

**MANISTEE CITY COUNCIL
WORK SESSION
MINUTES OF MAY 13, 2014**

The Manistee City Council met in a work session on Tuesday, May 13, 2014 at 7 p.m., Council Chambers, City Hall, 70 Maple Street, Manistee, Michigan 49660.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Colleen Kenny, Eric Gustad, Bob Hornkohl, Catherine Zaring, Ed Cote, Robert Goodspeed, Mark Wittlieff

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Department Directors, City Attorney, City Engineer, Media and Public

Public Comments. None.

Discussion on Commercial Fire Inspections. Public Safety Director Dave Bachman addressed the Council on the subject of commercial fire inspections. Discussed new law on commercial fire suppression systems. Will begin notifying businesses that are not in compliance with the goal of full compliance by January 1, 2015. May need to write enforcement tickets to obtain full compliance.

Consensus: Council is in full support.

Discussion on Run Water / Frozen Pipe Invoices. Public Works Director Jeff Mikula addressed the Council on the subject of outstanding invoices for thawing froze pipes and other related expenses from the run water directive.

Consensus: Council supported concept of all water freeze-ups on or after February 10, 2014 would be responsible for actual contractor costs. Extreme and unusual situations would be handled on a case by case basis by administration.

Miscellaneous Discussions. Councilmember Wittlieff discussed the request from the Lions Club for the City to assist in the cost of a fireplace in their new pavilion. DPW Director Jeff Mikula will take this item to the Parks and Beautification Commission for their opinion on reprioritizing budgeted funds for the inclusion of the fireplace and that the Parks Department and administration will make the final determination. A brief update on the status of street funding discussions was given by Mr. Mikula.

Adjourned at 8 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Mitchell D. Deisch, City Manager

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