

**TOWN OF MANHATTAN
Regular Meeting
June 11, 2020
MINUTES**

Mayor Glen Clements called the meeting to order in the Town Meeting Room, at 207 S. 6th St. at 7:00 P.M. Present were Council Members Callie Hamilton, Betsy Mancuso, and Dan Ryan. Greg Schack was excused. Also present were Town Attorney Jane Mersen, Public Works Supervisor Jeff McAllister, Chief of Police Dennis Hengel and Clerk/Treasurer Pam Humphrey. Six members of the public were present.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Tony Drypolcher, 208 S 3rd St. He thanked Jeff and crew for dust control efforts and coordination with the neighborhood.

QUIET ZONE PRESENTATION:

Tony Drypolcher, 208 S 3rd. He showed a presentation on how the Town would go about getting a Quiet Zone at the railroad crossings. He covered the reasons that he thought that a Quiet Zone would improve the quality of life in Manhattan while maintaining safety. He explained the process and what would be required. He also presented some of the costs involved.

Dan Ryan stated that in his experience, most quiet zone processes end up going by the wayside because of cost. He also questioned being able to move large farm equipment with the lane splitters.

Chief Hengel asked about the safety statistics.

Council discussed looking into the issue a little further.

GROWTH POLICY AWARD:

Motion- Ryan; Second- Hamilton; Vote- Unanimous: Motion passed to award the Growth Policy project to Logan Simpson.

Bruce and Whitney from Logan Simpson were present by phone

CENTENNIAL VILLAGE II PRELIMINARY PLAT EXTENSION:

Motion- Ryan; Second- Mancuso; Vote- Unanimous: Motion passed to approve the Preliminary Plat Extension for Centennial Village II for one year.

Mayor Clements relayed a message from the Town Attorney Jane Mersen that the Town will not be able to issue a sewer capacity letter until after the treatment plant expansion.

ORDINANCE NO. 20-001 - TOWNHOUSES:

Motion- Ryan; Second- Mancuso; Vote- : Motion passed to approve the First Reading of Ordinance No. 20-001 with amendments and set it for a public hearing and Second Reading at the July Council meeting.

Building Official Dave Rowell submitted written comments with some suggested amendments to the ordinance.

RESOLUTION NO. 20-008 – BUILDING CODES:

Motion- Hamilton; Second- Ryan; Vote- Unanimous: Motion passed to approve Resolution No. 20-008, a resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Manhattan to adopt the 2018 International Mechanical Code, 2018 International Fuel Gas Code, 2018 International Building Code, 2018 International Residential Code, 2018 International Existing Building Code and 2018 International Swimming Pool and Spa Code.

PARK CURFEW:

Dennis Hengel, Chief of Police: He stated that he met with the Park Board regarding a park curfew. Currently there is no camping or parking overnight. He requested a Park curfew from midnight to 4 am. This will allow the Police Department to make contact with people legally that are in the park and parking lot in the early morning hours. He suggested making a policy and approving a resolution. If there are more problems, then the Council could enact an ordinance.

NUISANCE COMPLAINT FOLLOWUP – 230 S 4TH ST:

Motion- Hamilton; Second- Ryan; Vote- Unanimous: Motion passed to table the issue until the July meeting.

Dave Rowell and Greg Schack investigated the complaint. Greg Schack provided a written report on their findings. Dave Rowell also provided a written report. The Mayor discussed the issue with the Town Attorney. She recommended that the Council make their findings and state them

Peter Bade: 226 S 4th: He is asking that the structure be moved back to meet the 8 ft side yard setback to preserve his property value. He feels that it is a nuisance.

Adam Jensen, 230 S 4th: He stated he has tried to communicate with the neighbor. The planter boxes are not permanent, as they have no bottom. He agrees that the wood storage needs to be cleaned up. He asked for one month to finish the fort.

The Council discussed the Code regarding setbacks and nuisances.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

- Kyle Scarr has written a draft for a RFP for an impact fee study.
- He stated that there have been some very high water use days. One of the wells is off line currently. The North well needs some repairs. He asked that everyone conserve water as much as they can.
- He has talked to the Town Attorney about annexing the Wooden Shoe Lane properties that are on the sewer line. He will have more information at the next meeting. They also discussed de-annexing the property that is currently annexed up Yadon Road.

Jeff McAllister, Public Works Supervisor: He stated that they are getting the Pioneer Crossing well online currently. It is available for use as a redundant well when one of our main wells is down. The Farmstead is also a redundant well.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion- Hamilton; Second- Mancuso; Vote- Unanimous: Motion passed to approve the Consent Agenda.

Town Business Licenses: Hayward Home Services, Integrity Design & Construction, David Jacobi, and Camber Construction

Kennel License: Amber Weber, 303 W Railroad Ave, N.

Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting minutes from May 14, 2020.

Claims: Dated 05/14/20 – 06/11/20 totaling \$ 174,495.24.

There will be a Special meeting on June 18 at 7:00 for budget presentations from the Department Heads.

ADJOURN:

Motion- Mancuso; Second- Ryan; Vote- Unanimous: Motion passed to adjourn the meeting.



Mayor



Clerk/Treasurer