

**August 14, 2017**

A regular meeting of the Manistique City Council was held on Monday, August 14, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. Present were Councilmembers Shiner, Walker, Hill, and Jeffcott. Also present was City Manager Aldrich. Councilmember Hollister was absent.

**Moved by Councilmember Hill, seconded by Councilmember Walker**

**EXCUSE Councilmember Hollister from this meeting.**

**Yes – Councilmembers Hill, Walker, Shiner, Jeffcott**

**No – None**

**Absent – Councilmember Hollister**

A. Minutes.

July 24, 2017

**Moved by Councilmember Hill, seconded by Councilmember Shiner**

**APPROVE the minutes of the July 24, 2017 meeting as presented.**

**Yes – Councilmembers Hill, Shiner, Walker, Jeffcott**

**No – None**

**Absent – Councilmember Hollister**

B. New Business.

1. Citizen Comments Regarding Agenda Items Only.

There were no citizen comments.

2. Farm Animals in City Limits Request.

Manager Aldrich memo. Please find attached a request from Jenny VanDyck who resides at 237 N Cedar Street to be added to the agenda. She presently has farm animals at her residence as part of a 4H project.

Per Ordinance 199 of 1982 (see attached), "It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to keep or possess horses, cows, goats, chickens or other livestock within the City of Manistique, Michigan." She would like to request that Council consider changing the ordinance.

Jenny VanDyck addressed Council noting that she currently has chickens, goats, and rabbits at her residence on N Cedar Street. She stated that the animals have been used as a teaching tool for a 4H group. They also have been therapeutic for her family as well.

The health concern of having farm animals in the city limits was discussed.

Discussion.

3. Haywire Trail Marathon Request.

Manager Aldrich memo. Please find attached a request from Allan Ott who is organizing a marathon in Schoolcraft County. The event will start and finish at the city owned parking area next to the Water Treatment Plant and the runners will go on the Haywire Trail.

Mr. Ott is requesting permission from the City to use this property for the event.

Mr. Ott addressed Council regarding the Haywire Trail Marathon noting the following:

- The Haywire Trail will be used for the marathon as there are not many roads that require volunteers to monitor.
- It will be certified and insured.
- Permission is needed from the City and paper mill as the trail goes near the paper mill landfill.
- The hope is to have the event in the spring of 2018.
- Proceeds for the event will be donated to the non-motorized trail project.

Discussion.

**Moved by Councilmember Hill, seconded by Councilmember Shiner**

**APPROVE the request from Allan Ott to use the city property near the Water Treatment Plant on Intake Park Road for the Haywire Trail Marathon as presented.**

**Yes – Councilmembers Hill, Shiner, Walker, Jeffcott**

**No – None**

**Absent – Councilmember Hollister**

4. Cooperative Agreement With Sault Tribe – Marina Drive.

Manager Aldrich member. Please find attached the agreement with the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians for the Marina Drive engineering. This project will allow the entrance to the Marina be more prominent to make citizens more aware of where the Marina is located.

We are very fortunate to be working with the Sault Tribe on this project. We appreciate all they have done and continue to do for our community.

Discussion.

**Moved by Councilmember Hill, seconded by Councilmember Walker**

**APPROVE the cooperative agreement between the City of Manistique and the Sault Tribe of Chippewa Indians for the engineering of Marina Drive as presented.**

**Yes – Councilmembers Hill, Shiner, Walker, Jeffcott**

**No – None**

**Absent – Councilmember Hollister**

5. Tax Abatement Request & Public Hearing.

Manager Aldrich memo. Bill Hoholik from WCH Rentals (Hoholik's Ace Hardware) has requested a tax abatement for their new building to be located on their property at 145 River Street. Please find a copy attached. The designation needed has been placed on this property by Council at a prior meeting. Our assessor has completed the portion of the form and it is now ready for Council review.

This abatement request would go on to the State for final approval once it has gone through Council.

Mayor Jeffcott opened the public hearing for the tax abatement request at 7:27pm.

Mayor Jeffcott closed the public hearing for the tax abatement request at 7:28pm.

No comments were brought forth from the public.

**Moved by Councilmember Walker, seconded by Councilmember Shiner**

**APPROVE the tax abatement request from WCH Rentals for parcel number 051-700-406-00 as presented.**

**Yes – Councilmembers Walker, Shiner, Hill, Jeffcott**

**No – None**

**Absent – Councilmember Hollister**

6. CDGB Urgent Need Close-Out Public Hearing.

Manager Aldrich memo. As a part of our CDGB Urgent Need Grant that we received from issues that arose from the cold weather from winter of 2013/2014, we are required to have a close-out hearing.

The purpose is to take any comments on the project that the public might have.

Mayor Jeffcott opened the public hearing for the CDGB Urgent Need Grant at 7:29pm.

Mayor Jeffcott closed the public hearing for the CDGB Urgent Need Grant at 7:30pm.

No comments were brought forth from the public.

7. Notice of Award – Central Park Baseball Field Project.

Manager Aldrich memo. Please find attached the notice of Awards for the Central Park Baseball Field Project. This project has been split into two bid awards: grading and aggregates & fencing and

appurtenances.

We received one bid for each item:

Grading and Aggregates – Olsen & Olsen Building Contractors, Inc.	\$49,914.00
Fencing and Appurtenances – Delta Fence & Construction	27,780.00

This project is for the water tower baseball field which has been in need of repairs for many years.

**Moved by Councilmember Walker, seconded by Councilmember Shiner**

**ACCEPT the bid for the Central Park Baseball Field Project Grading & Aggregates from Olsen & Olsen Building Contractors in the amount of Forty-Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Fourteen Dollars and No Cents (\$49,914.00) as presented.**

**Yes – Councilmembers Walker, Shiner, Hill, Jeffcott  
No – None  
Absent – Councilmember Hollister**

**Moved by Councilmember Walker, seconded by Councilmember Shiner**

**ACCEPT the bid for the Central Park Baseball Field Project Fencing & Appurtenances from Delta Fence & Construction in the amount of Twenty-Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty Dollars and No Cents (\$27,780.00) as presented.**

**Yes – Councilmembers Walker, Shiner, Hill, Jeffcott  
No – None  
Absent – Councilmember Hollister**

8. Wastewater Treatment Plant Aeration Blower Bids.

Manager Aldrich memo. Please find attached the bid tabulation and recommendation from C2AE regarding the new aeration blower needed at the wastewater treatment plant. Three bids were received and opened on March 1, 2017.

Corey will be at the meeting to discuss the bids and recommendation for the project.

Corey discussed the project noting:

- The first time this was bid, the bids came in 32% above the engineers estimate.
- It was rebid and three bids were received.
- The bid totals are as follows:
  - Atlas Copco Compressors \$60,376.00
  - Energenecs 45,145.00
  - Kaeser Compressors 43,144.49
- The bid from Atlas Copco Compressors was actually for two blowers. The price for one blower from Atlas is \$34,033.00.
- C2AE recommends awarding the project to Atlas Copco Compressors in the amount of \$34,033.00.
- Corey agrees with this recommendation.

**Moved by Councilmember Hill, seconded by Councilmember Walker**

**ACCEPT the bid for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Aeration Blower from Atlas Copco Compressors in the amount of Thirty-Four Thousand Thirty-Three Dollars and No Cents (\$34,033.00) as presented.**

**Yes – Councilmembers Walker, Shiner, Hill, Jeffcott  
No – None  
Absent – Councilmember Hollister**

9. Citizen Comments.

There were no citizen comments.

C. Reports and Communications

Manager Aldrich:

- Please note the FYI of the driving guide that shows the new Scenic Byway along US2.
- We are working with the County to develop the industrial park the county owns in the city

limits.

Discussion.

- We have received letters from the Teamsters unions to open negotiations for their contracts.
- The DDA plans to start phase III of the Marina project next year. This is the last phase for the Marina and the grants are in place for this project.
- We are working with Rural Development on the next water/sewer project. We hope to start construction next year.
- The campground is doing well. We have had campers from all over the United States.
- The billboards we have partnered with John Madigan that are downstate have done very well. We also have done Pure Michigan for several years.

Mayor Pro Tem Hill:

- In a conversation with a camper from Denver, he noted that he loves the campground and wishes he could stay longer.
- Thank you to the City for the thank you card for Doug.

The regular meeting of the Manistique City Council adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

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Janet Jeffcott, Mayor

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Jeffrey L. King, City Clerk