

APPROVED MINUTES
MANCHESTER VILLAGE COUNCIL
August 17, 2020
7:00 PM

President Vaillencourt called the teleconferenced, regular meeting of the Manchester Village Council to order at 7:00pm with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Council members present: Vaillencourt, DuRussel, Dresch, Woods, Andrews, Way and Chartrand. Council members absent: None. Also present via telephone were: Manager Wallace, Clerk Schaible and Sgt. Beth Gieske.

The minutes of the August 3rd, 2020 regular meeting were approved on a motion by Dresch, seconded by Way.

AGENDA – The agenda was approved as amended: deleting 6. Special Session-City Status; 7A) Reindeer Run; adding 8B) September Meeting Date and deleting Reports C) Planning Commission; D) DDA; F) Manchester Community Joint Planning Commission; G) Building; H) Personnel Committee; I) Finance Committee on a motion by Dresch, seconded by Way.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION- None

OLD BUSINESS- None

NEW BUSINESS-

CONSTITUTION WEEK PROCLAMATION- A motion was made by Chartrand, seconded by Andrews, that the Village adopt the proclamation proclaiming September 17th through the 23rd as Constitution Week. Roll call vote: ayes-all. Motion passed

SEPTEMBER MEETING DATE- Vaillencourt reminded Council that the next meeting is scheduled for Labor Day. Council agreed to reschedule the meeting to September 14th.

CORRESPONDENCE- Council acknowledged the following correspondence:

- Notice of Michigan Municipal League Annual Meeting.
- Minutes of the Manchester Township July 14 Board meeting
- Listing of the communities awarded the Transportation Economic Development Fund Category B 2021 funding. Manchester was not awarded.
- Two notices of public hearing from Consumers Energy.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE – Council reviewed the payables list. A motion was made by Dresch, seconded by Chartrand, to approve for payment the list dated 08/17/2020 totaling \$90,833.55. Roll call vote: ayes-all. Motion carried.

REPORTS

SHERIFF- Sgt. Gieske reported that the department is still on 12-hour shifts. She also reported that during July there were 134 calls for service. Nothing was remarkable except the passing of counterfeit bills at the Dollar General. She noted that Deputy Paul Atkins would be the day shift for the foreseeable future and that a new Sergeant, Joel Gebaurer, would be in Manchester beginning sometime this fall. The July written report will be forwarded. There were 355 minutes out of area and 70 minutes into area. The majority of the out of area minutes were to

Scio Township. The number of traffic stops are starting to come up to pre-Covid levels.

PARKS- DuRussel reported that Amcor volunteers would be painting the pavilions at Carr Park beginning tomorrow. The 60 to 80 volunteers have dwindled to 8. He invited anyone to come and help.

HEALTHY COMMUNITIES/WELLNESS COALITION-Dresch reviewed the results of the recent survey. Manchester had 519 respondents and some good data was collected. Obesity is still an issue. Mental health, though, is positive as 80% of respondents reported it as good to excellent. Manchester also had a reduction in reported binge drinking and is ranked last in the access to fresh produce category.

DPW- Wallace reviewed the report. He noted that requests for bid for lead water service line replacement have been mailed.

MANAGER- Wallace reviewed his report. He highlighted the progress on Dutch Drive and reported that it went 1% over budget. The recent Michigan Treasury Department webinar reported reductions to the state shared revenues. The Village budget for FYE 21 has factored reductions in. Wallace reported that a couple of the downtown blight issues have been cleaned up.

Vaillencourt reported that she had attended the Manchester Township Board meeting. Voter turnout for the recent primary was 665 for precinct 1 and 821 for precinct 2. Broadband and/or wireless internet connectivity continues to be a topic. They will likely have an open house in September when the repairs to the Township Hall are complete.

There being no further business, President Vaillencourt adjourned the meeting at 7:42pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Julie Schaible, Village Clerk