

**MANISTEE CITY COUNCIL
WORK SESSION
MINUTES OF JUNE 9, 2020**

The Manistee City Council met in a work session on Tuesday, June 9, 2020 at 7:00 pm remotely as authorized by Executive Order of the Governor.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dale Cooper, Lynda Beaton, Roger Zielinski, Jermaine Cipcic, Michael Szymanski (*arrived at 7:11pm*), James Grabowski and Erin Martin-Pontiac

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager, Department Directors, and Public

Public Comments on Work Session Related Items.

All individuals in attendance of the virtual meeting were in a virtual waiting room, with their microphones muted. When it came time for public comment, each person waiting in the virtual waiting room was called individually by the City Clerk by the last four digits of their telephone number. Individuals were asked if they had a comment or if they were passing.

Mayor Zielinski reviewed the items on the agenda for those in attendance that did not have a copy of the agenda.

Dan Duchon, 410 Twelfth Street / spoke in favor of naming the baseball field at Reitz Park after Phil Kliber to honor his years of service.

Discussion on Short Term Rentals – Councilmembers and staff had a discussion on short term rentals in the City and the need for an ordinance that would encompass both short-term and long-term rentals.

CONSENSUS: Council would like the Planning Commission to work on an ordinance to include both short term and long term rentals and directed staff to draft an agenda item for the next Council meeting giving the Planning Commission direction.

Discussion on Refuse Totes on River Street – Councilmember Michael Szymanski led the discussion on refuse totes on River Street.

Discussion included:

- Refuse options for DDA
- AD HOC committee recommendation
- Approved DDA Dumpster Corals
- Trailers ordered for use by DDA district
- Adding a tote option would result in additional costs

CONSENSUS: Council does not want to add a refuse tote option for River street and would like to leave as is with the previously approved dumpster corals.

Discussion on Naming the Baseball Field at Reitz Park – Mayor Pro-Tem Grabowski led the discussion on naming the baseball field at Reitz Park after Phil Kliber to honor his years of service.

CONSENSUS: Staff will try to reach out to the Reitz family for approval and bring back to Council for future consideration.

Other –

Beaton would like to return to in person meetings in July and also stated that residents on the Northside are pleased with the progress on current projects but there are concerns with the heavy traffic and the damage it has caused on the streets.

Martin-Pontiac inquired on the condition of First Street as a result of construction and asked if it would be patched.

Cipcic reiterated that long term rentals need to be included in an ordinance with short term rentals.

Grabowski inquired on the old driveway at First Street beach that was uncovered and asked if it could be removed.

Carson clarified with Council that the City currently has a long term rental ordinance and a blight ordinance however enforcement will need to be addressed when moving forward with an ordinance for short term rentals.

Adjourned at approximately 8:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Heather Pefley CMC/CMMC, MiCPT
City Clerk