

Manchester Village Citizens Advisory Committee
Regular Meeting
Tuesday, May 21, 2019
Unapproved Minutes

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Vice -Chair, Herb Mahony, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Scott Dunsmore, Pat Fielder, Rick Finger, Leslie Kiesel, Denise Collins, Carol LaRock, Herb Mahony, Jack Gould

MEMBERS ABSENT: Jim Keller

OTHERS PRESENT: Jeff Wallace (Village Manager), Jim Mann, George Daubner, Gene DeRossett, Lisa Moutinho, Robert Guysky, Laurie Carey, Kathleen Gould, Jeannine Uphouse, Marsha Chartrand, Stephanie Beuerle, William Brinkman, Theresa Herron, Margene Dunsmore, Ken Rogge, Julie & Dan Schaible, Anita Herman, Ron Burkhardt, Gary Stautz, Kenny & Chen Zabell, Lou Way, Laura Sutton, Jim Hodel, Pat Vaillencourt, Cindy Dresch, Susan Gleason, Linda Stevens, Kevin Riley, Alan Edwards and Ron Milkey.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA- A motion was made by Finger to approve, LaRock seconded. Motion passed.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR PREVIOUS MEETING- A motion was made by Kiesel to approve, Gould seconded. Motion passed.

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION- Mahony pointed out that this meeting includes a hearing to gather the questions and concerns of the public:

- Robert Guysky- How would the fire department be handled and which municipalities would control it?
- Ken Rogge- What is the background on why the Village is looking at potentially changing to a city?
- George Daubner- would like to know how the committee will be answering.
- Cheryl Zabell- How long would it take for the process, if it did go through?
- Jim Mann- What are the advantages to becoming a city? Village taxes are already higher than Ann Arbor's. Township voters have never pushed issues through that Village did not also approve.
- Stephanie Beuerle- Township has an 8-mill limit and city has a 23-mill limit. Taxes are high so the concern is that the switch could end up being more taxes. As a building owner downtown, will I have a right to vote if I don't live in the Village?
- Laurie Carey- FAQ mailing should have included Township residents.
- Ron Milkey- Says MML information indicates that mills for cities and villages is not the same as reported.

7. REPORTS-

- a. Administration – None
- b. Chair – None
- c. Finance Committee – None

8. OLD BUSINESS- None

9. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Discuss FAQ's -Finger reviewed the additional questions, spoke to the opportunity to update the charter in the process and asked the group how much detail should be included. Jeff Wallace suggested looking at the presentation by Miller Canfield for assistance formulating a process timeline. A timeline was also suggested as an addition to the FAQs to give context and as a supplement to the questions. Collins suggested having the Finance Committee create a business property tax impact example, similar to what was done for homeowners. The Committee agreed.
- b. Report Outline Review – No update at this time.

10. ADJOURN -A motion to adjourn was made by LaRock, seconded by Gould. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:37pm.