

REGULAR MEETING-MANSFIELD TOWN COUNCIL-FEBRUARY 23,2004

Mayor Elizabeth Paterson called the regular meeting of the Mansfield Town Council to order at 7:48 p.m. in the Council Chamber of the Audrey P. Beck Municipal Building.

I. ROLL CALL

Present: Blair, Haddad, Hawkins, Paterson, Schaefer, Thorkelson
Absent: Bellm, Clouette, Paulhus

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Thorkelson moved and Mr. Hawkins seconded to approve the minutes with two corrections the date for the December 8, meeting was 2003 not 2004.

So passed. Mr. Schaefer abstained.

III. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL

No comments from the public.

IV. PUBLIC HEARING

1. Small Cities Community Development Block Grant-Potential Projects

Sharry Goldman, Browns Road, spoke on the need for assisted living in this community. She hoped that in the future it would be possible to receive a small cities grant to enable people to stay in the community in appropriate housing.

Larry Wagner, Consultant for the Town, for the Small Cities Grant Program, spoke on the program and how successful it has been for this community.

Cynthia van Zelm, Director of the Downtown Partnership, presented the town Council with a letter supporting funding from the Small Cities program, which would help support infrastructure improvements in the downtown project. Attached is letter.

At 8:10 p.m. the hearing was closed.

V. OLD BUSINESS

2. Proposed Budget Review Calendar

Mr. Haddad moved and Mr. Hawkins seconded to adopt the fiscal year 2004/05 budget review calendar dated February 23, 2004, as proposed by Town Staff. See attached.

3. University Spring Weekend

No new information.

Mr. Schaefer moved and Mr. Haddad seconded to add item 3A to the agenda.
Financial report.

So passed unanimously.

3A. Financial report.

Mr. Schaefer moved to accept the Financial report for the quarter ending
December 2003.

So passed unanimously.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

4. Proposed Bill No. 5224, "An Act Providing Funds for the erection of a monument
to commemorate the Connecticut 29th Colored Regiment C.V. Infantry

No action taken as the proposed bill died in the legislature.

5. Pre-paid Bag Disposal

Mr. Lon Hultgren, Director of Public Works, discussed the pre-paid bag system. The
staff will continue to obtain more data on this plan.

VII. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

VIII. REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES

IX. REPORTS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mayor Paterson spoke at the Legislature on behalf of the Town.

X. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

The Building Committee of the Community Center will no longer be meeting.
At the town Council's first or second meeting in April it would be appropriate for the
Council to thank the committee for their dedication and hard work.

Council member Bellm has resigned effective at end of March due to personnel
reasons.

Director of Emergency services, Mr. Dave Dagon has received a FEMA grant for the
Eagleville fire department.

XI. FUTURE AGENDAS

XII. PETITIONS, REQUESTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

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- 6. M. Berliner re: Downtown Mansfield Revitalization and Enhancement Project
- 7. M. Berliner re: State Library Grant
- 8. M. Berliner re: Proposed Telecommunications Facility, Knowlton, Ashford, Connecticut
- 9. Planning and Zoning Commission Application Referral-Four Lot Subdivision-Kidder Brook Estates
- 10. Town of Mansfield Budget in Brief-Grand List for Fiscal Year 2004/05(Corrected)
- 11. UConn Hazardous Waste Storage Site Study Advisory Committee-Minutes from January 8, 2004 Meeting
- 12. Connecticut Department of Transportation re: Approval of Town of Mansfield Highway Safety Grant Application
- 13. Connecticut Conference of Municipalities re: 2004 Budget has mixed results for Town and Cities
- 14. Research for Ovarian Cancer and Continued Survival re: Annual Heaton Ho\Halloween Haunt Walk-Thru
- 15. E. Paterson re: Letter of Recognition to Quinn Jones
- 16. E. Paterson re: "Mansfield's Around the World Celebration"
- 17. M. Berliner re: S.B. No. 39, "An Act Concerning Community Preservation"
- 18. M. Berliner re: S.B. No. 176, "An Act Increasing the PILOT for State-Owned Property and 13 College and Hospital Property?"
- 19. M. Hart re: Accessible Drive-Up Mailbox

XIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Not needed.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Haddad moved and Mr. Schaefer seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Elizabeth C. Paterson, Mayor

Joan E. Gerdson, Town Clerk