

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MANISTEE CITY COUNCIL – January 2, 2013

A regular meeting of the Manistee City Council was called to order by her honor, Mayor Colleen Kenny on Wednesday, January 2, 2013 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, Beth Adams, and Eric Gustad.

ABSENT: Ilona Haydon and Catherine Zaring.

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager – Mitch Deisch, City Attorney – George Saylor, City Clerk – Michelle Wright, Finance Director – Ed Bradford, and Public Safety Director – Dave Bachman.

CITIZEN COMMENTS ON AGENDA RELATED ITEMS.

None received.

CONSENT AGENDA.

- Minutes - December 18, 2012 - Regular Meeting
- Payroll - December 10-23, 2012 - \$ 117,063.74
- Cash Balances Report - November 2012

- Consideration of Ordinance Z12-09 Amending Article 25 Zoning Board of Appeals.
Staff discovered a conflict with the language for alternates who serve on the Zoning Board of Appeals. The Planning Commission held a public hearing at their meeting on December 6, 2012 that would amend Article 25 Zoning Board of Appeals to reflect the language in the Zoning Enabling Act.

The City Attorney reviewed the proposed amendment and recommended changes to the language. This amendment was first introduced by Council at their meeting of December 18, 2012 and could be adopted this evening.

- Consideration of Ordinance 12-10 Amending Chapter 1220 Planning Commission of the Codified Ordinances.

Prior to changes in the Michigan Planning Enabling Act of 2008 cities with populations of more than 5,000 were required to have nine members on their Planning Commission. Now municipalities can chose to have five, seven or nine members on their Planning Commission.

Currently there are two vacancies on the Planning Commission. At their November 1, 2012 meeting the Planning Commission made a motion to recommend to City Council to amend

Chapter 1220 Planning Commission by reducing the number of Planning Commissioners from nine to seven.

The City Attorney reviewed and recommended changes to Chapter 1220. This amendment was first introduced by Council at their meeting of December 18, 2012 and could be adopted this evening.

- Notification Regarding Next Work Session – January 8, 2013
A discussion will be conducted on project updates; and such business as may come before the Council.

MOTION by Hornkohl, second by Gustad to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

With a roll call vote this motion passed unanimously.

AYES: Kenny, Scrimger, Hornkohl, Adams, and Gustad
NAYS: None

CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION, MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SMALL URBAN GRANT.

The City of Manistee applied for and received a Small Urban Grant to assist with the milling and resurfacing of Kosciusko Street from Eighth Street to Twelfth Street. The estimated construction cost for the project is \$244,800 of which the City's share is \$40,849.98.

MOTION by Hornkohl, second by Adams to authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign a resolution and execute the necessary documents relating to the Michigan Department of Transportation Small Urban Grant for Kosciusko Street.

With a roll call vote this motion passed unanimously.

AYES: Kenny, Scrimger, Hornkohl, Adams, and Gustad
NAYS: None

A REPORT FROM THE RAMSDELL GOVERNING AUTHORITY.

Ms. Nancy Lyon and Mr. Ed Bradford reported on the activities of the Ramsdell Governing Authority and responded to questions the Council had regarding their activities.

CITIZEN COMMENT.

None received.

OFFICIALS AND STAFF.

Deisch stated the low bid received for the Kosciusko Street project came in at \$205,000 by a local

company – Elmers. He also stated that the Strategic Plan will be reviewed at next week’s work session.

COUNCILMEMBERS.

None received.

ADJOURN.

MOTION to adjourn was made by Hornkohl, second by Adams. Meeting adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

Michelle Wright MMC / CPFA, MiCPT
City Clerk/Deputy Treasurer