councilmember White ask about businesses on the list that had not paid, Mayor Collins explained. Mayor Collins stated he is working with individuals in the Oneida area and Daniel Boone Development is helping those as well, discussion followed. No action was taken.

Discussion of opioid money was next on the agenda brought before the council by Councilmember Charles Weaver. Councilmember Weaver ask how much money we are expected to receive, Mayor Collins stated as of right now \$250,000 roughly can change with new lawsuit settlement. Mayor Collins passed out an application that the council is going to be using to disperse their opioid monies, discussion followed. No action was taken.

Stray cats in East Manchester was next on the agenda brought before the council by Councilmember Charles Weaver. Councilmember Weaver stated he gets a lot of calls about stray cats in East Manchester, Mayor Collins stated he has reached out to Forgotten Felines in Corbin as well as Knox County Animal Shelter, no reply as of yet. No action was taken.

Financial statement was next on the agenda brought before the council by Councilmember Charles Weaver. Financial statements was handed out by City Clerk Sarah Woliver, Sarah went over each fund and explained Municipal Revenue and the corrections that need to be made, discussion followed. No action was taken.

Discussion of city parks was next on the agenda brought before the council by Councilmember Dorothy Sizemore. Councilmember Sizemore ask if there was going to be a park committee, Mayor Collins stated he was not sure yet. Mayor Collins informed the council that Vanda Rice is working on signage at the park with grant money we have received as well as other updates, discussion followed. No action was taken.

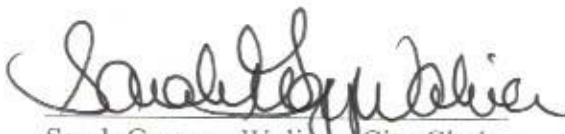
Councilmember Josh Jackson exited the meeting at 12:55 pm.

Next on the agenda was enforcement of garbage ordinance brought before the council by Councilmember Betty Meredith. Councilmember Meredith ask if it could be enforced that the lids of the garbage cans be reapplied after the garbage has been dumped, discussion followed. No action was taken.

With no further business to come before the council at this time the meeting was adjourned with a motion made by Councilmember Betty Meredith.



Steve Collins, Mayor



Sarah Gregory Woliver, City Clerk