

REGULAR MEETING-MANSFIELD TOWN COUNCIL-FEBRUARY 14, 2005

Mayor Elizabeth Paterson called the regular meeting of the Mansfield Town Council to order at 7:34 p.m. in the Council Chamber of the Audrey P. Beck Municipal Building.

I. ROLL CALL

Present: Blair, Clouette, Haddad, Hawkins, Koehn, Paterson, Paulhus, Redding
(arrived at 7:40 p.m.) Schaefer

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Clouette moved and Mr. Hawkins seconded to approve the minutes of January 31, 2005.

So passed. Ms. Blair abstained.

Mr. Haddad moved and Ms. Blair seconded to approve the minutes of January 24, 2005 as corrected.

So passed unanimously.

III. MOMENT OF SILENCE

Mayor Paterson asked for a moment of silence to remember all those persons serving in Iraq and in uniform abroad, for all those citizens who lives have been disrupted in Iraq, and for the victims of the Tsunami.

IV. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL

The Mayor welcomed the Journalism class from the University of Connecticut.

V. OLD BUSINESS

1. An Ordinance regulating Litter

The agenda item summary was handed out to Council members.

Mr. Haddad moved and Ms. Koehn seconded effective February 14, 2005, to schedule a public hearing for 7:30 p.m. at the Town Council's regular meeting on February 28, 2005, to solicit public input regarding the proposed Ordinance Regulating Litter.

So passed unanimously.

2. Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for Year Ended June 30. 2005.

Mr. Schaefer moved and Mr. Clouette seconded to approve the Annual Financial Report for year ended June 30, 2004.

So passed unanimously.

3. University Spring Weekend and Campus/Community Relations.

Mayor Paterson stated that the Campus Community Relations Committee met last week. There was a presentation by the Liquor Control Commission. The discussion was focused on licensing and what was legal when purchasing kegs and alcoholic beverages. There were students at the meeting and consensus was that this session was productive. There will be another meeting on February 28th in which the State Prosecutor for Rockville Court will speak on court procedures.

Mr. Haddad moved and Mr. Clouette seconded to add 4a to the agenda. Application to Department of Economic and Community Development for Small Cities Program Funds.

So passed unanimously.

Mr. Schaefer moved and Mr. Clouette seconded to add 4b to the agenda. Financial statement from 12/31/04.

So passed unanimously.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

4. Proposed Fiscal Year 2005/06 Budget Review Calendar

Mr. Haddad moved and Mr. Hawkins seconded that effective February 14, 2005, to adopt the Fiscal Year 2005/06 Budget Review Calendar, as proposed by staff.

So passed unanimously.

VII. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

VIII. REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES

5. Committee on Committees

- a. Appointments to Mansfield Housing Authority
- b. Appointments to Historic District Commission
- c. Appointments to Other Appointive Positions

Mr. Clouette moved and Mr. Hawkins seconded to appoint the following persons:

Mansfield Housing Authority

D William Simonsen, 43 Chatham Dr. term to end 10/31/09

R Dexter Eddy 403 Wrights Way term to end 10/31/07

Mansfield Historic District Commission

D Jody Newmyer 19 Centre Street reappointed term to end 1/1/2010

Advisory Committee on Persons with Disabilities

D Joan Seliger Sidney 74 Lynwood Road term to end 6/30/08

Open Space Preservation Committee

U Vicky Wetherell 33 Summit Road reappointed term to end 12/31/06

R Stephen Lowry 21 Stafford Road reappointed term to end 12/31/08

Cemetery Committee

D Rudy Favretti 1066 Middle Turnpike reappointed term to end 7/01/07

R Winston Hawkins PO Box 82 MC reappointed term to end 12/31/08

U Barry Burnham 78 Atwoodville Road, MC reappointed term to end 12/31/08

Council confirmed the Mayor's appointment to the Windham Regional Transit District:

U Paul Aho, 20 Eastwood Road, term to end 5/1/08

IX. REPORTS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

Council member Ms. Blair reported that she had attended E.O. Smith's play South Pacific and that it was a great production.

X. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

The Town/University Committee met last Tuesday. Mr. Adam Rabonowitz, President of the Graduate Student Senate, gave a presentation regarding the Senate's proposed Center for off-campus Services.

The Superintendent of Schools will be making a presentation to the Republican Town Committee on the possible renovation and use of the Reynolds School for education. All are invited.

The town has bought into a large 34-month energy program and will not be able to participate in the 20/10 clean energy program.

The town did not receive a FEMA Fire Act grant for the Mansfield Volunteer fire department, however Eagleville Fire Department is still in the running for a grant.

Thank you from Audrey Barberet was sent and received by all the Council members for her reception as she retired from Planning and Zoning Commission.

XI. FUTURE AGENDASXII. PETITIONS, REQUESTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

6. E. Paterson re: Downtown Mansfield Revitalization and Enhancement Project
7. C. van Zelm re: December 31, 2004 Progress Report for Downtown Mansfield Revitalization and Enhancement Project

- 8. VNA East re: Annual Report for Services and First Quarter Report
- 9. Connecticut Interlocal Risk Management Agency (CIRMA)-Risk Management Achievement Awards
- 10. Connecticut Charts-a-Course re: Tuition Assistance for Mansfield Discovery Depot Employees
- 11. Land Grant Preservation Committee re: UConn Yellow Dairy Barn
- 12. National League of Cities Early Care and Education City Network- January/February 2005
- 13. Housatonic Valley Council of Elected Officials re: Real Estate Conveyance Tax
- 14. Eastern CT Workforce Investment Council-Bimonthly Report to the Windham Council of Governments
- 15. The Daily Campus January 21, 2005-“Grant Programs Change, Campus Projects Continue”
- 16. Bittersweet Dispatch -Vol. II Winter 2005
- 17. Press Release-: “Windham Hospitality Center for Homeless to Reopen”
- 18. Senator C. Dodd re: No Child Left Behind Reform Act
- 19. Planning and Zoning Commission Application Referral-5 Lot Subdivision on Wormwood Hill Road
- 20. Planning and Zoning Commission Application Referral-25 Lot Subdivision off Mansfield City Road

XIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Not needed.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:05 p.m. Ms. Blair moved and Mr. Schaefer seconded to adjourn the meeting.
So passed unanimously.

Elizabeth Paterson, Mayor

Joan E. Gerdson, Town Clerk

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