

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**  
**October 1, 2019**

The First monthly meeting of Mansfield City Council met on Tuesday,  
October 1, 2019 at 7:00 PM in the Council Chambers of the City Building.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by the audience.

Councilman Rock led the audience in prayer.

**ROLL CALL:** The following answered present at roll call: Falquette, Rock, Van Harlingen, Jefferson, Lawrence, Taddie, Bryant, Mears and Scott.

There being no objections, the reading of the Journal and Correspondence was dispensed with.

**Public Comments:**

NONE

**Committee Reports:**

NONE

**MONDAY DEADLINE**

NONE

**SUSPEND RULES**

**MS. TADDIE:** I move with respect to all bills that come before Council tonight that the rule requiring reading on three different days be suspended and that each bill be read one time by title only, seconded by Mr. Rock. The vote was taken and resulted as follows: Ayes: 8, Nays: 0.

**Dedication of New Police Training Facility: “Chief Lawrence E. Harper Training Facility”**

**BY: MR. BRYANT**

**Bill# 19-201**

**ORDINANCE # 19-195**

Recognizing and reaffirming the dedication of new Police Training Facility in honor of the late Chief Lawrence E. Harper as the “Chief Lawrence E. Harper Training Facility” for his many years of dedicated service to the Mansfield Community.

Upon motion by Mr. Bryant, that Bill 19-201 be read and placed upon the floor for discussion, seconded by Mr. Rock. The bill was placed upon the floor for final passage, seconded by Mr. Rock. The vote was taken and resulted as follows: Ayes: 8, Nays: 0

The bill was declared passed, signed by the President, approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

**DISCUSSION: NONE**

**CLAIM: Troy Ernsberger**

**BY: MR. MEARS**

**BILL # 19-202**

**ORDINANCE # 19-196**

Authorizing payment of the claim of Troy Ernsberger, 234 Park Avenue Mansfield, Ohio 44903 and, declaring an emergency.

Upon motion by Mr. Mears that Bill 19-202 be read and placed upon the floor for discussion, seconded by Mr. Rock. The bill was placed upon the floor for final passage, seconded by Mr. Rock. The vote was taken and resulted as follows: Ayes: 8, Nays: 0.

The bill was declared passed, signed by the President, approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

**DISCUSSION: NONE**

**CLAIM: Bruce Young**

**BY: MR. MEARS:**

**BIL#19-203**

**ORDANANCE # 19- 197**

Authorizing payment of the claim of Bruce Young, 863 Greenfield Drive Mansfield, Ohio 44904 and, declaring an emergency.

Upon motion by Mr. Mears, that Bill 19-203 be read and placed upon the floor for discussion, seconded by Mr. Rock. The bill was placed upon the floor for final passage, seconded by Mr. Rock. The vote was taken and resulted as follows: Ayes: 8, Nays: 0

The bill was declared passed, signed by the President, approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

**DISCUSSION: NONE**

**CLAIM: Mary Heminger**

**BY: MR. MEARS:**

**BILL #19-204**

**ORDINANCE # 19- 198**

Authorizing payment of the claim of Mary Heminger, 70 North Linden Road Mansfield, Ohio 44906 and, declaring an emergency.

Upon motion by Mr. Mears that Bill 19-204 be read and placed upon the floor for discussion, seconded by Mr. Rock. The bill was placed upon the floor for final passage, seconded by Mr. Rock. The vote was taken and resulted as follows: Ayes: 6, Nays: 2 Mears and Falquette.

The bill was declared passed, signed by the President, approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

**DISCUSSION:**

**PRESIDENT SCOTT:** Mr. Rock

**COUNCILMAN ROCK:** I previously stated that I would not be supporting this bill, but after coming in light that the back flow inhibitor was installed in two thousand and ten, I believe that it would be past the statute of limitations for her to seek reimbursement, um, from the plumber, and seeing that our colleagues did mention that we have supported other claims, in particular, and similar to this, I will be supporting it.

**PRESIDENT SCOTT:** Anything other discussion?

**COUNCILMAN MEARS:** I would like to make one further comment. The, the Claims that we discussed, to which payment was made, were all partial payments. None of them were paid in their entirety, and this one we are, which makes it different from the rest.

**PRESIDENT SCOTT:** Any other discussion? Mr. Jefferson.

**COUCILMAN JEFFERSON:** Yeah, this is entirety, but this citizen went above and beyond trying not to flooded and the other partial payments were paid when the City wasn't at fault and if these people had a...they didn't even make an effort, so to speak, to not have damage going on... you, uh, a coned off or a repair area, you go in there and damage your vehicle, or you have a home with no drainage in it and never try over a number of years to even get drainage put in it. They didn't do anything to try to not have a claim to the City, but this Citizen did. Just... back to the Chair.

**DEMELITION: 238 Park Ave. West**

**BY: MR. LAWRENCE:**

**BILL # 19-205**

**ORDINANCE # 19- 199**

Declaring the remains of a designated commercial building (238 Park Avenue East) to be insecure, unsafe, structurally defective and dangerous to life and other property; directing the demolition thereof by City forces or contract labor, materials and equipment, and declaring an emergency.

Upon motion by Mr. Lawrence that Bill 19-205 be read and placed upon the floor for discussion, seconded by Mr. Rock. The bill was placed upon the floor for final passage, seconded by Mr. Rock. The vote was taken and resulted as follows: Ayes: 8, Nays: 0.

The bill was declared passed, signed by the President, approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

**DISCUSSION: NONE**

**DEMOLITION: 259 West Fifth Street**

**BY: MR. LAWRENCE:**

**BILL # 19-206**

**ORDINANCE # 19-200**

Declaring the remains of a designated dwelling (259 West Fifth Street) to be insecure, unsafe, structurally defective and dangerous to life and other property; directing the demolition thereof by City forces or contract labor, materials and equipment, and declaring an emergency.

Upon motion by Mr. Lawrence that Bill 19-206 be read and placed upon the floor for discussion, seconded by Mr. Rock. The bill was placed upon the floor for final passage, seconded by Mr. Rock. The vote was taken and resulted as follows: Ayes: 8, Nays: 0.

The bill was declared passed, signed by the President, approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

**DISCUSSION: NONE**

**DEMOLITION: 263 Myers Ave.**

**BY: MR. LAWRENCE:**

**BILL # 19-207**

**ORDINANCE #19-201**

Declaring the remains of a designated dwelling (263 Myers Avenue) to be insecure, unsafe, structurally defective and dangerous to life and other property; directing the demolition thereof by City forces or contract labor, materials and equipment, and declaring an emergency.

Upon motion by Mr. Lawrence that Bill 19-201 be read and placed upon the floor for discussion, seconded by Mr. Rock. The bill was placed upon the floor for final passage, seconded by Mr. Rock. The vote was taken and resulted as follows: Ayes: 8, Nays: 0.

The bill was declared passed, signed by the President, approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

**DISCUSSION: NONE**

**DEMOLITION: 283 W. Longview**

**BY: MR. LAWRENCE:**

**Bill# 19-208**

**ORDINANCE # 19-202**

Declaring the remains of a designated dwelling (283 W. Longview Avenue) to be insecure, unsafe, structurally defective and dangerous to life and other property; directing the demolition thereof by City forces or contract labor, materials and equipment, and declaring an emergency.

Upon motion by Mr. Lawrence, that Bill 19-208 be read and placed upon the floor for discussion, seconded by Mr. Rock. The bill was placed upon the floor for final passage, seconded by Mr. Rock. The vote was taken and resulted as follows: Ayes: 8, Nays: 0

The bill was declared passed, signed by the President, approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

**DISCUSSION: NONE**

**DEMOLITION: 315 West Fifth Street**

**BY: MR. LAWRENCE:**

**BILL # 19-209**

**ORDINANCE # 19-203**

Declaring the remains of a designated dwelling (315 West Fifth Street) to be insecure, unsafe, structurally defective and dangerous to life and other property; directing the demolition thereof by City forces or contract labor, materials and equipment and declaring an emergency.

Upon motion by Mr. Lawrence that Bill 19-203 be read and placed upon the floor for discussion, seconded by Mr. Rock. The bill was placed upon the floor for final passage, seconded by Mr. Rock. The vote was taken and resulted as follows: Ayes: 8, Nays: 0.

The bill was declared passed, signed by the President, approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

**DISCUSSION: NONE**

**DEMOLITION: 871 Bowman Street**

**BY: MR. LAWRENCE:**

**BIL#19-210**

**ORDANANCE # 19- 204**

Declaring the remains of a designated dwelling (871 Bowman Street) to be insecure, unsafe, structurally defective and dangerous to life and other property; directing the demolition thereof by City forces or contract labor, materials and equipment, and declaring an emergency.

Upon motion by Mr. Lawrence, that Bill 19-210 be read and placed upon the floor for discussion, seconded by Mr. Rock. The bill was placed upon the floor for final passage, seconded by Mr. Rock. The vote was taken and resulted as follows: Ayes: 8, Nays: 0

The bill was declared passed, signed by the President, approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

**DISCUSSION:**

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**BY: MR. JEFFERSON:**

**BILL #19-211**

**ORDINANCE # 19- 205**

The following Ordinance enacted by the City of Mansfield of Richland County, Ohio, hereinafter referred to as the City, in the manner of the stated described project.

Upon motion by Mr. Jefferson, that Bill 19-211 be read and placed upon the floor for discussion, seconded by Mr. Rock. The bill was placed upon the floor for final passage, seconded by Mr. Rock. The vote was taken and resulted as follows: Ayes: 8, Nays: 0

The bill was declared passed, signed by the President, approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

**DISCUSSION: NONE**

**ACCEPT GIFT OF TREES: From Chuck Hahn; Two Ginko Trees on Fourth Street**

**BY: MR. JEFFERSON:**

**BILL # 19-212**

**ORDINANCE # 19- 206**

Authorizing the City of Mansfield to accept a gift from Mr. Chuck Hahn for the purchase and planting of two (2) Ginkgo trees on Fourth Street, and declaring an emergency.

Upon motion by Mr. Jefferson that Bill 19-212 be read and placed upon the floor for discussion, seconded by Mr. Rock. The bill was placed upon the floor for final passage, seconded by Mr. Rock. The vote was taken and resulted as follows: Ayes: 8, Nays: 0.

The bill was declared passed, signed by the President, approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

**DISCUSSION: NONE**

**DONATION: \$1,500.00 from Jessica VanBuskirk & Bryan Damron of True Blue Dumpsters**



**BY: MR. VAN HARLINGEN:**

**BILL # 19-213**

**ORDINANCE # 19-207**

Authorizing the Safety-Service Director to accept and appropriate a donation of one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500) from Jessica VanBuskirk and Bryan Damron of True Blue Dumpsters, and declaring an emergency.

Upon motion by Mr. Van Harlingen that Bill 19-213 be read and placed upon the floor for discussion, seconded by Mr. Rock. The bill was placed upon the floor for final passage, seconded by Mr. Rock. The vote was taken and resulted as follows: Ayes: 8, Nays: 0.

The bill was declared passed, signed by the President, approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

**DISCUSSION: NONE**

**TRANSFERING APPROPRIATIONS: (\$3,300) Within the Safety Service Fund**

**BY: MR. VAN HARLINGEN**

**BILL # 19-214**

**ORDINANCE #19-208**

Transferring appropriations in the amount of three thousand three hundred dollars (\$3,300) within the Safety-Service Fund (#214), and declaring an emergency.

Upon motion by Mr. Van Harlingen that Bill 19-214 be read and placed upon the floor for discussion, seconded by Mr. Rock. The bill was placed upon the floor for final passage, seconded by Mr. Rock. The vote was taken and resulted as follows: Ayes: 8, Nays: 0.

The bill was declared passed, signed by the President, approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

**DISCUSSION: NONE**

**AUTHORIZING PAYMENT: To the City of Ontario; Payment for Resurfacing**

**BY: VAN HARLINGEN:**

**Bill# 19-215**

**ORDINANCE # 19-209**

Authorizing payment to the City of Ontario in the amount of forty-eight thousand six hundred four and 80/100 dollars (\$48,604.80) by affirming a Then and Now Certificate of the Finance Director, and declaring an emergency.

Upon motion by Mr. Van Harlingen, that Bill 19-215 be read and placed upon the floor for discussion, seconded by Mr. Rock. The bill was placed upon the floor for final passage, seconded by Mr. Rock. The vote was taken and resulted as follows: Ayes: 8, Nays: 0

The bill was declared passed, signed by the President, approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

**DISCUSSION: NONE**

**ACCEPT FUNDING: (\$250,000.00) From National Institute of Justice/Forensic DNA Back Log Reduction Program**

**BY: VAN HARLINGEN:**

**BILL # 19-216**

**ORDINANCE # 19-210**

Authorizing the Mayor and Chief of Police to accept funding from the National Institute of Justice under the Forensic DNA Backlog Reduction Program (FY 2019) in the amount of two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000), and declaring an emergency.

Upon motion by Mr. Van Harlingen that Bill 19-216 be read and placed upon the floor for discussion, seconded by Mr. Rock. The bill was placed upon the floor for final passage, seconded by Mr. Rock. The vote was taken and resulted as follows: Ayes: 8, Nays: 0.

The bill was declared passed, signed by the President, approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

**DISCUSSION: NONE**

**PULLED**

**BY: MR. JEFFERSON:**

**BIL#19-217**

**ORDANANCE # PULLED**

Authorizing the Safety-Service Director to enter into a lease with the Oasis of Love Church for the use of certain portions of the City-owned building known as 445 Bowman Street, for a term of one (1) year commencing January 1, 2019, and declaring an emergency.

**PULLED**

**DISCUSSION: NONE**

**INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS: For income tax refunds for remainder of 2019**

**BY: MR. VAN HARLINGEN:**

**BILL #19-218**

**ORDINANCE # 19- 211**

Increasing appropriations from various unappropriated funds for income tax refunds for the remainder of 2019, and declaring an emergency.

Upon motion by Mr. Van Harlingen that Bill 19-218 be read and placed upon the floor for discussion, seconded by Mr. Rock. The bill was placed upon the floor for final passage, seconded by Mr. Rock. The vote was taken and resulted as follows: Ayes: 8, Nays: 0.

The bill was declared passed, signed by the President, approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

**DISCUSSION: NONE**

**AUTHORIZING FINANCE FOR IT IMPROVMENTS**

**BY: MR. VAN HARLINGEN:**

**BILL # 19-219**

**ORDINANCE # 19- 212**

Authorizing the Mayor to enter into a lease/purchase agreement through Key Government Finance for an IT Improvement Project, and declaring an emergency.

Upon motion by Mr. Lawrence that Bill 19-219 be read and placed upon the floor for discussion, seconded by Mr. Rock. The bill was placed upon the floor for final passage, seconded by Mr. Rock. The vote was taken and resulted as follows: Ayes: 8, Nays: 0.

The bill was declared passed, signed by the President, approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

**DISCUSSION: NONE**

**AUTHORIZING FUNDS FROM GENERAL FUND FOR IT IMPROVEMENTS**

**BY: MR. VAN HARLINGEN:**

**BILL # 19-220**

**ORDINANCE # 19-213**

Authorizing the advance of funds from the General Fund to the Information Technology Fund for the purpose of providing resources for the first annual payment related to the 2019 IT Improvement Project, and declaring an emergency.

Upon motion by Mr. Van Harlingen that Bill 19-220 be read and placed upon the floor for discussion, seconded by Mr. Rock. The bill was placed upon the floor for final passage, seconded by Mr. Rock. The vote was taken and resulted as follows: Ayes: 8, Nays: 0.

The bill was declared passed, signed by the President, approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

**DISCUSSION: NONE**

**APPROPRIATION: UPDATING IT SECURITY AND SERVER INFRASTRUCTURE**

**BY: MR. VAN HARLINGEN:**

**BILL # 19-221**

**ORDINANCE #19-214**

Appropriating the sum of three hundred twelve thousand eight hundred fifty-four and 05/100 dollars (\$312,854.05) from the unappropriated Information Technology Fund (#602) for the purpose of updating the IT Security and Server infrastructure, and declaring an emergency.

Upon motion by Mr. Van Harlingen that Bill 19-221 be read and placed upon the floor for discussion, seconded by Mr. Rock. The bill was placed upon the floor for final passage, seconded by Mr. Rock. The vote was taken and resulted as follows: Ayes: 8, Nays: 0.

The bill was declared passed, signed by the President, approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

**DISCUSSION: NONE**

**AMENDING PERSONNEL ORDINACE (19-008): Laborers From Grade 9 to Grade 11**

**BY: MS. TADDIE:**

**Bill# 19-222**

**ORDINANCE # 19-215**

Amending the Personnel Ordinance 19-008 to increase the grade classification of Laborers from a Grade 9 to a Grade 11, and to correct an inadvertent number in Section 21 of the Parks Department, declaring an emergency.

Upon motion by Ms. Taddie, that Bill 19-222 be read and placed upon the floor for discussion, seconded by Mr. Rock. The bill was placed upon the floor for final passage, seconded by Mr. Rock. The vote was taken and resulted as follows: Ayes: 8, Nays: 0

The bill was declared passed, signed by the President, approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

**DISCUSSION: NONE**

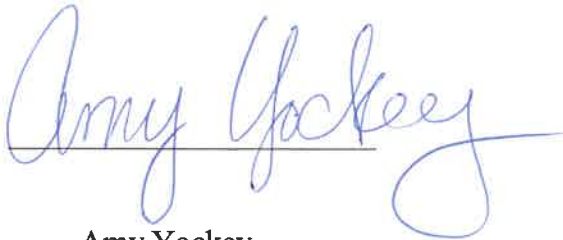
**PRESIDENT SCOTT:** Is there anything else to come before Council this evening?

**COUNCILMAN FALQUETTE:** Just real quick, Mr. President, I just want to say that I think that we've gone at least two meeting with NO emer.. or uh, late (inaudible) Council Legislation, whoever's doin' it, whatever department heads are doin', it's really nice to have everything on time. With that....

**COUNCILMAN LAWRENCE:** Mr. Bianchi, don't leave. I gotta couple point for ya.

**PRESIDENT SCOTT:** Anything else to come before Council?

**ADJOURN:** Upon motion by Mr. Falquette, seconded by Mr. Rock, and passed by voice vote, the meeting was adjourned.



Amy Yockey  
Clerk of Council



Phillip Scott  
President