

**MANISTEE CITY COUNCIL  
WORK SESSION  
MINUTES OF JULY 11, 2017**

The Manistee City Council met in a work session on Tuesday, July 11, 2017 at 7:00 p.m., Council Chambers, City Hall, 70 Maple Street, Manistee, Michigan 49660.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Dale Cooper, Lynda Beaton, Roger Zielinski, Robert Goodspeed, James Smith, Mark Wittlieff, Erin Pontiac

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**ALSO PRESENT:** City Manager, Department Directors, Media, Public

***Public Comments.*** None

***Discussion on Deer Herd.*** Councilmember Mark Wittlieff requested an opportunity this evening to discuss the deer herd in the City and provided an historical account of efforts to have a deer cull. Says problem still exists and a solution is needed. Disappointed police option was not instituted and alluded to too much micro-management. Discussion on how to move forward with deer management plan.

CONSENSUS:

1. Add deer cull discussion to monthly Intergovernmental meeting agenda.
2. Explore areas and options for City cull with crossbows.

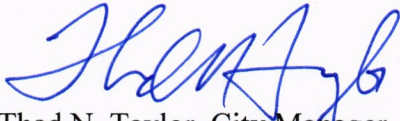
***Discussion on Dogs on the Riverwalk.*** Mayor Jim Smith requested an opportunity this evening to discuss dogs on the Riverwalk. Some discussion about this being a people problem, not a dog problem. Wittlieff against dogs on the Riverwalk.

CONSENSUS: Increase signage prohibiting dogs on the Riverwalk.

***Presentation of Strategic Plan Implementation Quarterly Report.*** City Manager Thad Taylor presented the quarterly update on implementation of the Council's strategic plan. One comment was responded to.

CONSENSUS: Quarterly updates will continue.

Adjourned at approximately 7:45 p.m.

  
Thad N. Taylor, City Manager

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