

APPROVED MINUTES
MANCHESTER VILLAGE COUNCIL
NOVEMBER 7, 2016
7:00 PM Village Room

President Vaillencourt called the regular meeting of the Manchester Village Council to order at 7:00 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Council members present: Dresch, Way, DuRussel, Chartrand, Andrews, Woods and Vaillencourt. Council members absent: None. Also present were Manager Wallace, Clerk Schaible, Gary Wiedmayer (DPW), Mike Austin, Denise Collins, Joe Jarvis and Mike Brown.

The minutes of the October 17, 2016 regular meeting were approved on a motion by Dresch, seconded by Chartrand.

AGENDA – The agenda was approved as amended: deleting Old Business; adding New Business items 7B) No Truck Signs, 7C) Manchester Seniors, and 7D) ZBA Hearing Date; deleting 10)Treasurer’s Report and deleting Committee Reports- 11A) Sheriff, 11B) Solid Waste & Recycling, 11D) Planning, 11F) Healthy Communities, 11G) Joint Planning, 11H) Building, 11I) Personnel, 11J) Finance on a motion by Dresch, seconded by Chartrand.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION- None

OLD BUSINESS- None

NEW BUSINESS

CHRISTMAS IN THE VILLAGE PARADE- Denise Collins presented the plans for this year’s parade. She reported that the route is the same as last year and she has coordinated plans with Sgt. Cook. Collins also noted that the Mill owner has given permission to use the porch for Santa. A motion was made by Chartrand, supported by Dresch, that the parade closures be approved as presented. Motion passed

NO TRUCK SIGNS- Vaillencourt reported that the pastor at Emanuel Church had contacted her regarding trucks turning around in the church’s parking lot. He requested “No Truck Signs” be posted. Wallace noted that the issue is usually with drivers who are lost or their GPS has guided them incorrectly and that signage would not help. He reported that measures have been taken, including communicating with Scrap Masters regarding their truck drivers and asking the Pastor to call the police when he sees this happening. Vaillencourt agreed to respond back asking him to call 911.

MANCHESTER SENIORS- Vaillencourt reported that she had attended a meeting with the Manchester Area Senior Citizens Council and the Wellness Coalition regarding a \$4000 grant opportunity. The grant would support surveys, data collection, presentation and follow-up. She expressed her willingness to work with the Seniors to facilitate the grant and work together to strengthen the program for the whole community. Vaillencourt reported that the Village would need to be the fiduciary agent for the grant. A motion was made by Way, supported by Dresch, that the Village accept the fiduciary responsibility for a \$4000, Wellness Coalition grant to support senior citizen programs in the Manchester area. Roll call vote: ayes-all. Motion carried.

ZBA HEARING DATE- Vaillencourt indicated the Appeal to the Zoning Board of Appeals

made by River Raisin Distillery, LLC. and noted that the date of the public hearing would be December 5, 2016 at 7:30 PM.

CORRESPONDENCE- Council acknowledged the following correspondence:

- Information regarding farmer-led conservation in the western Lake Erie basin.
- A letter regarding rate increases for general legal services from Victor Lillich.
- Manchester Wellness Coalition long range action plans.
- The October 2016 police services monthly report.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE – Council reviewed the payables list. A motion was made by Dresch, seconded by Chartrand, to approve for payment the list dated 11/07/2016 totaling \$96,970.17. Roll call vote: ayes-all. Motion carried.

REPORTS

PARKS- DuRussel reported that he and Sue Gleason had met and formed an agenda for the November 28 meeting to review the 5-year Parks Plan. He also thanked the crew who removed the trees and brush from the Buss property last weekend.

DDA- Vaillencourt reported that with the Washtenaw County decision to disband the economic development department, new Public Act 88 funding would not be available. Funding that was left from last year has been offered on a first come basis and the Manchester DDA has agreed to take the lead on a \$5500 grant approved to Manchester for putting business district and agricultural development into action. The grant includes \$1500 in kind support and a \$500 match from the DDA.

DPW- Wiedmayer presented his report. He added that leaf pick-up has started and is going forward. He also reported that the chemical foaming that kills roots in sewer mains was applied last week and should work within 6 weeks. He will monitor the manhole near the fire station to confirm. Wallace requested reduction in days the DPW grinds leaves at Wurster Park as a resident has complained. Wiedmayer thanked Way and DuRussel for their help on the leaf crew.

MANAGER - Wallace presented his report. Council discussed Sgt. Cook's response and safety concerns to the issue of parking on the north side of E. Main Street. Way felt the reduction in speed due to narrow lanes and additional parking for events was missed in the evaluation. He would like to continue the discussion when Sgt. Cook is present. Wallace also presented the Michigan Municipal League fact sheet on new state laws governing Medical Marijuana. He noted that it would be up to Council to adopt an ordinance approving dispensaries in the Village.

There being no further business, President Vaillencourt adjourned the meeting at 8:22PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Julie Schaible, Clerk