

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MANISTEE CITY COUNCIL – January 5, 2010

A regular meeting of the Manistee City Council was called to order by her honor, Mayor Ilona Haydon on Tuesday, January 5, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 70 Maple Street, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT: Colleen Kenny, Robert Hornkohl, Ilona Haydon, Hank Yonkman, Richard Mack, and Alan Marshall.

ABSENT: 1-Vacancy

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager – Mitch Deisch, City Attorney – George Saylor, City Clerk – Michelle Wright, Community Development Director – Jon Rose, DPW Director – Jack Garber, Finance Director – Ed Bradford, Fire Chief – Sid Scrimger, Utilities Supervisor – Ed Cote, and City Engineer – Jim Johnson.

#10-01 CONSENT AGENDA.

Consent agenda items include:

- Minutes - December 15, 2009 - Regular Meeting
- Payroll - Dec. 14 - 20, 2009 - \$ 54,639.09
- Dec. 21 - 27, 2009 - \$ 51,843.20
- Monthly Bills - November 25, 2009 - \$ 47,838.40
- December 14, 2009 - \$ 469,125.83
- December 21, 2009 - \$ 189,000.84
- Notification Regarding Next Work Session – January 12, 2010
A presentation will be made on the Operational Services Assessment Report; and such business as may come before the Council.

MOTION by Hornkohl, second by Kenny to approve the Consent Agenda as stated.

With a roll call vote this motion passed unanimously.

AYES: Kenny, Hornkohl, Haydon, Yonkman, Mack, Marshall

NAYS: None

#10-02 CONSIDERATION OF ACCEPTING A GRANT FROM THE MICHIGAN LOCAL BRIDGE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,182,000 FOR UPGRADES TO THE MAPLE STREET BRIDGE.

In 2006 the City of Manistee received a \$500,000 grant from the State of Michigan for Phase II upgrades to the Maple Street Bridge. Actual costs for Phase II electrical upgrades, not including approach work and replacement of tail locks, was estimated at \$952,000. Based upon the need to obtain additional funds for Phase II electrical and to include replacing the tail locks and upgrading approach work, Council authorized staff to submit an application on May 19, 2009 to the Michigan Local Bridge Improvement Fund Program for additional necessary funds to completely overhaul the Maple Street Bridge. On November 12, 2009 the City was informed that an additional \$682,000 was received, for a total of \$1,182,000 from the Michigan Local Bridge Improvement Program. Local match for this project is estimated at \$204,000. The City Attorney will review and approve any contracts with the State of Michigan.

MOTION by Mack, second by Hornkohl to accept a grant from the Michigan Local Bridge Improvement Program in the amount of \$1,182,000 to make necessary upgrades to the Maple Street Bridge; commit to the required 5% local match on construction costs, all engineering fees and MDOT required inspection fees; to engage the engineering firm of Hardesty & Hanover to complete all required engineering and design requirements; and to authorize the City Manager to sign all required documentation with the State of Michigan to ensure compliance with the Michigan Local Bridge Improvement Fund Program requirements. Discussion followed.

With a roll call vote this motion passed unanimously.

AYES: Kenny, Hornkohl, Haydon, Yonkman, Mack, Marshall
NAYS: None

#10-03 A REPORT FROM RAMSDELL THEATRE GOVERNING AUTHORITY.

Mr. Bob DeSisto reported on the activities of the Ramsdell Theatre Governing Authority and responded to questions the Council had regarding their activities.

CITIZEN COMMENT.

Steve Wall, Oak Street, commented on past agenda items: buck pole, congratulated new mayor and mayor pro-tem, and the addition of citizens comment on agenda items. He recommended updating the City Council guidelines to include the citizens comment portion of the agenda.

Bob Grabowski, Fourth Street, asked about the ice skating rink.

Ray Fortier, Eleventh Street, complimented Council on having a very good year.

COUNCILMEMBERS.

Mayor Haydon made a gift presentation to former Mayor Cyndy Fuller, stating that she will be known as one of Manistee's finest mayors.

ADJOURN.

MOTION to adjourn was made by Hornkohl, second by Marshall. Meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Michelle Wright CMC/CPFA
City Clerk/Deputy Treasurer