

**VILLAGE OF MANCHESTER
REGULAR VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
HELD AT 8 CLIFTON STREET, MANCHESTER NY
ON JANUARY 8, 2024**

Present: Michael J. Buttaccio, Mayor
William F. Henry, Deputy Mayor, Trustee
Charles E. Fine, Trustee
George C. Hotchkiss, DPW Supervisor

Absent: none

Others: Robyn Webb, Mike Blazey, Richard Yahn, Mark Turner MFD

Recording: Rita J. Gurewitch, Village Clerk/Treasurer

The Clerk led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Mayor Buttaccio called to order the regular meeting at 6:00 pm.

The minutes of the Regular meeting on December 4, 2023 were read. A motion was made by Trustee Henry, seconded by Trustee Fine, to approve the December meeting minutes, unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Henry, seconded by Trustee Fine, to approve the November and December Treasurer's reports, subject to audit. Unanimously carried. Bills were authorized for payment on Abstract #8 of Audited Vouchers, General Fund totaling \$59,338.22; Water Fund totaling \$37,273.87; Sewer Fund totaling \$7993.47; ARPA totaling \$; and Trust & Agency Fund \$13905.28; Capital Bond totaling \$.

Reported – MANCHESTER RAILROAD MEMORIAL PARK

Work continues on the red boxcar. It should be completed in late spring. Glass doors have been delivered and paid for by MMRA (Manchester Model Railroad Association). A six head track light will cost \$426.22. The Board approved this purchase. Mayor Buttaccio met with MRB Group to discuss any grants available. Possible projects include, Depot replica, Connect trail to RR park. This could bring in tourism.

Discussed – SPRING CLEAN-UP

The Board set a February 12th date for the next Board meeting for a Spring Clean Up discussion with the residents of the village. This will be in the February 1st water newsletter. The discussion will be for any pros and cons of having Spring Clean-Up.

Reported – CYBER SECURITY

The clerk filled out a survey for our insurance company NYMIR for cyber security. They are going to renew our coverage for another year.

Approved - FAIR HOUSING – Resolution 1-2024

The following resolution was offered by Trustee Henry, seconded by Trustee Fine and carried:

WHEREAS, the promise of individual equality and freedom of choice is the basis of our Nation's strength; and

WHEREAS, The National Fair Housing Law and the Civil Rights Act of 1968, provides that all persons shall have freedom of choice and the elimination of housing discrimination; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that this board does hereby reaffirm its commitment to the principles and tenants of the National Fair Housing Law within the Village of Manchester and endorses the County of Ontario's Fair Housing Program; and further

RESOLVED, that this resolution be entered into the minutes of this meeting and a copy be sent to the Ontario County Department of Housing and Community Resources.

The above resolution was put to roll call vote, which resulted as follows:

Mayor Buttaccio Voting "AYE"

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| Trustee Henry | Voting | "AYE" |
| Trustee Fine | Voting | "AYE" |

The resolution was duly adopted.

Approved - VILLAGE GENERAL ELECTION – MARCH 19, 2024 - RESOLUTION NO. 2 -2024

Trustee Fine offered the following resolution, seconded by Trustee Henry who moved its adoption:

WHEREAS there is to be an election in the Village of Manchester on Tuesday, March 19, 2024 to fill the office of Mayor for a term of four (4) years) and Trustee for a term of four (4) years; and

WHEREAS the Village of Manchester has just one election district, and

WHEREAS the Village of Manchester will not have a village registration day, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees establishes the polling place to be in the village board room at the Village Hall, 8 Clifton Street, Manchester, New York 14504 between the hours of 12:00 Noon until 9:00 PM on Tuesday, March 19, 2024.

The above resolution was put to roll call vote, which resulted as follows:

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| Mayor Buttaccio | Voting | "AYE" |
| Trustee Henry | Voting | "AYE" |
| Trustee Fine | Voting | "AYE" |

The resolution was duly adopted.

Discussion – Benches

There was a discussion on whether trees be planted or benches purchased for deceased employees. The Board will look into possibly benches.

Discussion – WATER AND SEWER RATES

There was a discussion on the Water and Sewer Funds unable to be self-sustaining. There will be a workshop on January 23rd at 10:00 am.

LETTERS/EMAILS: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

DPW REPORT

- Department of Health inspection showed that the health department wants the village water system to use chlorine pellets instead of liquid chlorine. There is cost to changing the system.

POLICE REPORT

- Cleaning out office.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

- 15 Calls for December. Total calls for 2023 was 251.
- Waiting on parts for 1781
- 1946 LaFrance, the department is looking to have it painted and put flowers around is like the American Legion has the airplane. Mayor Buttaccio said that BOCES may contract to get it running and take the dents out.
- There is a meeting on January 9th at 7:00 pm to discuss the next Holiday Festival and parade.
- Lexipol is a Public Safety Management service that the Fire Department is looking into to assist them in keeping up with regulations. The Board feels it is a good program, but there is some confusion as to the cost. This has been tabled until next month after getting more information.

The meeting was adjourned upon motion at 7:30 pm. Next meeting is Monday, February 12, 2024 at 6:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Rita J. Gurewitch
Village Clerk/Treasurer