

APPROVED MINUTES  
MANCHESTER VILLAGE COUNCIL  
March 5<sup>TH</sup>, 2018  
7:00 PM Village Room

President Vaillencourt called the regular meeting of the Manchester Village Council to order at 7:00pm with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Council members present: Vaillencourt, Andrews, Dresch, Way, Chartrand, DuRussel and Woods. Council members absent: None. Also present were Manager Wallace, Brent Jones (DPW), Neal Biletdeaux (SmithGroupJJR), John Stedman and Andy Mahony (Manchester Men's Club) and Ron Fielder.

The minutes of the February 19th, 2018 regular meeting were approved on a motion by Way, seconded by DuRussel.

**AGENDA** – The agenda was approved as amended: adding Old Business Items C) Shared Use Trail and D) Trees; and deleting Reports: A) Sheriff; C) Planning Commission; D) Downtown Development Authority; E) Healthy Communities/Wellness Coalition; F) Joint Planning Commission, G) Building Committee; H) Personnel Committee; I) Finance Committee on a motion by Dresch, seconded by Chartrand.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**- John Stedman and Andy Mahony, of the Men's Club, requested permission to use Carr Park for the Easter Egg Hunt on March 31<sup>st</sup>. They also requested the use of Carr Park for the Fireworks and Beer Tent on July 3<sup>rd</sup>, with set-up on July 2<sup>nd</sup> and a rain date of July 4<sup>th</sup>. A motion was made by Dresch, seconded by Woods, that Carr Park be reserved for the Easter Egg hunt as presented. Roll call vote: ayes-all. Motion passed. A motion was made by Way, seconded by DuRussel, that the use of Carr Park be approved for the annual fireworks show as presented, contingent upon the Village being named as an additional insured on the liquor and liability insurance obtained by the Men's Club. Roll call vote: ayes-all. Motion passed.

**OLD BUSINESS**-

**WASHTENAW COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT**- Wallace reported that Washtenaw Solid Waste Management will present information at the April 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting.

**RAISIN PARK CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT**-Biletdeaux presented the contract regarding the River Raisin Park construction. Concerns were voiced regarding the delay in the project. It was noted that the dredging and construction would both be done before winter.

Biletdeaux did agree to increase the construction meetings from 6 to at least 12 visits during construction. A motion was made by Dresch, seconded by Chartrand, to approve the SmithGroupJJR contract for design development, construction documents, bids and construction observation in the amount of \$48,000. Roll call vote; ayes-all. Motion passed.

**SHARED USE TRAIL**- Council discussed what it would take to finish phase two of the Shared Use Trail. Wallace was instructed to return with estimated costs and revenues secured to help Council decide on the next steps.

**TREES**- Wallace presented the cost of 12 trees that would be planted in Chi-Bro and Kirk Park. DuRussel explained that the Parks commission was in agreement. A motion was made by Dresch, seconded by DuRussel, that 12 trees be purchased and planted in Kirk and Chi-Bro Parks at a cost of \$1200. Roll call vote; ayes-all. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**CLEANING CONTRACT**- Wallace presented the bids received for the cleaning contract at the Village building. He noted that even with the 6% local credit, the Old Fashioned Cleaning bid was lowest. He also reported that the new contract includes bathroom cleaning daily and cleaning the Council Chambers. A motion was made by Way, seconded by Dresch, that Old Fashioned cleaning be awarded the bid at \$2120 per month. Roll call vote; ayes-all. Motion passed.

**VILLAGE HALL BATHROOMS**-Way explained the project to remodel the Village Building bathrooms. He reported that the bathrooms have not been updated since 1982. Council discussed the pros and cons of auto-shut off and dispensing fixtures. A motion was made by Dresch, seconded by Chartrand to approve the remodeling at a cost not to exceed \$38,800. Roll call vote; ayes-all. Motion passed.

**BROADBAND**- Wallace reported that Manchester Township is considering a feasibility study to install fiberoptic throughout the Township to deliver broadband internet capabilities to Township residents. Sharon and Lyndon Townships are also proposing broadband throughout their townships. Rep. Lasinski has introduced legislation to make it lawful for internet utilities to use a special assessment district approach to fund the infrastructure. Council discussed that Village residents have access to internet through three current providers and are concerned regarding the impact of this extra millage on village taxpayers.

**CORRESPONDENCE**- Council acknowledged the following correspondence:

- Minutes of the Jan. 9th Manchester Township Board meeting.
- Minutes of the Feb. 26<sup>th</sup> Manchester Village Parks Commission meeting.
- Comcast new gigabit internet service announcement.
- A letter from Ron Fielder, of 211 W. Main, objecting to the banner advertising the School's walking program being placed on the gazebo in Wurster Park. It was noted that Council had approved the banner placement.
- The draft of the General Management Plan for the Watkins Lake State Park & County Preserve.
- Vaillencourt reported that Abigail Diuble, of Manchester had been awarded the Presidential Spirit of Community Award.

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE** – Council reviewed the payables lists. A motion was made by Dresch, seconded by DuRussel, to approve for payment the list dated 03/05/2018 totaling \$83,590.65. Roll call vote: ayes-all. Motion carried.

**REPORTS**

**PARKS COMMISSION**- DuRussel reported Wags & Tails may be interested in funding wastebaskets and pick-up bags if a dog park should be established.

**DPW**- Jones presented his report. He also discussed expansion joints on the bridges. Chartrand noted that sidewalks on the bridge had been icy lately.

**MANAGER**– Wallace reviewed his report.

There being no further business, President Vaillencourt adjourned the meeting at 8:40pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jeff Wallace, Village Manager