



Manning Matters

January 2016

The State of Our City...

We have recently completed several projects, and currently have several underway.

The Waste Water Treatment Plant Upgrade (Phase 1) has been completed, and Phase 2 is in process. This is a 3 phase project that will increase our wastewater treatment capacity from 2.5 to 5 million gallons per day. The total cost for three phases is 21 million and our payment to USDA is \$41,161 mo/40 years. The proposed completion date is summer of 2017.

Our Fire station renovation and addition is complete. The purpose of this project was to provide our firemen and up-fit our station with better accommodations and modern emergency management tools. I'm proud to say that we've accomplished that goal, and the city now has one the finest station in the state for municipalities of our size. The total cost of this project was approximately \$935,000 and our payment is \$40,000 annually.

The West Manning Water Improvement Project is in process. This is a 100% Rural Infrastructure

Authority Grant in the amount of \$370,000. Several water lines in the Western section of town have been upgraded, providing increased water pressure and better fire protection; the second part of this project is renovation and painting of the Keitt Street water storage tank.

We're also continuing to work on the Mill Street Streetscape Project. The purpose of this project is to enhance both sides of Mill Street from Boyce Street down to Rigby Street, to include sidewalks, lighting, and landscaping. This project is funded by a \$240,000 SC Department of Transportation Enhancement Grant and Transportation funds from Clarendon County. This project should begin in the summer of 2016.

The City is also creating a Municipal Parking Lot behind City Hall. This project is nearing completion and should be ready for use by the end of the month. It was paid for through a \$120,000 grant from Clarendon County Transportation Committee.

The Fleming Community Revitalization Project should get

underway in the spring of 2016. The purpose of this project is to rid the city of 15 dilapidated structures. This project is funded by a \$230,000 Community Development Block Grant. The proposed completion date is December 2016.

The City has also been awarded funding through the Clarendon County Transportation committee in the amount of \$207,000 to install a sidewalk on Huggins Street. The new sidewalk will be installed from Fellowship Church to Bellewood Court. This provides a much safer environment as students walk this route regularly.

For those of you that would like to have your personal photo of the water tower downtown, please take your pictures before mid January. This water tower will be painted with the new city logo.

As always, I would like to thank each of you for your contribution in making our city true to its motto: "Matchless for Beauty and Hospitality".

The People's Mayor,

Julia A. Nelson

Day of Service

Join the City of Manning in honoring Martin Luther King, Jr., with a Day of Service. Give back to your community by helping with a litter pick up, on Monday, January 18, 2016 at 10 am. Meet in the parking lot of 102 S. Mill Street, County Judicial Center at 10 am, bags & gloves will be provided.



Public Notice: City of Manning General Election

NOTICE: The Municipal Election Commission of the City of Manning announces the general election for the City of Manning to be Tuesday, April 5, 2016.

The following offices shall be included in this election:

Mayor for term expiring April 2020

Councilmember from District 1 for term expiring April 2020

Councilmember from District 4 for term expiring April 2020

Councilmember from District 6 for term expiring April 2020

People desiring to vote in the upcoming election must be registered by March 5, 2016. To register, one must contact the County Board of Voter Registration.

POLLING PLACES:

Manning # 1 Weldon Auditorium at 7 Maple Street

Manning #2 Cypress Center at 50 Hospital Street

Manning #3 County Council Chamber at 411 Sunset Drive

Manning #4 Billie S. Fleming Protective Services Bldg. at 42 West Boyce Street

Manning #5 Manning Methodist Church at 17 Rigby Street

The polls listed above will be open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m.

At 9:00 a.m. on said election day the poll managers will begin examination of the absentee ballot return

envelopes. This examination will be held at the Clarendon County Administration Office, Office of Voter Registration, 411 Sunset Drive, Manning, South Carolina.

STATEMENT OF CANDIDATES:

Citizens desiring to be candidates for one of the above listed offices may file at City Hall at 29 West Boyce Street. Books will be open for filing at noon on January 11, 2016 and remain open until noon January 15, 2016. The filing fee for the office of Mayor is \$100. The filing fee for the office of Council is \$50.00.

This is a nonpartisan election and no party affiliation shall be placed on the ballot.

People wishing to qualify by petition must file their petition by noon on January 21, 2016. There is no filing fee for petition.

The unofficial results of the election will be announced at Election Central, 20 West Keitt Street, on April 5, 2016 following the closing of the polls.

On Thursday, April 7, 2016, at 10:00 a.m., at Election Central, 20 West Keitt Street, the Municipal Election Commission will hold a hearing to determine the validity of ballots challenged in this election. After the hearing on challenged ballots, the Municipal Election Commission will certify the results of the election.

Any run-off will be held two weeks after the election on Tuesday, April 19, 2016.

City of Manning Municipal Election Commission: Beatrice Simon, Gerald Wilder, Margaret Walker



Character Word of the Month

The character word of the month for January is gratitude. Gratitude is the quality of being thankful; readiness to show appreciation for and to return kindness. Be sure to show gratitude to those around you.

Gratitude
is the best
Attitude

Main Street Manning

This year we hope that you resolve to Check Manning First for many of your purchases. Shopping in Manning makes our community better. You just might be surprised at what you find when you Check Manning First.

