

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MANISTEE CITY COUNCIL – May 5, 2010

A regular meeting of the Manistee City Council was called to order by her honor, Mayor Ilona Haydon on Wednesday, May 5, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 70 Maple Street, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT: Colleen Kenny, Ilona Haydon, Hank Yonkman, and Alan Marshall.

ABSENT: Robert Hornkohl, Richard Mack, 1-Vacancy

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager – Mitch Deisch, City Attorney – George Saylor, City Clerk – Michelle Wright, City Assessor – Julie Beardslee, Community Development Director – Jon Rose, DPW Director – Jack Garber, Finance Director – Ed Bradford, Fire Chief – Sid Scrimger, and Police Chief – Dave Bachman.

CITIZEN COMMENTS ON AGENDA RELATED ITEMS.

None received.

#10-46 CONSENT AGENDA.

Consent agenda items include:

- Minutes
 - April 20, 2010 - Regular Meeting
 - April 27, 2010 - Work Session
- Payroll
 - April 12 – 18, 2010 - \$ 54,766.90
 - April 19 – 25, 2010 - \$ 54,710.68
 - April 26 - May 2, 2010 - \$ 55,809.68
- Monthly Bills
 - April 8, 2010 - \$ 176,075.61
 - April 26, 2010 - \$ 144,397.53
- Notification Regarding Next Work Session – June 8, 2010

There is no regular work session scheduled for May. A special meeting has been scheduled to adopt the 2010-2011 Budget on Tuesday, May 11, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. The next Council work session has been scheduled for Tuesday, June 8, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. A discussion will be conducted on such business as may come before the Council.
- Consideration of American Legion Auxiliary Poppy Drive.

The American Legion Auxiliary is requesting Council permission to hold their annual Poppy Drive in the City of Manistee on May 28 through May 31, 2010. The monies collected from the sale of poppies can only be used for the rehabilitation of veterans, welfare of their families and

hospitalized servicemen. The auxiliary provides Christmas gifts for veterans and their families at the Grand Rapids hospital and at the local post.

- Consideration of Annual Healthy Active Manistee Week (HAM it Up).
A request has been received from the Non-Motorized Transportation Committee for authorization of the second annual Healthy Active Manistee Week. This event will be held May 15 through 21, 2010. The week-long event is endorsed by the Governor's Council on Physical Fitness. Various community organizations are sponsoring events including bicycling, swimming, tennis, skateboarding, running and many more.

MOTION by Kenny, second by Yonkman to approve the Consent Agenda as stated.

With a roll call vote this motion passed unanimously.

AYES: Kenny, Haydon, Yonkman, Marshall
NAYS: None

#10-47 CONSIDERATION OF AUTHORIZING A MOBILE ICE CREAM TRUCK.

Tanya Brancheau of 20016 Caberfae Highway, Wellston, MI has requested the authorization to operate a mobile ice cream truck throughout the City of Manistee. No authorization to operate this ice cream truck on US-31 or Maple Street shall be given.

MOTION by Yonkman, second by Kenny to authorize Tanya Brancheau of 20016 Caberfae Highway, Wellston, MI to operate a mobile ice cream truck throughout the City of Manistee; with the exception of no authorization to operate on US-31 or Maple Street. Discussion followed.

MOTION by Kenny, second by Yonkman to amend the original motion by adding the limitation of approval to a period of one (1) year.

With a roll call vote the original motion passed, 3-1.

AYES: Kenny, Haydon, Yonkman
NAYS: Marshall

Roll call was then taken on the amended motion, motion passed 3-1.

AYES: Kenny, Haydon, Yonkman
NAYS: Marshall

#10-48 CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE, AUTHORIZING 2010 WATER AND SEWER REVENUE BONDS.

The City is under a State mandate to separate its combined sewer system in the Jones Street sewer district. The City has received approval from the State Revolving Fund and the State Drinking Water Revolving Fund to receive low interest loans for eligible costs related to this project. In order to proceed with the

project, the City must authorize the issuance of water and sewer revenue bonds to finance the eligible improvements.

MOTION by Kenny, second by Yonkman to adopt an ordinance authorizing the issuance of 2010 Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds in an amount not to exceed \$1,550,000. Discussion followed regarding the amount of increase that should be expected on monthly utility bills.

With a roll call vote this motion passed unanimously.

AYES: Kenny, Haydon, Yonkman, Marshall

NAYS: None

#10-49 CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING 2010 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BONDS.

The City is under a State mandate to separate its combined sewer system in the Jones Street and Cedar Street sewer districts. The City has been awarded State low interest loans and a Cool Cities grant to cover a portion of these projects. The remaining project costs, as well as costs for other water and sewer improvements, street reconstruction and bridge rehabilitation must also be financed. In order to proceed with the Jones Street and other projects, the City must authorize the issuance of Capital Improvement Bonds to finance the construction.

MOTION by Kenny, second by Yonkman to approve a resolution authorizing the issuance of 2010 Capital Improvement Bonds in an amount not to exceed \$5,800,000. Brief discussion followed.

With a roll call vote this motion passed unanimously.

AYES: Kenny, Haydon, Yonkman, Marshall

NAYS: None

#10-50 A REPORT FROM THE ALLIANCE FOR ECONOMIC SUCCESS.

Ms. Cyndy Fuller reported on the activities of the Alliance for Economic Success and responded to questions the Council had regarding their activities.

CITIZEN COMMENT.

Greg Ferguson, 196 Washington Street, spoke on legacy debt and term limits.

Ray Fortier congratulated Ed Cote on winning the election; commented on the police and fire department merger, stating a lot of people in the community depend on the fire department.

Ed Cote stated that the large voter turnout yesterday shows that citizens have an interest and concern in the City of Manistee. He also thanked those who supported him.

OFFICIALS AND STAFF.

Deisch congratulated Mr. Cote on his election to the Second District Council seat, and thanked Jo Hall and Kathy Fenstermacher for giving citizens options to vote on. He also stated Charter Section 2.13 - Organization and Procedure states that the special meeting scheduled for Tuesday, May 11th must start at 7:30 p.m. at which time a new Council member will be sworn in; the meeting will start with the swearing in of Mr. Cote; he will then vote on the budget afterwards. Mayor Haydon said she will invite Mr. Cote's comments during the budget work session that will follow this meeting.

COUNCILMEMBERS.

Marshall congratulated Ed Cote, and also thanked Kathy Fenstermacher and Jo Hall. He hopes to see 2-3 people running for council seats every time.

Haydon read a card received from 10 West thanking the City for their support in bringing movie productions here.

ADJOURN.

MOTION to adjourn was made by Kenny, second by Yonkman. Meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Michelle Wright CMC/CPFA
City Clerk/Deputy Treasurer