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## PROCEEDINGS OF THE MANISTEE CITY COUNCIL – July 8, 2014

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A special meeting of the Manistee City Council was called to order by her honor, Mayor Colleen Kenny on Tuesday, July 8, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 70 Maple Street, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT: Colleen Kenny, Edward Cote, Robert Hornkohl, Catherine Zaring, Mark Wittlieff, and Eric Gustad.

ABSENT: Robert Goodspeed.

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager – Mitch Deisch, City Attorney – George Saylor, City Clerk – Michelle Wright, DPW Director – Jeff Mikula, Finance Director – Ed Bradford, and City Engineer – Shawn Middleton.

### **CITIZEN COMMENTS ON AGENDA RELATED ITEMS.**

*None received.*

### **CONSIDERATION OF INTRODUCING ORDINANCE 14-06, CHAPTER 1040 COMBINED WATER SUPPLY AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEM ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS.**

The City commissioned a water and sewer rate study by Burton & Associates to review the water and sewer utility rate structure and financial needs. It was conducted in accordance with recommended practice by the American Water Works Association. The study recommended implementing a new rate structure.

In order to implement the study's recommendations, as well as address other areas of concern, the water and sewer ordinance needed to be revised. Staff reviewed the ordinance and drafted recommended changes. The amendment codifies the new rate structure, establishes all rates, fees and charges by Council resolution rather than in ordinance, clarifies and places additional restrictions on landlord affidavit program, adds freeze-up and run water section, and adds section on private wells and septic in City.

This ordinance was reviewed and recommended by the Council Ordinance Committee at their meeting of July 1, 2014. As an ordinance two separate readings are required. If this ordinance is introduced at this time it could be adopted at the next regular meeting.

MOTION by Hornkohl, second by Zaring to introduce Ordinance 14-06 amending Chapter 1040 Combined Water Supply and Sewage Disposal System. Bradford and Deisch gave a brief explanation of the changes to the ordinance.

With a roll call vote this motion passed unanimously.

AYES: Kenny, Cote, Hornkohl, Zaring, Wittlieff, and Gustad

NAYS: None

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### **CITIZEN COMMENT.**

*None received.*

### **OFFICIALS AND STAFF.**

Deisch stated that the work session bus tour will follow this meeting and is open to the public.

### **COUNCILMEMBERS.**

Gustad expressed his deepest sympathies regarding the passing of Mr. Memberto to the Tribe and his family.

### **ADJOURN.**

MOTION to adjourn was made by Cote, second by Hornkohl. Meeting adjourned at 6:06 p.m.

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