

APPROVED MINUTES  
MANCHESTER VILLAGE COUNCIL  
December 20th, 2021  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS-VILLAGE HALL  
7:00 PM

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: Chartrand, Way, Dresch, Vaillencourt and Andrews. Council members absent: DuRussel and Woods. Also present were: Manager Wallace; Clerk Schaible; and Sgt. Joel Gebauer (WCSD).

The minutes of the December 6th, 2021 regular meeting were approved on a motion by Dresch, seconded by Way.

**AGENDA** – The agenda was approved as amended: moving Committee Reports: A) Sheriff to just after Public Participation; and deleting 7A) Lead & Copper Update and Committee Reports: B) Parks; C) Planning Commission; D) DDA; E) Healthy Communities/Wellness Coalition; F) Manchester Community Joint Planning Commission; G) Building; H) Personnel Committee; and I) Finance Committee on a motion by Dresch, seconded by Andrews.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**- None

**SPECIAL SESSION CITY-STATUS**- Vaillencourt reported that there is nothing new at this time. The plan is to send out a newsletter to Village residents after the first of the year updating them to the current status.

**SHERIFF REPORT**- Sgt. Gebauer presented and reviewed the Washtenaw County Sheriff's report for November 2021. He also reported that shift bids had resulted in one deputy change.

**OLD BUSINESS**-

**MANAGER SEARCH**- Vaillencourt presented the proposals for candidate recruitment from the Michigan Municipal League and Walsh Municipal Services. Wallace reported that, in his research, Walsh has helped a great number of communities and will have many contacts. MML will also be good but is priced significantly higher. A motion was made by Andrews, seconded by Chartrand, that the Village proceed with the manager search using Walsh Municipal Services at a cost not to exceed \$8100. Roll call vote; ayes-all. Motion passed. A motion was made by Andrews, seconded by Way, that Chartrand replace Dresch on the Personnel Committee as Dresch will not be available for the next several months. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS**-

**LUMINARIES**- Council members volunteered to light luminaries in public spaces on Christmas Eve.

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

- A Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation Commission memo acknowledging the Watkins Lake Trail award.
- The 2021 Department of Treasury Form No. 5572 detailing OPEB status.
- Manchester Township Board minutes from their November 9, 2021 meeting.
- DDA minutes from their November 17, 2021 meeting.
- A public hearing notice for the electric customers of Consumers Energy.

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE** – Council reviewed the payables list. A motion was made by Dresch, seconded by Way, to approve for payment the list dated 12/20/2021 totaling \$43,964.08. Roll call vote: ayes-all. Motion carried.

**REPORTS-**

DPW- Wallace presented the report noting that the “new” water meters are approaching 15 years old and are requiring replacement more rapidly.

MANAGER- Wallace reviewed his report highlighting the availability of RAP grants and asking that DDA and Parks review their master plans for opportunities.

At this time, a motion was made by Andrews, seconded by Chartrand, that the Council go into closed session to consider purchase or lease of real property. Roll call vote: ayes-all. Motion carried.

Council returned to open session.

There being no further business, Vaillencourt adjourned the meeting at 8:10pm

Respectfully submitted,  
Julie Schaible, Village Clerk