

APPROVED MINUTES
MANCHESTER VILLAGE COUNCIL
November 4th, 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: Andrews, Dresch, DuRussel, Way, Vaillencourt, and Chartrand. Council members absent: Woods. Also present were: Manager Wallace, Clerk Schaible, Brent Jones (DPW), Linda Stevens (Manchester Area Chamber of Commerce) and Candace Connon.

The minutes of the October 21st, 2019 regular meeting were approved on a motion by Dresch, seconded by DuRussel. Motion carried.

AGENDA – The agenda was approved as amended: deleting Old Business: A) Vacant Building Ordinance; B) WWCA/215 E. Main; and C) Farmer’s Market/Acorn; adding New Business Item B) Trail Lighting and 10A) Treasurer’s Report and deleting Reports: A) Sheriff; C) Planning Commission; D) DDA; E) Healthy Communities/Wellness Coalition; F) Healthy Communities/Wellness Coalition; G) Building; H) Personnel Committee; I) Finance Committee on a motion by Dresch, seconded by Chartrand. Motion carried.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION- Linda Stevens thanked Council for their participation in the Commercial Building Open House noting that there had been good feedback.

SPECIAL SESSION- CITY STATUS- Vaillencourt reported that she and Wallace are developing talking points for the petition drive. They have the Jonesville cover letter as a guide for submitting the petition. Council discussed developing a flyer describing the cityhood and petition process for distribution a week prior to the petition drive. Vaillencourt asked for public comment. Stevens thought the flyer was a good idea.

OLD BUSINESS- None

NEW BUSINESS-

GARBAGE CONTRACT- Wallace reviewed the current contract and the offer to renew the contract, without opening it up for bid, at its term in June of 2020. Modern Waste has offered 0% increase in the first 2 years of the 5-yr contract with 3% increases in the last 3 years. This would put the monthly garbage rate at \$13.05 in the final year of the renewed contract. This amount compares very favorably with the Village of Clinton rate of \$18.29. Council agreed that Wallace should continue to draft a renewal contract with Modern Waste.

TRAIL LIGHTING- Chartrand suggested that lighting be looked into for the paved portion of the Shared Use Trail since it its used for the walk to school program. Ruth Vanbogelen is checking with the Chelsea Wellness Foundation to see what other communities are doing. Dresch noted the alternative routes that are already lit. Council discussed that winter maintenance is done on the trail but should it be done on the steps and boardwalk of River Park. Wallace reported that if it is decided that no winter maintenance is done, signs stating

such will need to be placed. It was noted that the boardwalk should be open for Christmas in the Village.

CORRESPONDENCE- Council acknowledged the following correspondence:

- Village Planning Commission minutes of October 28th, 2019.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE – Council reviewed the payables list. A motion was made by Dresch, seconded by Way, to approve for payment the list dated 11/04/2019 totaling \$32,440.90. Roll call vote: ayes-all. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT- The October 2019 Treasurer's Report was acknowledged.

REPORTS

PARKS- DuRussel reported that Susan Gleason needs to be added to the Parks 5-Yr Plan and that the new member, Krista Jarvis will be a great asset. The Commission is working to assign budget figures to their goals for the Parks in the next year.

DPW- Jones presented his report, highlighting that the inventory of copper and lead water leads has been submitted to the State. He also reported that the new flusher is working well but did cause a plug at 609 Adrian that has been fixed.

MANAGER- Wallace reviewed his report. He reported that he has met with the Village Attorney regarding a building issue at Adrian & Ockrow Streets, the dangerous building ordinance, vacant building ordinances and the current Library contract. Wallace introduced the subject of pets in the Village explaining that the current ordinance has three different definitions of "kennel" and a limit of 3 dogs but no limit on cats. Council expressed their feelings that any pets should be kept on the owner's property and that there be no impacts on neighbors. Council asked that copies of the current ordinance be available and the subject be a future agenda item.

There being no further business, President Vaillencourt adjourned the meeting at 8:15pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Julie Schaible, Village Clerk