

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MANISTEE CITY COUNCIL – September 4, 2012

A regular meeting of the Manistee City Council was called to order by her honor, Mayor Colleen Kenny on Tuesday, September 4, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 70 Maple Street, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT: Colleen Kenny, Sid Scrimger, Robert Hornkohl, Ilona Haydon, Catherine Zaring, Beth Adams, and Alan Marshall.

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager – Mitch Deisch, City Attorney – Kate Glancy, Deputy City Clerk – Mary Bachman, Community Development Director – Jon Rose, DPW Director – Jack Garber, and Public Safety Director – Dave Bachman.

CITIZEN COMMENTS ON AGENDA RELATED ITEMS.

Dave Barber, Manistee News Advocate, introduced Eric Sagonowsky as the newest reporter for the Manistee News Advocate. Eric will be covering the City Beat.

CONSENT AGENDA.

- Minutes - August 21, 2012 - Regular Meeting
- Payroll - August 20 – September 2, 2012 - \$ 115,183.99
- Cash Balances Report - July 2012
- Notification Regarding Next Work Session – September 11, 2012
A discussion will be conducted on the Joslin Cove water main, Riverfront leases, and regular project updates; and such business as may come before the Council.
- Consideration of Hops & Props on the River
The Manistee Main Street Downtown Development Authority has submitted their annual request for an event on Saturday, September 8, 2012. The new event, Hops & Props on the River, replaces the Port City Street Fair. River Street will be closed to traffic from Oak Street to Spruce Street for vendors and entertainment. An event description and entertainment tent layout have been attached.

MOTION by Hornkohl, second by Zaring to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Discussion followed.

With a roll call vote this motion passed unanimously.

AYES: Kenny, Scrimger, Hornkohl, Haydon, Zaring, Adams, and Marshall
NAYS: None

CONSIDERATION OF DESIGNATING A VOTING DELEGATE TO THE MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL LEAGUE ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual convention of the Michigan Municipal League will be held October 3-5, 2012. Pursuant to the provisions of the League bylaws, we are requested to designate by action of the governing body, one official who will be in attendance at the convention as the official representative to cast the vote of the City of Manistee at the annual meeting, and if possible, to designate one other official to serve as an alternate. Signed up to attend the convention are Councilmembers Adams, Hornkohl; Mayor Pro-Tem Zaring and City Manager Deisch.

MOTION by Hornkohl, second by Marshall to name Zaring as the voting delegate to the Michigan Municipal League’s annual meeting.

With a roll call vote this motion passed unanimously.

AYES: Kenny, Scrimger, Hornkohl, Haydon, Zaring, Adams, and Marshall
NAYS: None

MOTION by Marshall, second by Zaring to name Adams as the alternate to the Michigan Municipal League’s annual meeting.

With a roll call vote this motion passed unanimously.

AYES: Kenny, Scrimger, Hornkohl, Haydon, Zaring, Adams, and Marshall
NAYS: None

CONSIDERATION OF LOCAL REVENUE SHARING BOARD GRANT APPLICATIONS.

The Local Revenue Sharing Board (LRSB) distributes 2% money from the Little River Casino. The deadline for 2012 Cycle II applications is Friday, September 7, 2012. City Staff has prepared grant applications for submission to the LRSB.

MOTION by Hornkohl, second by Haydon to authorize the submission of grant applications to the Local Revenue Sharing Board for the second cycle in 2012. Discussion followed.

With a roll call vote this motion passed unanimously.

AYES: Kenny, Scrimger, Hornkohl, Haydon, Zaring, Adams, and Marshall
NAYS: None

CONSIDERATION OF CHANGING THE STANDARD LIGHTING CONTRACT WITH CONSUMERS ENERGY.

Consumers Energy has completed a street light survey for the entire City of Manistee and prepared a

new Standard Lighting Contract which reflects necessary changes. Council resolutions are required to authorize Consumers Energy to adjust the City's monthly bill. The City Attorney has reviewed and approved the contract.

MOTION by Hornkohl, second by Haydon to adopt a resolution and approve a contract with Consumers Energy; authorizing the City Manager and City Clerk to execute the necessary documents.

With a roll call vote this motion passed unanimously.

AYES: Kenny, Scrimger, Hornkohl, Haydon, Zaring, Adams, and Marshall

NAYS: None

A REPORT FROM THE TREE COMMISSION AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

Mr. Jack Garber reported on the activities of the Tree Commission and responded to questions the Council had regarding their activities.

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CITIZEN COMMENT.

Travis Alden, DDA Director - 175 Harrison Street, commented on the new event, Hops & Props on the River which replaces the Port City Street Fair.

OFFICIALS AND STAFF.

None received.

COUNCILMEMBERS.

Mayor Kenny summarized comments from Council Members regarding Consent Agenda Items being submitted in a timely manner as to allow the Council appropriate time to consider and discuss the item.

ADJOURN.

MOTION to adjourn was made by Hornkohl, second by Zaring. Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Mary Bachman CMC
Deputy City Clerk/Payroll & Benefits