

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
February 15, 2022

The second monthly meeting of Mansfield City Council met on
Tuesday, February 15, 2022 at 8:36 PM in the
Council Chambers of the City Building.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by the audience.

Eleazer Akuchie led the audience in prayer.

ROLL CALL: The following answered present at roll call: Burns, Meier, Akuchie, Davenport, Diaz, Moton, Scott, Zader and Falquette.

There being no objections, the reading of the Journal and Correspondence was dispensed with.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

PRESIDENT FALQUETTE: Anyone wishing to speak before council. We have two people, sorta three. Deborah Mount is first. Name, three minutes.

DEBORAH MOUNT: Deborah Mount, 114 Cliffbrook Drive. Two things. First thanks for the answer on whether citizens can hire a private plow. When I searched the ordinances there was nothing. So, I would hope that City would make that more clear, if that is the city's policy. However, there's a liability obviously if a private company was to plow the roads. But our Street 4 days into the storm, was still not plowed. 12 inches of snow. My sister works in the hospital. Is there not some liability on the city's part for plowing in a suitable amount of time. I know there was a lot of reasons that didn't happen. We plowed...we shoveled the street by hand in front of our house. Took quite a long time. But what else is there to do? The city did not come 4 days in, it was still that deep. 4-wheel drive trucks were stuck. Please take that into consideration. you probably need to be more clear on your policy. But on the other hand, 4 days in and people, essential workers, not able to get to their jobs is a problem. And then secondly as you consider the fireworks issue. If you decide to let them be legal, I would wonder if you could please consider banning some of the bigger kind. Specifically, last season we had m80's set off between 2 and 4 in the morning. It sounded like a house exploding. And especially in those hours, that did not sit well with the neighborhood. So please take that into consideration. At least hours that it occurs and size. Because when it sounds like a house or cars exploding, even if it is legal, you're going to be getting calls because that sounds pretty bad. So, I'm hoping you'll take that into consideration. Thank you

PRESIDENT FALQUETTE: Thank you Ms. Mount. Jill VanHarlingen and Teri Marlow are coming up as a joint commentary. So please state your names, address and three minutes.

JILL VANHARLINGEN: My name is Jill VanHarlingen and I live at 918 Linden Circle West. And I had no plans of speaking tonight, but I wanted to just...point that was made about the police review commission, about the background check. When Jon was on Council and he tried to find some, he worked really hard to get somebody on this, I can tell you. And he had one lady that was a great candidate. And course you have to go through the background check. She would call in weekly, "Have you heard anything? Have you heard anything?." It was weeks, maybe even months before that background check happened. And she finally called and she said "I have other things to do, I'm doing other things, never mind." So, we lost that candidate. Fortunately, Teri Marlow here. He found Teri, third ward, you're really lucky Rev. El. she's dedicated to the police review commission. And I know she wants to stay on it, but something has to do about the background check. I don't know what the snag was, cuz I don't understand

that process. But... (someone is speaking but can't be understood due to mic being off). That what it was? Well something's not working, I'm telling you that's going to be a snag for you. So, I'll let Terry talk about her experience on the police review commission.

TERI MARLOW: I live at 616 Cline Ave. I've been on Review Committee, I think for about 4 years now. And during that time, we've had Covid and that's a big reason why we have not been able to meet. We went to every other month. Which was a lot of confusion for some of the people. And most of the decisions are already made before we come in and meet. We do get to hear what happened. We read it over. We discuss and if everything's pretty much okay then we go ahead & sign it and then whoever made the complaint will receive a letter stating that we went over it. The police department they did a wonderful job in training us. And yes, it was for hours. They did treat us to pizza and drinks too, that was nice. I mean it's really a blessing to have this. And I think it would be very detrimental to our community if you decided to disband. Everybody that I'm on this commission with, I've not heard anybody who wanted to leave. We do have two empty spots on it. So, if we could get those filled and get the rest of us back in there. We actually are planning to meet Thursday here at 6:00pm. If anybody wants to come, they are more than welcome. We've only had one city council person to our meetings since I've been there in 4 years.

PRESIDENT FALQUETTE: Thank you Miss Marlow.

JILL VANHARLINGEN: How many meetings did you miss?

TERI MARLOW: One.

AMY YOCKEY: Councils not supposed to be involved in it though. Because its...I'm going to leave that up to you.

PRESIDENT FALQUETTE: Maybe we can have the Law Director make a response at a later time. We don't have to have all the details. Unless you have them quickly available.

CHRIS BROWN: I can follow up more thoroughly later. But I think the idea is it's meant to be confidential. To kind of allow the Police Department to you know delve into the internal affairs. And then I will say if you look at the code you, city council, and the mayor can both request reports from the commission. So, I think that that might be a little bit more proper way to handle figuring out what's going on and keep tabs on it. But like I said we can follow up more thoroughly later if you like.

PRESIDENT FALQUETTE: Alright, thank you very much. Committee reports once again, any committee reports? Mr. Mayor?

MAYOR THEAKER: I have nothing.

PRESIDENT FALQUETTE: Mr. Remy?

DIRECTOR REMY: Nothing, sir.

PRESIDENT FALQUETTE: Mr. Brown?

CHRIS BROWN: No thank you.

END OF DISCUSSION

PRESIDENT FALQUETTE: Thank you gentlemen. Let's proceed with legislation, Mrs. Burns do you have any late bills this evening?

MONDAY DEADLINE

LAURA BURNS: I move with respect to bill 22-021 that the rule requiring legislation be submitted by Monday at 4:00 pm be suspended and that bill 22-021 be allowed on the floor this evening. Seconded by Mrs. Zader. The vote was taken and resulted as follows: Ayes: 8, Nays: 0

SUSPEND RULES

LAURA BURNS: I move with respect to all bills that come before council this evening that the rule requiring reading on three different days be suspended and that each bill be read one time by title only. Seconded by Mrs. Zader. The vote was taken and resulted as follows: Ayes: 8, Nays: 0

PRESIDENT FALQUETTE: Mrs. Meier, 22-017.

CHERYL MEIER: Thank you sir. I move that bill 22-017 be read and placed on the floor for discussion.

STEPHANIE ZADER: Second.

PRESIDENT FALQUETTE: It's been moved and seconded. The clerk shall read bill 22-017. Welcome back Clerk Yockey.

AMY YOCKEY: Thank you. Declaring the remains of a designated dwelling (173 Vale Avenue) to be insecure, unsafe, structurally defective and dangerous to life and other property; directing the demolition thereof by City forces or contract labor, materials and equipment, and declaring an emergency.

DEMOLITION - 173 VALE AVENUE

BY: MRS. MEIER

BILL #22-017

ORDINANCE: #22-017

Declaring the remains of a designated dwelling (173 Vale Avenue) to be insecure, unsafe, structurally defective and dangerous to life and other property; directing the demolition thereof by City forces or contract labor, materials and equipment, and declaring an emergency.

Upon motion by Mrs. Meier that Bill 22-017 be read and placed upon the floor for second read, seconded by Mrs. Zader. The vote was taken and resulted as follows: Ayes: 8, Nays: 0

The bill was declared passed, signed by the President, approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

PRESIDENT FALQUETTE: Any further questions or comments? Hearing none, Mrs. Meier?

DISCUSSION: None

CHERYL MEIER: Thank you Mr. President I move bill 22-017 be placed upon the floor for final consideration.

STEPHANIE ZADER: Second.

PRESIDENT FALQUETTE: It's been moved and seconded. If there's no final discussion please cast your vote for 22-017. Motion passes 8 to 0, thank you very much.

END OF DISCUSSION

PRESIDENT FALQUETTE: Mrs. Meier, 22-018.

CHERYL MEIER: Thank you Mr. President I move that bill 22-018 be read and placed on the floor for discussion.

STEPHANIE ZADER: Second.

PRESIDENT FALQUETTE: It's been moved and seconded. The clerk shall read bill 22-018.

AMY YOCKEY: Declaring the remains of a designated dwelling (214 Miller Street) to be insecure, unsafe, structurally defective and dangerous to life and other property; directing the demolition thereof by City forces or contract labor, materials and equipment, and declaring an emergency.

DEMOLITION - 214 MILLER STREET

BY: MRS. MEIER

BILL #22-018

ORDINANCE: #22-018

Declaring the remains of a designated dwelling (214 Miller Street) to be insecure, unsafe, structurally defective and dangerous to life and other property; directing the demolition thereof by City forces or contract labor, materials and equipment, and declaring an emergency.

Upon motion by Mrs. Meier that Bill 22-018 be read and placed upon the floor for second read, seconded by Mrs. Zader. The vote was taken and resulted as follows: Ayes: 8, Nays: 0

The bill was declared passed, signed by the President, approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

PRESIDENT FALQUETTE: Any further questions or comments? Hearing none, Mrs. Meier?

DISCUSSION: None

CHERYL MEIER: Thank you Mr. President I move bill 22-018 be placed upon the floor for final consideration.

STEPHANIE ZADER: Second.

PRESIDENT FALQUETTE: It's been moved and seconded to put 22-018 for final consideration, if there's no further delay we'll vote. Passes 8 to 0.

END OF DISCUSSION

PRESIDENT FALQUETTE: Mrs. Meier we have a first reading on 22-019 tonight.

CHERYL MEIER: Thank you Mr. President I move that bill 22-019 be read and placed on the floor for discussion.

STEPHANIE ZADER: Second.

PRESIDENT FALQUETTE: It's been moved and seconded. The clerk shall read bill 22-019.

AMY YOCKEY: Declaring the remains of a designated dwelling (308 Newman Street) to be insecure, unsafe, structurally defective and dangerous to life and other property; directing the demolition thereof by City forces or contract labor, materials and equipment, and declaring an emergency.

DEMOLITION - 308 NEWMAN STREET

BY: MRS. MEIER

BILL #22-019

ORDINANCE: #22-019

Declaring the remains of a designated dwelling (308 Newman Street) to be insecure, unsafe, structurally defective and dangerous to life and other property; directing the demolition thereof by City forces or contract labor, materials and equipment, and declaring an emergency.

Upon motion by Mrs. Meier that Bill 22-019 be read and placed upon the floor for second read, seconded by Mrs. Zader. The vote was taken and resulted as follows: Ayes: 8, Nays: 0

The bill was declared passed, signed by the President, approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

PRESIDENT FALQUETTE: Any further questions or comments? Mrs. Meier?

DISCUSSION: None

CHERYL MEIER: Thank you Mr. President I move bill 22-019 be placed upon the floor for final passage.

STEPHANIE ZADER: Second.

PRESIDENT FALQUETTE: It's been moved and seconded to put 22-019 for final passage. Go ahead and vote. Passes 8 to 0.

END OF DISCUSSION

PRESIDENT FALQUETTE: Mrs. Meier we have a first reading on 22-020 tonight.

CHERYL MEIER: Thank you Mr. President I move that bill 22-020 be read and placed on the floor for discussion.

STEPHANIE ZADER: Second.

PRESIDENT FALQUETTE: It's been moved and seconded. The clerk shall read bill 22-020.

AMY YOCKEY: Declaring the remains of a designated dwelling (1160 Pawnee Avenue) to be insecure, unsafe, structurally defective and dangerous to life and other property; directing the demolition thereof by City forces or contract labor, materials and equipment, and declaring an emergency.

DEMOLITION - 1160 PAWNEE AVENUE

BY: MRS. MEIER

BILL #22-020

ORDINANCE: #22-020

Declaring the remains of a designated dwelling (1160 Pawnee Avenue) to be insecure, unsafe, structurally defective and dangerous to life and other property; directing the demolition thereof by City forces or contract labor, materials and equipment, and declaring an emergency.

Upon motion by Mrs. Meier that Bill 22-020 be read and placed upon the floor for second read, seconded by Mrs. Zader. The vote was taken and resulted as follows: Ayes: 8, Nays: 0

The bill was declared passed, signed by the President, approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

PRESIDENT FALQUETTE: Any further questions or comments? Hearing none, Mrs. Meier?

DISCUSSION: None

CHERYL MEIER: Thank you Mr. President I move bill 22-020 be placed upon the floor for final discussion.

STEPHANIE ZADER: Second.

PRESIDENT FALQUETTE: It's been moved and seconded to put 22-020 for final passage. Passes 8 to 0.

END OF DISCUSSION

PRESIDENT FALQUETTE: Mr. Davenport 22-021.

ALOMAR DAVENPORT: Thank you Mr. President I move that bill 22-021 be placed upon the floor for discussion.

STEPHANIE ZADER: Second.

PRESIDENT FALQUETTE: It's been moved and seconded. The clerk will now read bill 22-021.

AMY YOCKEY: Authorizing payment to Dixon's Fine Cleaning Service in the amount of six thousand sixty-one and 00/100 dollars (\$6,061.00) by affirming a Then and Now Certificate of the Finance Director, and declaring an emergency.

DIXON'S FINE CLEANING SERVICE

BY: MR. DAVENPORT

BILL #22-021

ORDINANCE #22-021

Authorizing payment to Dixon's Fine Cleaning Service in the amount of six thousand sixty-one and 00/100 dollars (\$6,061.00) by affirming a Then and Now Certificate of the Finance Director, and declaring an emergency.

Upon motion by Mr. Davenport that Bill 22-021 be read and placed upon the floor for second read, seconded by Mrs. Zader. The vote was taken and resulted as follows: Ayes: 8, Nays: 0

The bill was declared passed, signed by the President, approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

PRESIDENT FALQUETTE: Any further questions or comments? Hearing none, Mr. Davenport?

DISCUSSION: None

ALOMAR DAVENPORT: Thank you Mr. President I move bill 22-021 be placed upon the floor for final consideration.

STEPHANIE ZADER: Second.

PRESIDENT FALQUETTE: It's been moved and seconded, 22-021 for final vote. Passes 8 to 0.

END OF DISCUSSION

PRESIDENT FALQUETTE: Mr. Davenport 22-022. Button Please.

ALOMAR DAVENPORT: I turned it off. Thank you Mr. President I move that bill 22-022 be read and placed upon the floor for discussion.

STEPHANIE ZADER: Second.

PRESIDENT FALQUETTE: It's been moved and seconded. The clerk shall read bill 22-022.

AMY YOCKEY: Authorizing the acceptance of funding from the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services (OCJS) for the Northern Ohio Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Abuse Program (COSSAP), in the amount of four hundred seventy-one thousand, seventy-five and 34/100 dollars (\$471,075.34) to assist METRICH Drug Task Force operations, and declaring an emergency.

COSSAP

BY: MR. DAVENPORT

BILL #22-022

ORDINANCE: #22-022

Authorizing the acceptance of funding from the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services (OCJS) for the Northern Ohio Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Abuse Program (COSSAP), in the amount of four hundred seventy-one thousand, seventy-five and 34/100 dollars (\$471,075.34) to assist METRICH Drug Task Force operations, and declaring an emergency.

Upon motion by Mrs. Meier that Bill 22-022 be read and placed upon the floor for second read, seconded by Mrs. Zader. The vote was taken and resulted as follows: Ayes: 8, Nays: 0

The bill was declared passed, signed by the President, approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

PRESIDENT FALQUETTE: Any further questions or comments? Hearing none, Mr. Davenport?

DISCUSSION: None

ALOMAR DAVENPORT: Thank you Mr. President I move bill 22-022 be placed upon the floor for final consideration.

STEPHANIE ZADER: Second.

PRESIDENT FALQUETTE: It's been moved and seconded. Please cast your vote for 22-022. Passes 8 to 0.

END OF DISCUSSION

PRESIDENT FALQUETTE: Ms. Moton, 22-023

KIM MOTON: Thank you Mr. President I move that bill 22-023 be read and placed upon the floor for discussion.

STEPHANIE ZADER: Second.

PRESIDENT FALQUETTE: It's been moved and seconded. The clerk will now read bill 22-023.

AMY YOCKEY: Authorizing the Public Works Director to enter into a Job Creation Tax Credit Agreement with Ohio Valley Stamping-Assemblies, Inc., and declaring an emergency.

JOB CREATION TAX CREDIT AGREEMENT - OHIO VALLEY STAMPING-ASSEMBLIES, INC

BY: MS. MOTON

BILL #22-023

ORDINANCE #22-023

Authorizing the Public Works Director to enter into a Job Creation Tax Credit Agreement with Ohio Valley Stamping-Assemblies, Inc., and declaring an emergency.

Upon motion by Ms. Moton that Bill 22-023 be read and placed upon the floor for second read, seconded by Mrs. Zader. The vote was taken and resulted as follows: Ayes: 8, Nays: 0

The bill was declared passed, signed by the President, approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

PRESIDENT FALQUETTE: Any further questions or comments? Hearing none, Ms. Moton?

DISCUSSION: None

KIM MOTON: Thank you Mr. President I move bill 22-023 be placed upon the floor for final consideration.

STEPHANIE ZADER: Second.

PRESIDENT FALQUETTE: It's been moved and seconded. Please cast your ballot for bill 22-023. Passes 8 to 0.

END OF DISCUSSION

PRESIDENT FALQUETTE: Mr. Davenport 22-024.

ALOMAR DAVENPORT: Thank you Mr. President I move that bill 22-024 be read and placed upon the floor for discussion.

STEPHANIE ZADER: Second.

PRESIDENT FALQUETTE: It's been moved and seconded. The clerk shall read bill 22-024.

AMY YOCKEY: Authorizing the Interim Safety-Service Director to purchase, two (2) Pierce Impel Pumper Fire Trucks from Atlantic Emergency Solutions for the Fire Department, and declaring an emergency.

PIERCE IMPEL PUMPER FIRE TRUCKS

BY: MR. DAVENPORT

BILL #22-024

ORDINANCE: #22-024

Authorizing the Interim Safety-Service Director to purchase, two (2) Pierce Impel Pumper Fire Trucks from Atlantic Emergency Solutions for the Fire Department, and declaring an emergency.

Upon motion by Mrs. Meier that Bill 22-024 be read and placed upon the floor for second read, seconded by Mrs. Zader. The vote was taken and resulted as follows: Ayes: 8, Nays: 0

The bill was declared passed, signed by the President, approved by the Mayor and attested by the Clerk.

PRESIDENT FALQUETTE: Any further questions or comments? Hearing none, Mr. Davenport?

DISCUSSION: None

ALOMAR DAVENPORT: Thank you Mr. President I move bill 22-024 be placed upon the floor for final consideration.

STEPHANIE ZADER: Second.

PRESIDENT FALQUETTE: It's been moved and seconded. Please cast your final ballot for this evening for 22-024. Passes 8 to 0.

END OF DISCUSSION

CLOSING COMMENTS:

PRESIDENT FALQUETTE: Well after a long evening, I have no further legislation. Does anybody else have anything to drag the evening out?

STEPHANIE ZADER: Move to close.

CHERYL MEIER: Second

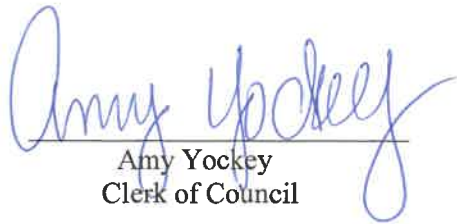
PRESIDENT FALQUETTE: I have a motion to close and a second. All those in favor say aye.

COUNCIL MEMBERS: Aye

PRESIDENT FALQUETTE: Hey were closed, 8:54 p.m. Thank you.

END OF DISCUSSION

ADJOURN: Upon motion by Mrs. Zader, seconded by Mrs. Meier, and passed by voice vote, the meeting was adjourned.


Amy Yockey
Clerk of Council


David Falquette
President