

Town of Manchester
March 10, 2026

The Mayor and Council of the Town of Manchester met in person on the above date. Those in attendance were Mayor Melinda Smith, Ryan Nazelrod, Steve Miller, Jenn Miller, Vince Pacelli, Chris Cuneo, Matt Leister, Chief Hess and Kelly Baldwin.

7pm PUBLIC HEARING ON ORD. 271

Mr. Miller made a motion to close the regular meeting and open the public hearing on Ordinance No. 271 which comprehensively amends various provisions of Chapter 250 entitled ZONING. Ms. Miller seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. There were no comments from the community. Mr. Cuneo made a motion to close the public hearing and go into a regular meeting. Mr. Nazelrod seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Ms. Miller made a motion to receive the January 2026 Treasurer's Report. Mr. Pacelli seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Mr. Miller made a motion to receive the February 2026 Check Register. Mr. Cuneo seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Smith read the monthly Mayor's Report. There will be an FY27 Budget work session on Wednesday, March 25th at 6:30pm. Water bills will be mailed by April 1st and due April 30th. There are 2 scholarship opportunities for students – the Charlotte B. Collett Memorial scholarship and the Carroll County Chapter of the Maryland Municipal League. Applications can be found on our website. Hughes Trash will start yard waste collection on Wednesday, April 8th and continue through December 16th. Brush pickup will be on April 16th, and bulk trash pickup will be on April 15th. There will be a dedication of Hailey's Wish Inclusive playground equipment on May 2, 2026. The Town is accepting applications for Military Banner Program for Main Street.

Mr. Leister gave the monthly Town Administrator and Public Works report. Charlotte's Quest Nature Center members are partnering with the BGE Eco Team to do a cleanup in Pine Valley Park on April 22nd. MDE and CDM Smith are still working through design discrepancies on the WWTP ENR project. C2 Crane submitted a permit to DNR for trimming Main Street trees. The PFAS project is progressing. Code enforcement continues. Staff are still working on a new website. Mr. Miller mentioned his concern over the crosswalk at Rt. 30 and Rt. 27. Mr. Leister is working with SHA on a solution.

The Mayor and Council tabled the following 2 projects to get more information – Paving Ferrier Road Water Pump House driveway and the Historic Center window replacement.

Ms. Miller asked if the Lions Club pool fixed their leak before they refilled the pools. Mr. Leister will check the status.

Chief Hess read the monthly Police Report. There was one (1) Part-One crime in February 2026. Traffic continues to be an issue. There were 151 citations and warnings issued and 56 calls for service.

Mr. Miller made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 271 which comprehensively amends various provisions of Chapter 250 titled "Zoning". Ms. Miller seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Smith introduced Ordinance No. 272 amending Chapter 182 -Snow and Ice relating to responsibility of removal. There will be a discussion at the April 14, 2026, meeting.

Mayor Smith read Resolution No. 01-2026 clarifying which streets, roads and alleys are the Town's responsibility versus private responsibilities. Mr. Miller made a motion to approve the Resolution. Mr. Cuneo seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Jay Landsman introduced himself as a candidate who is running for the Carroll County Sheriff's position.

Several representatives from Flight Fiber introduced themselves and explained their desire to do door-to-door solicitation throughout Town. Chief Hess explained the process.

Council members gave committee reports.

Ms. Miller made a motion to adjourn the general session. Mr. Nazelrod seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:04pm.

Respectfully submitted, Kelly J. Baldwin