

APPROVED MINUTES  
MANCHESTER VILLAGE COUNCIL  
April 15TH, 2019  
7:00 PM VILLAGE HALL

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: Dresch, Woods, Way, DuRussel, Vaillencourt, Andrews and Chartrand. Also present were: Manager Wallace, Clerk Schaible, Brent Jones (DPW), Ruth VanBogelen (Farmers Market), Sybil Kolon (Kiwanis), and Laurie Carey.

The minutes of the April 1st, 2019 regular meeting were approved on a motion by Dresch, seconded by Woods, Vaillencourt abstained.

**AGENDA** – The agenda was approved as amended: deleting New Business items 7D) Rental Ordinance and 7E) Vacant Building Ordinance; and Reports- A) Sheriff; B) Parks Commission, C) Planning Commission; D) DDA; E) Healthy Communities/Wellness Coalition; F) Joint Planning; G) Building; H) Personnel Committee; I) Finance Committee on a motion by Dresch, seconded by Chartrand.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**-None

**OLD BUSINESS-**

**RIVER RAISIN PARK-** Wallace updated Council on the work at the River Raisin Park. He reported that the work is going very well with the boardwalk being built and the concrete and electrical conduit being installed soon. Way noted that the storm sewer pipe has been removed and a volunteer group will be put together to clear more of the brush to the north.

**NEW BUSINESS-**

**FARMERS MARKET-** Ruth VanBogelen presented the proposed budget for the 2019 season. She reported that it is a balanced budget with an intervention request to the Wellness Foundation for \$5700. Also presented was a schedule of events. VanBogelen also reported on the Acorn Farmer's Market and Café, a public food market that would operate as a 501c)3 to increase the nutritional environment in Manchester. Food would be sold on consignment with local sources. The estimated \$200,000 start-up costs will be raised in two phases. They are hoping to sign a lease for the Ash's building on W. Main Street and open in November. A motion was made by Woods, seconded by Dresch, that the Council provide a letter of support. Motion passed. Vaillencourt expressed gratitude for all the efforts being made.

**CANOE RACE-** Sybil Kolon presented the request to close Main Street for the annual canoe race. She noted that the tabling event discussed previously has been moved to the Main Street Bridge. It was suggested that a row of barricades be placed at Main and M-52 and on the east side of the crosswalk of the east side of the Bridge to protect the vehicles loading kayaks and canoes and the pedestrians and tables on the Bridge. A motion was made by Dresch, seconded by Woods, that the closure of Main Street from M-52 to Adrian be approved for May 19<sup>th</sup> from 11:00am to 4:00pm. Motion carried.

**GOALS AND DIRECTIVES-** Wallace asked that suggestions be returned by Friday for inclusion in a list for the next Council meeting. Vaillencourt noted that the coming several

years turnover of personnel and council members should be kept in mind.

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

- Citizens Advisory Committee minutes from the April 2, 2019 meeting.
- Manchester Township Board meeting minutes from the Feb.12 and March 12, 2019 meetings.
- An email from Play Everywhere that the Village is a finalist in the KaBoom grant award.
- The April 2019 5HT Newsletter.
- An updated Municipal Report from the Municipal League- Impact of Changing from a Village to a City.
- An invitation from the Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation Commission to participate in the 2020-2040 Master Plan meeting.
- The March 2019 Washtenaw County Sheriff Report.

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE** – Council reviewed the payables list. A motion was made by Dresch, seconded by Chartrand, to approve for payment the list dated 04/15/2019 totaling \$65,678.39. Roll call vote: ayes-all. Motion carried.

**TREASURER’S REPORT**- The March 2019 Treasurer’s Report was acknowledged.

### **REPORTS**

**DPW**- Jones presented the report. He noted that the winter equipment is being cleaned and put away while the spring equipment is being readied for service. A water main break was repaired last Friday evening. He volunteered to take the street sweeper to the Manchester Community Fair for the “Touch a Truck” demonstration.

**MANAGER**– Wallace presented his report.

There being no further business, President Vaillencourt adjourned the meeting at 8:05pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Julie Schaible, Village Clerk