

CITY OF MANCHESTER  
BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN  
Meeting Minutes  
June 3, 2025, @ 6:30 pm  
City Hall Board Room

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen met in regular session at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room at Manchester City Hall. The meeting was presided over by Mayor Hobbs. Present for the meeting were Mayor Hobbs, Alderman French, Alderman Crosslin, Vice Mayor Messick, Alderman Parsley, Alderman Anderson, Alderman Threet, Attorney Johnson, Executive Administrative Assistant Keele, Finance Director Burrows, MWSD Director Perry, Parks/Rec. Director Fox, I.S. Technician Erica Scott, MPD Chief Sipe, MPD Assistant Chief Floied, MFD Assistant Chief Tyler Hickerson, Public Works Assistant Director Moore, City Engineer Adam Carter, Coffee County Industrial Board Director Anne Majors, Community Development & Zoning Director Brittany Fiske. Absent was Public Works Director Gannon, MFD Chief Chambers, and I.S. Director Smotherman. Meeting opened with a prayer by Pastor Levensgood, and the pledge to the flag was spoken in unison. Mayor Hobbs called the meeting to order.

**ROLL CALL:**

Roll was taken via Open Meetings program. All present.

**MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA:** Alderman Crosslin made a motion to approve the agenda and seconded by Alderman Anderson. The motion passed 6-0.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Alderman Crosslin made a motion to approve the May 6, 2025 BOMA Meeting & BOMA Beer Board Minutes; May 15, 2025 BOMA Special Call Meeting Minutes; and seconded by Alderman Anderson. The minutes passed 6-0.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** none

**COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS:** Steve Malenowski from State of TN Historical Commission spoke against the Peoples Bank ordinance.

**COMMENTS FROM MAYOR:** Mayor Hobbs welcomed everyone.

**Safety Committee-** Assistant Fire Chief Hickerson discussed the MFD May report. Chief Sipe discussed May events Bonnaroo.

**Finance Committee-** Director Burrows discussed the FY 2025-2026 Budget; and the May Finance meeting.

**Street Committee-** Assistant Director Kristina Moore discussed open positions and next meeting would be 6-12-25

**Water /Sewer Commission-** Director Perry discussed the next meeting would be 6-5-25 and discussed May report for the MWSD.

**Recreation Commission-** Director Fox discussed May events, and upcoming events.

**Tourism-** Vice Mayor Messick discussed the Good Friends Fest and June meeting has been cancelled.

**Planning & Zoning Commission-** Director Fiske discussed next meeting would be 6-15-25, and agenda would be going out.

**Information Systems Committee-** Mayor Hobbs discussed Tinnie Smitherman's retirement.

**Historic Zoning Commission-** Director Fiske stated the next meeting has been cancelled.

\*Attorney Johnson discussed with the board the "Statement of Interest" relating to the FY 2025-2026 Budget Ordinance. Alderman Crosslin, Alderman French, and Alderman Parsley declared an indirect interest.

**RESOLUTIONS & ORDINANCES**

**Resolutions:**

- a) A resolution of the Board of Mayor and Alderman of the City of Manchester granting permission to dissolve the Greater Manchester Economic Development Corporation, all in accordance with state law; sponsored by Alderman Crosslin. Alderman Anderson made a motion to approve and seconded by Alderman Crosslin. Mayor Hobbs opened the floor to discussion and Alderman French spoke if the board had concerned not funding instead of dissolving. Mayor Hobbs discussed funding was not in the budget. Mayor Hobbs called for the roll. The resolution passed 5-1 with Alderman French voting nay.
- b) A resolution authorizing a contract to sublease the Conference Center for a one (1) year term from the PBA: sponsored by Mayor Hobbs. Alderman Crosslin made a motion to approve and seconded by Vice Mayor Messick. Mayor Hobbs opened the floor to discussion. Alderman Anderson discussed the PBA contract. Mayor Hobbs called for the roll. The resolution passed 5-1 with Alderman Anderson voting nay.
- c) A resolution adopting a Plan of Services preliminary to Annexation of property owned by Richard Agbigor, located on Gilley Circle; sponsored by Vice Mayor Messick. Alderman French made a motion to approve and seconded by Alderman Crosslin. Mayor Hobbs opened the floor to a public hearing and after none called for the roll. The resolution passed 5-1 with Alderman Anderson voting nay.
- d) A resolution Annexing property owned by Richard Agbigor, located at Gilley Circle; sponsored by Vice Mayor Messick. Alderman French made a motion to approve and seconded by Vice Mayor Messick. Mayor Hobbs opened the floor to a public hearing and neighboring resident Ricky Chrisie spoke opposed to the development. Coffee County resident Sarah Bradley spoke

- opposed. Neighboring resident Kathy Hyett and Milton Freeze spoke opposing the development. A discussion ensued with the BOMA. Alderman Anderson stated she would be voting no and discussed her opposition. Mayor Hobbs called for the roll and the resolution passed 4-1 with Alderman Anderson voting nay and Alderman French abstaining.
- e) A resolution adopting a Plan of Services preliminary to Annexation of One and Ninety-Seven/Hundredths (1.97) Acres of property owned by Manchester Villas, LLC, located on 3180 Murfreesboro Hwy; sponsored by Vice Mayor Messick. Alderman Crosslin made a motion to approve and seconded by Vice Mayor Messick. Mayor Hobbs opened the floor to a public hearing and after none called for the roll. The resolution passed 4-1 with Alderman Anderson voting nay and Alderman French abstaining.
  - f) A resolution Annexing One and 97/100 (1.97) Acres of property owned by Manchester Villas, LLC, located at 3180 Murfreesboro Highway; sponsored by Vice Mayor Messick. Vice Mayor Messick made a motion to approve and seconded by Alderman Crosslin. Mayor Hobbs opened the floor to a public hearing and Coffee County resident Sarah Bradley spoke. Mayor Hobbs called for the roll and the resolution passed 4-1 with Alderman Anderson voting nay and Alderman French abstaining.
  - g) A resolution renaming “Substation Lane” to “Phillips Drive”; sponsored by Vice Mayor Messick. Alderman Anderson made a motion to approve and seconded by Alderman Crosslin. Mayor Hobbs opened the floor to discussion and after none called for the roll. The resolution passed 6-0.
  - h) A resolution accepting Creek Wood Road in Springhouse Villas Development as a City Street; sponsored by Vice Mayor Messick. Alderman Crosslin made a motion to approve and seconded by Alderman Parsley. Mayor Hobbs opened the floor to discussion and after none called for the roll. The resolution passed 5-1 with Alderman Anderson voting nay.

**Ordinances:**

- a) 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of an ordinance adding provisions to Manchester Municipal Code 4-603 regarding Assistant Fire Chief vehicle “Take Home” policy; sponsored by Alderman French. Alderman Anderson made a motion to approve and seconded by Alderman French. Mayor Hobbs opened the floor to discussion and after none called for the roll. The ordinance passed 2<sup>nd</sup> and final reading 6-0.
- b) 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of an ordinance amending the budget ordinance for fiscal year 2024-25, Ordinance no. 1726; sponsored by Alderman Crosslin. Vice Mayor Messick made a motion to approve and seconded by Alderman French. Mayor Hobbs opened the floor to a public hearing and after none called for the roll. The ordinance passed 2<sup>nd</sup> and final reading 5-1 with Alderman French voting nay.
- c) 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of an ordinance to revise Title 14 Chapter 12 of Manchester Municipal Code, Stormwater Ordinance; sponsored by Vice Mayor Messick. Alderman French made a motion to approve and seconded by Alderman Crosslin. Mayor Hobbs opened the floor to a public hearing and called for the roll. The ordinance passed 2<sup>nd</sup> and final reading 6-0.
- d) 1<sup>st</sup> reading of an ordinance of the City of Manchester, Tennessee adopting a budget for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026; sponsored by Mayor Hobbs. Alderman Crosslin made a motion to approve and seconded by Vice Mayor Messick. Mayor Hobbs opened the floor to discussion and after none called for the roll. The ordinance passed 1<sup>st</sup> reading 5-1 with Alderman Anderson voting nay.
- e) 1<sup>st</sup> reading of an ordinance rezoning that property owned by Richard Agbigor, on Gilley Circle and recently annexed into the City amended from RS-1 to R-4 Map 068 Parcel 055.00; sponsored by Vice Mayor Messick. Alderman French made a motion to approve and seconded by Vice Mayor Messick. Mayor Hobbs opened the floor to discussion. A discussion ensued and Alderman Threet stated he would be no voting on any 4’s. Mayor Hobbs called for the roll and the motion passed 4-3 with Mayor Hobbs breaking the tie. Alderman Anderson, Alderman Crosslin, and Alderman Threet voted nay.
- f) 1st reading of an ordinance rezoning that property owned by Richard Agbigor, on Gilley Circle and recently annexed into the City amended from RS-1 to R-4; Map 068F, Group B, Parcels 017.00, 018.00, and 019.00; sponsored by Vice Mayor Messick. Alderman French made a motion to approve and seconded by Vice Mayor Messick. Mayor Hobbs opened the floor to discussion and called for the roll. The ordinance failed 0-6 With Alderman Anderson, Alderman Crosslin, Alderman Threet, Alderman French, Vice Mayor Messick, and Alderman Parsley voting nay.
- g) 1st reading of an ordinance rezoning that property owned by Richard Agbigor, on Gilley Circle and recently annexed into the City amended from RS-1 to R-1: Map 068F, Group B, Parcels 017.00, 018.00, and 019.00; sponsored by Vice Mayor Messick. Alderman French made a motion to approve and seconded by Vice Mayor Messick. Mayor Hobbs opened the floor to discussion and called for the roll. The ordinance passed 1<sup>st</sup> reading 5-0 with Alderman Anderson abstaining.
- h) 1<sup>st</sup> reading of an ordinance rezoning that property owned by Manchester Villas, LLC, on 3180 Murfreesboro Highway to C-3 and recently annexed into the City; sponsored by Vice Mayor Messick. Alderman French made a motion to approve and seconded by Alderman Crosslin.

Mayor Hobbs opened the floor to discussion and called for the roll. The ordinance passed 1<sup>st</sup> reading 5-0 with Alderman Anderson abstaining.

- i) 1<sup>st</sup> reading of an ordinance to amend Manchester Municipal Code 14-809 and 14-810 relative to Annexation, Zoning, and Subdivision Fees; sponsored by Vice Mayor Messick. Alderman French made a motion to approve and seconded by Alderman Crosslin. Mayor Hobbs opened the floor to discussion and called for the roll. Director Fiske spoke to the BOMA regarding the fee changes. Mayor Hobbs called for the roll. The ordinance passed 1<sup>st</sup> reading 4-2 with Vice Mayor Messick and Alderman Parsley voting nay.
- j) 1<sup>st</sup> reading of an ordinance amending the Manchester Municipal Code by deleting the current 3 and adding a new Chapter 3 to Title 13, Property Maintenance Regulations; sponsored by Vice Mayor Messick. Alderman French made a motion to approve and seconded by Alderman Anderson. Mayor Hobbs opened the floor to discussion and called for the roll. The ordinance passed 1<sup>st</sup> reading 6-0.
- k) 1<sup>st</sup> reading of an ordinance rezoning property owned by Peoples Bank and Trust Company on Highway 41 out of the Historic District; sponsored by Alderman Threet. Alderman French made a motion to approve and seconded by Alderman Crosslin. Mayor Hobbs opened the floor to discussion and a discussion ensued. Alderman French discussed the importance of committee and commissions and serving on these committees/commissions. Mayor Hobbs called for the roll and the ordinance passed 1<sup>st</sup> reading 4-3 with Mayor Hobbs breaking the tie. Alderman Anderson, Alderman French, and Vice Mayor Messick voted nay.

**OLD BUSINESS** -none

**NEW BUSINESS** -

- Job Description City Engineer & Part-Time Mayor's Office Assistant -Alderman French made a motion to approve and seconded by Alderman Crosslin. Mayor Hobbs opened the floor to discussion and called for the roll. The job descriptions passed 6-0.

**COMMENTS FROM BOMA:** Alderman French asked to go back to resolution g and give the family an offer to name it Jack Phillip Lane. Alderman Crosslin made a motion and seconded by Alderman French. The motion passed 6-0. Alderman French discussed ordinance k and the importance of serving on a committee/commission.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

- Being no further business to discuss, Mayor Hobbs asked for a motion to adjourn and Alderman French made the motion. The motion was seconded by Alderman Crosslin. The motion to adjourn was passed 4-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:49p.m.

**SIGNATURES:**

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**Mayor Joey Hobbs**

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**Executive Administrative Assistant Keele**