

Town of Manchester
March 9, 2021

The Mayor and Council of the Town of Manchester met in person on the above date. Those present were Mayor Warner (via Zoom), Melinda Smith, Jenn Miller, Debra Howe, Dale Wilder, Steve Miller, Michelle Wilder, Tom McCarron and Kelly Baldwin.

**7:30 PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED PATRIOT'S OVERLOOK ANNEXATION
RESOLUTION NO. 40-20.**

Kathy Paskewitz brought her concerns to the Town regarding the impact of this development. Ms. Paskewitz does not believe this proposed development meets the criteria of controlled, sustainable growth. Keith Regester expressed his concerns about the run-off and erosion onto Old Fort Schoolhouse Road. Mr. Regester believes this is an issue all along Route 27. Also, he is concerned about the wildlife. Michael Stencil was told developer would have 1 acre home-sites but that is not the case. Ms. Stencil is confused why the Planning and Zoning Commission approved this but not the proposed Lippy annexation. Tom Stone is concerned about the amount and quality of run-off from the property and how it will be managed. Ms. Stone is a member of the Maryland Ornithological Society and listed the species found on this property. He feels the salt from the snow will be harmful to the wildlife. Mr. Wilder thanks those who emailed their concerns about the proposed annexation.

Mr. Clark Schaeffer, attorney for the petitioner, addressed the Mayor and Council about the fact that this property was in the PGA (Planned Growth Area) but was seeking a re-zoning to increase the density. He mentioned that the storm water management requirements are much more stringent than they were. Another positive is that this annexation would make a unified development with all services in Town. Mr. Hackett believes it will be easier to deal with one P&Z Board not two. The total homes would be 36 lots and the County has approved a waiver from R-40,000 to R-20,000.

Ms. Miller made a motion to close the public hearing and go into a general session. Ms. Smith seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Smith made a motion to approve the January 12, 2021 minutes as printed. Ms. Miller seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Smith made a motion to receive the January 2021 Treasurer's report. Ms. Miller seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Miller made a motion to receive the February 2021 Check register. Ms. Howe seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Marvin Kaltrider sent his annual request for a permit to spray chemicals on rented property located within Manchester. Ms. Smith made a motion to accept his request. Ms. Howe seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Miller gave his Town Administrator's report. There has been no movement on the Opioid litigation or Trout Unlimited. The MVHS sign location is still being explored. AT&T has responded back to the Town and there will be a conference call scheduled. EXP Reality has listed the property at 3215 Long Lane formerly the Police Station. Code enforcement continues. Tipping fees of \$30/ton started for recycling as of January 1, 2021.

Mr. Miller read the DPW report. There were 5 snow events in February. The Park Avenue Water Tower rehab project is set to begin March 26th.

There were 120 calls for service in the month of February. Traffic enforcement continues with 16 citations and 118 warnings issued. There were two Part 1 crimes reported.

Staff received 3 proposals for Phase II of the WWTP's UV Disinfection System Upgrade. This is for 2 control cabinet refurbishments. Ms. Miller made a motion to approve the bid from

Swam Electric in the amount of \$34,741. Ms. Smith seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Ruth Doxen commended the snow removal crew on their efforts this winter.

Council members gave committee reports.

Ms. Smith made a motion to adjourn the general session. Ms. Miller seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:22pm.

Respectfully submitted, Kelly J. Baldwin