

APPROVED MINUTES
MANCHESTER VILLAGE COUNCIL
March 17th, 2022
COUNCIL CHAMBERS-VILLAGE HALL
10:00 AM

President Vaillencourt called the special meeting of the Manchester Village Council to order at 10:00am with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Council members present: Chartrand, Vaillencourt, Andrews, Way, Woods and Dresch. Council members absent: DuRussel. Also present were: Manager Wallace; Brent Jones (DPW), Jack Gould (Treasurer), Dan Geyer, John Hinkley and Frank Walsh.

AGENDA – Public Interviews for Village Position

1st Interview-Michael Sessions: Council discussed several issues with Sessions through a question and answer format. Walsh facilitated the discussion.

2nd Interview-Thomas Thompson: Council discussed several issues with Thompson through a question and answer format. Walsh facilitated the discussion.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION- Jack Gould supported hiring from within to facilitate the team aspect. He asked that Council recall that the current Manager was once inexperienced too. Brent Jones expressed his support for the process that has been utilized and reported that he has enjoyed working with Thompson.

Council discussed the interviews and the candidates. They agreed that, although it is a very difficult decision, experience is what is needed at this time.

A motion was made by Dresch, seconded by Andrews, to offer Michael Sessions the position of Manchester Village Manager contingent upon successful background check and contract negotiation. Roll call vote: ayes-all. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Dresch, seconded by Woods, that should Michael Sessions not be hired, Thomas Thompson be offered the position. Roll call vote: ayes-all. Motion passed.

Council discussed offering Thompson training in budgeting, planning and other areas outside of the WWTP responsibilities.

There being no further business, Vaillencourt adjourned the meeting at 1:02pm

Respectfully submitted,
Jeff Wallace, Village Manager