

UNAPPROVED MINUTES
MANCHESTER VILLAGE COUNCIL
October 5, 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, Andrews, Way and Chartrand. Council members absent: Woods. Also present via telephone were: Manager Wallace, Clerk Schaible, Brent Jones (DPW), Randy Dieter (K of C), Barry Allen (Lions Club) and Laura Seyfried (CRC).

The minutes of the September 21st, 2020 regular meeting were approved on a motion by Dresch, seconded by DuRussel. Andrews abstained.

AGENDA – The agenda was approved as amended: deleting 7. Old Business; and Reports A) Sheriff; C) Planning Commission; D) DDA; E); Healthy Communities/Wellness Coalition; 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

SPECIAL SESSION -CITY STATUS- Vaillencourt reported that several volunteers are circulating petitions. There will be an update at the next meeting. She asked for any public comment. There was none.

OLD BUSINESS- None

NEW BUSINESS-

K OF C TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE- Randy Dieter explained that the annual Tootsie Roll drive would benefit the St. Louis School in Chelsea. They have secured permission from the business owners and the insurance certificate has been submitted. He noted that the volunteers would be observing all safety standards including masks and gloves. A motion was made by Dresch, seconded by Andrews, that the K of C Tootsie Roll drive be approved for October 9th and 10th. Roll call vote: ayes-all. Motion carried.

LIONS CLUB CIDER SALES- Barry Allen reported that the Lions Club had taken over for the Kiwanis in this fund raiser which would have the same format as in past years. They will be in the intersection at M-52 and Main as allowed by State law, and on the sidewalks at Main and Clinton Streets. The volunteers will be wearing masks and gloves. A motion was made by Dresch, seconded by Chartrand, that permission be granted for the cider sale on October 17th with October 24th as a rain date. Roll call vote: ayes-all. Motion passed.

CRC CONTRACT- Laura Seyfried thanked Council for their support and shared the 2019/2020 report. She presented food pantry and financial statistics for Village residents served. She did note that the Covid pandemic dramatically increased use of the resources particularly before other assistance programs became available. The physical location has been closed since mid-march but they have continued to provide assistance over the phone

and food pantry items outside. They have also strengthened partnerships with the County Health and Sheriff's Department. Seyfried reported that the CRC has helped several residents with collecting their unemployment benefits. Vaillencourt complemented and thanked Seyfried for the CRC initiative in expanding the programs during the pandemic. A motion was made by Dresch, seconded by Chartrand, that the 2020/2021 contract with the CRC be approved in the amount of \$3000. Roll call vote: ayes-all. Motion passed.

REDEVELOPMENT READY COMMUNITIES RESOLUTION- Vaillencourt presented the resolution to support proceeding with the MEDC program. Wallace reported that he will engage the Planning Commission to work on completing some of the best practice directives. A motion was made by Chartrand, seconded by Dresch, that Resolution No. 20-1005 be adopted. Roll call vote: ayes-all. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE- Council acknowledged the following correspondence:

- St. Joseph Mercy Chelsea announcement regarding free transportation in Stockbridge and Manchester.
- Washtenaw County Health Department flu shot clinic schedule.
- Village Parks Commission minutes from September 28, 2020.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE – Council reviewed the payables list. A motion was made by Dresch, seconded by Chartrand, to approve for payment the list dated 10/05/2020 totaling \$30,262.38. Roll call vote: ayes-all. Motion carried.

REPORTS

PARKS-DuRussel reported that there are two openings on the Parks Commission.

DPW- Jones presented the report. He highlighted that the water main break repair on Macomb Street had gone well and that the WWTP filter building has been painted.

MANAGER- Wallace reviewed his report. He added that Dutch Drive will be complete on October 15th and that the Acorn Market and Café will be moving to the old Manchester Market. Wallace also reported that the Village has ranked fundable through the State Revolving Loan Fund grant program. The timing is good as it may help to reduce bonds necessary to complete the project. Wallace inquired as to Council's preference for future meetings. They agreed that the next meeting be held via teleconference and the issue revisited when more guidance has been developed. Council also agreed that the meeting rooms remain closed for other groups at least until November.

There being no further business, President Vaillencourt adjourned the meeting at 7:48pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Julie Schaible, Village Clerk