

**CITY OF MANAWA
COMMON COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 18, 2024 6:00 pm**

Proceedings of the Manawa Common Council meeting held Monday, April 15, 2024. Called to order at 6:00 PM by Mayor Frazier pursuant to open meeting regulations, Pledge of Allegiance and roll call. Alderpersons present on roll call: Aaron Timm, Alice Brown, Jim Roenz, Mark Lehrer, Mary Eck, Ann Bonikowske, Mayor Mike Frazier. City Employees: Josh Smith, Jason Severson, Sue Vater Olsen, Logan Hass. Audience: Emily Conroy, Stephanie Flynn, Leonard Flynn, Larry Hein, Kristine Hein, Jeremy Bennett, Maggie Bennett.

Moved Bonikowske/Timm to approve the agenda of April 15, 2024. Carried.

Moved Eck/Timm to approve the council meeting minutes of March 18, 2024. Carried.

Moved Eck/Roenz to approve of the Bills of Allowance \$108,712.74. Carried.

Audience: Kristine and Larry Hein – Driveway cut out at 436 Factory Street: Kristine said she is concerned because was told that I could have a cutout for a second driveway and now I am told that I can't have it. I am concerned why it changed. I signed off on the easement when it listed it on the plans. Josh said we looked into it as an erosion control. The second driveway cutout would need an apron. Want to keep it uniformed. Larry said he would like to see the drawings of the specifics for the apron. Could do it myself. Josh said he will reach out to Cedar Corp on apron specifications. The matter will be discussed further at a committee meeting.

Leonard and Stephanie Flynn – Tree removed: Stephanie said our only tree was taken down today. There was no indication that our tree will be coming down from the road construction. Now we have no trees in our yard. Maple tree costs thousands of dollars. I have distrust in the city because there was no communication. I am upset with project management. Sue Vater Olsen – Annual Library report: Sue went over the annual report. Looking to add another person on staff. Was told cleanest bathrooms in the area. There were 50 people at the eclipse event. Had a high turnout for Biblio Bingo.

Finance: Vacating East of Inn Street: Moved Eck/Roenz to hire Kyle Fischer to survey East of Inn Street between Mill Street and Factory Street and a proposed survey of new property. Carried. Archeologists for street projects: Moved Eck/Roenz to hire UW-Milwaukee as the archaeologists for the road project. Carried. Cage in City Hall basement: Moved Eck/Roenz to install cage in basement for \$750. Carried. Investment of Bonds: Moved Eck/Roenz to invest \$3,970,000.00 of loan proceeds in the Local Government Investment Pool until it needs to be spent on project expenses. Carried.

Mayor: Mayor Frazier recognized Mark Lehrer 1 year, Aaron Timm 2 years, Jim Roenz, 4 years, Alice Brown 15 years, Mike Frazier 15 years and Ann Bonikowske 19 years of service for the city.

DPW: Josh went over his report. A job offer was given to a potential new employee to fill the seasonal part time position. All park bathrooms are open. Next week will be the yearly large water meter testing. The road construction was started today with tree removal.

Police: Police report was given by Chief Severson. Spring clean-up dates will be Saturday, April 20, and Monday, April 22. The dates have been posted. GFL has been contacted for the dumpsters. Letters have gone out to a couple of residents with our ordinance about Storage of Junk along with the Spring Clean-Up. Looking into switching cell phone provider.

Fire: Chief Josh Smith went over his report. Received a \$1,000 grant from Alliant Energy for equipment replacement. Up to 28 members. Pancake Breakfast is scheduled for Sunday April 28th it will be drive thru style. Ambulance is having a 9 Pin Bowling Tournament on Saturday May 18th at Keglers. Currently at 51 calls for the year.

Clerk: Financial Report: General Fund balance – \$44,538.95; Government Pool – \$102,228.67; Vending machine permit: Moved Eck/Brown to approve vending machine permit to be placed in City right of way at 343 S. Bridge Street, Little Wolf River Outfitters. Carried. Sewer late charge rate: Moved Eck/Bonikowske to approve sewer late charge rate to 5.20% which would match the water rate. Carried. Street closings: Moved Brown/Timm to approve request by Manawa Fire Department to close Mill Street from E 4th Street to Inn Street from 8:00 am to Noon on Sunday April 28th for Pancake Breakfast. Carried. Moved Roenz/Lehrer to

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approve request by Harley Classic Riders to close 2nd Street from S. Bridge Street to Mill Street from 7:00 am to 11:30 am on Saturday May 18th for Charity Ride – Childrens Wisconsin. Carried.

New Business: Reorganizational meeting Tuesday April 16th at 6:00 pm. Improvements and Services meeting on Monday April 22nd at 6:00 pm to discuss driveway cutout. Protection and Welfare meeting on Monday May 20th at 5:45 pm to discuss teen night ordinance.

Moved Brown/Bonikowske to adjourn at 7:25 pm. Carried.

Logan Hass, City Clerk