

CITY OF MANCHESTER
SPECIAL CALLED CITY COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2023
6:00 PM
CITY HALL

The City of Manchester held a special called city council meeting on Tuesday, January 17, 2023 at 6:00 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. Absent was City Attorney Jenna Corum. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Steve Collins. Prayer was led by Councilmember Earl Owens. pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America was led by Mayor Collins. Mayor Collins thanks Johnny Taylor Smith, Lee Ann Smith, and staff at Little Caesars for the food provided before the council meeting.

Approval of the agenda was next on the agenda. The following item were added to the agenda:

- GPS in city vehicles-Councilmember Charles Weaver

Councilmember Traci White made a motion to approve the agenda with the additional item, seconded by Councilmember Betty Meredith. The roll call vote is as follows:

Russell Gregory-Yes
Darnell Hipsher-Yes
Josh Jackson-Yes
Betty Meredith-Yes
Earl Owens-Yes
Dorothy Sizemore-Yes
Charles Weaver-Yes
Traci White-Yes

The roll call vote shows council members present voting yes. Motion carried.

Approval of regular scheduled city council meeting minutes for December 19, 2022, was the next item on the agenda. Councilmember Charles Weaver made a motion to approve the minutes as presented seconded by Councilmember Earl Owens. The roll call vote is as follows:

Russell Gregory-Yes
Darnell Hipsher-Yes
Josh Jackson-Yes
Betty Meredith-Yes
Earl Owens-Yes
Dorothy Sizemore-Yes

Charles Weaver-Yes
Traci White-Yes

The roll call vote shows council members present voting yes. Motion carried.

Approval of special called city council meeting minutes for January 5, 2023 was the next item on the agenda. Councilmember Darnell Hipsher made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Councilmember Charles Weaver. The roll call vote is as follows:

Russell Gregory-Yes
Darnell Hipsher-Yes
Josh Jackson-Yes
Betty Meredith-Yes
Earl Owens-Yes
Dorothy Sizemore-Yes
Charles Weaver-Yes
Traci White-Yes

The roll call vote shows council members present voting yes. Motion carried.

Approval of work session city council meeting minutes for January 13, 2023, was next on the agenda. Councilmember Traci White stated a name change in the minutes. Councilmember Betty Meredith made a motion to approve the minutes with the stated change, seconded by Councilmember Charles Weaver. The roll call vote is as follows:

Russell Gregory-Yes
Darnell Hipsher-Abstain
Josh Jackson-Abstain
Betty Meredith-Yes
Earl Owens-Yes
Dorothy Sizemore-Yes
Charles Weaver-Yes
Traci White-Yes

The roll call vote shows 2 council members abstain, 6 voting yes. Motion carried.

Jimmy Sizemore was next on the agenda to discuss Bee City USA. Jimmy informed the council the steps that need to be taken to become a Bee City USA town, discussion followed.

Councilmember Darnell Hipsher made a motion to investigate the possibility of the City of Manchester becoming a Bee City and the City of Manchester to pay the \$100 application fee, seconded by Councilmember Charles Weaver. The roll call vote is as follows:

Russell Gregory-Yes

Darnell Hipsher-Yes
Josh Jackson-Yes
Betty Meredith-Yes
Earl Owens-Yes
Dorothy Sizemore-Yes
Charles Weaver-Yes
Traci White-Yes

The roll call vote shows council members present voting yes. Motion carried.

Next on the agenda was GPS on city vehicles brought before the council by Councilmember Charles Weaver. Councilmember Weaver stated the concern to have GPS on vehicles so when questioned if patrolling in a certain area they can confirm they was or wasn't in the area, discussion followed. Councilmember Betty Meredith made a motion to put GPS on all city owned vehicles, seconded by Councilmember Charles Weaver. The roll call vote is as follows:

Russell Gregory-Yes
Darnell Hipsher-Yes
Josh Jackson-Yes
Betty Meredith-Yes
Earl Owens-Yes
Dorothy Sizemore-Yes
Charles Weaver-Yes
Traci White-Yes

The roll call vote shows council members present voting yes. Motion carried.

Firs reading of Amended Garbage Ordinance No. 2023.01.17.01 An Ordinance Replacing Ordinance No. 2022.03.21.03 Relating to Manchester Water Works Garbage Pick Ups brought before the council by Councilmember Charles Weaver. The ordinance was read aloud by Councilmember Earl Owens.

Next on the agenda was cellphones for city council members brought before the council by Councilmember Traci White. Councilmember White stated at a KLC meeting in London they stated if the city was to get sued, they could subpoena their cellphones for use of city business, discussion followed. Councilmember Betty Meredith made a motion to purchase cellphones for city council members, seconded by Councilmember Charles Weaver. The roll call vote is as follows:

Russell Gregory-Yes
Darnell Hipsher-Yes
Josh Jackson-Yes
Betty Meredith-Yes

Earl Owens-Yes
Dorothy Sizemore-Yes
Charles Weaver-Yes
Traci White-Yes

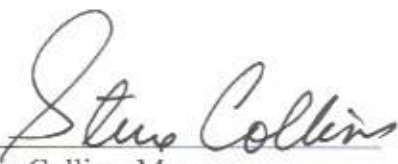
The roll call vote shows council members present voting yes. Motion carried.

Update on Roscoe Marcum property was next on the agenda brought before the council by Councilmember Earl Owens. Mayor Collins stated he reached out to Roscoe about the property on the walking trail and made a offer to purchase, discussion followed.

Discussion of city council pay ordinance was next on the agenda brought before the council by Councilmember Earl Owens. Councilmember Owens stated at a meeting in London with KLC it was mentioned since the council is not currently getting paid they could within their term create an ordinance with pay that will begin in their current term, discussion followed.

Mayor Collins comments was next on the agenda. Mayor Collins informed the council that with lose of employees and cut backs on materials and supplies the city is currently saving more money.

With no further business to come before the council at this time the meeting was adjourned with a motion from Councilmember Darnell Hipsher.


Steve Collins, Mayor


Sarah Gregory Wolver, City Clerk