

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held Monday, March 12, 2007, at 7:00 p.m., in the City Commission Room.

Mayor Joslin called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Commissioners Present: Mayor Joslin and Vice Mayor Bissell; Commissioners Holton, Kilmer, McGuire, Moreno and Spycher

Commissioners Absent: None

Others Present: Assistant City Manager Ridley, City Clerk Flynn and City Attorney Romashko

Proclamations and Presentations

1. Mayor Joslin read and presented to Mike Ross, Principal, Vowles School, a Proclamation in support of Peacemaking Recognition Day – March 26, 2007.
2. Mayor Joslin read and presented to Ms. Cindy Neal-VanderPloeg, President, Downtown Business Association, a Neighborhood Mini Grant in the amount of \$500 to the Downtown Gardens neighborhood group.
3. Mayor Joslin read a statement and presented to Mr. Eric Guimond and Mr. Tyler Lang Certificates of Recognition for lifesaving action on February 17, 2007.

Received the following communications and petitions:

1. Received resignation from Marnie Basney, City representative on the Isabella County Material Recovery Facility Governing Board
2. Downtown Development Board Minutes (February)
3. Historic District Commission Minutes (February)
4. Mt. Pleasant Housing Commission Minutes (January)
5. Wastewater Treatment Plant (February)
- 5(b) Mt. Pleasant Fire Department 2006 Annual Report

Commissioner Holton asked that item 14(a) be removed from the Consent Calendar.

Moved by Commissioner Holton and supported by Commissioner Spycher to approve the following items on the Consent Calendar:

1. Minutes of the special meeting held February 26, 2007, the regular meeting held February 26, 2007; the closed meeting held February 26, 2007; and the special meeting held March 1, 2007.
2. Bid from Horizon Brothers Painting of Howell, Michigan in the amount of \$191,500.00 for repainting and maintenance repair of the elevated water storage tank.
3. Contract with Dixon Engineering of Lake Odessa, Michigan in the amount of \$16,707.00 per month for inspection services for elevated water storage tank project.
4. Bid from Allied Waste, Inc. of Kalamazoo, Michigan in the amount of \$16,076.00 for a three-year residential refuse collection contract.
5. Reschedule public hearing on request to vacate a portion of Broadway Street right-of-way west of Bradley Street from March 26, 2007 to April 9, 2007.
6. WHEREAS, Article XII, Section 4 “Municipal Utilities”, of the Charter of the City of Mt. Pleasant, requires that all unpaid utility services be reported by the City Manager to the City Commission, and
WHEREAS, the City Commission shall order publication of a notice of unpaid utility charges,
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Commission orders that public notice be given that all unpaid utility charges not paid by April 15, 2007, will be assessed upon city tax rolls against the property to which the utility services have been supplied or furnished.
7. Reschedule public hearing on proposed revisions to the Housing Licensing Code from March 26, 2007 to April 23, 2007.

8. WHEREAS, under the date of December 14, 2006, the Traffic Engineer of the City of Mt. Pleasant issued temporary traffic control order No. 13-06 (Install "Motorcycle Parking Only" signs in the striped no parking areas near the intersections on Main Street at Broadway, Michigan, and Illinois Streets) Said temporary traffic control order was presented to the City Commission on March 12, 2007, for review and after reviewing said Temporary Traffic Control Order and being fully advised in the premises,
BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Commission approves making temporary traffic control order No. 13-06 a permanent traffic control order.
9. Payrolls dated March 9, 2007, check numbers 060045-060256, and warrants dated March 1, 2007, check numbers 056243-056392, all totaling \$1,128,417.42.

Motion unanimously adopted.

A public hearing was held on the special assessment roll for Special Assessment District No. 2-07 (reline sewer leads on Broadway Street from Main to Lansing). There being no public comment or communications received, the Mayor closed the public hearing.

The following Resolution No. 5 was offered by Commissioner Moreno and supported by Commissioner Holton:

WHEREAS, the City Commission has met after due and legal notice and reviewed the special assessment roll to defray Special Assessment District No. 2-07 share of the cost of certain public expenditures, described as: reline sewer leads that have not been reconstructed since 1997 on Broadway Street from Main to Lansing in the City.

WHEREAS, after hearing all persons interested therein and after carefully reviewing the special assessment roll, the Commission deems said special assessment roll to be fair, just and equitable and that each of the assessments contained thereon are in accordance with the benefits to be derived by each parcel of land assessed;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. Said special assessment roll as prepared by the City Assessor, in the amount of \$52,800, is hereby confirmed.
 2. Said special assessment roll may be divided into five annual installments, the first of which shall be due and payable on July 1, 2008.
 3. Interest shall be charged on the unpaid balance of said special assessment roll at the rate of five percent (5%), commencing one (1) month after notification that the project has been completed. There will be no interest if paid within one month of the written notification from the City Treasurer.
 4. The City Clerk is directed to attach his warrant to a certified copy of this resolution within ten (10) days after its adoption requesting the Assessor to spread and the Treasurer to collect the sums and amounts as directed by the Commission.
 5. The City Clerk is directed to endorse the date of confirmation on the roll.
 6. All resolutions and parts of resolutions conflicting with the provisions of this resolution are rescinded.
- Resolution unanimously adopted.

A public hearing was held on proposed ordinance to amend Title IX, Chapter 98, Streets And Sidewalks, of the Code of Ordinances, to prohibit soliciting on streets and impeding traffic. There being no public comment or communications received, the Mayor closed the public hearing.

Moved by Commissioner Holton and supported by Vice Mayor Bissell that proposed ordinance to amend Title IX, Chapter 98, Streets And Sidewalks, of the Code of Ordinances, having been introduced and read, now be passed, ordained and ordered published.

AYES: Commissioners Joslin, Bissell, Holton, Kilmer, McGuire and Spycher
NAYS: Commissioner Moreno

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

A public hearing was held on the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund grant application. Recreation Director Chris Bundy gave a presentation on proposed budget and projects to be requested. There being no public comment or communications received, the Mayor closed the public hearing. No action was necessary.

A public hearing was held on the Access Recreation grant application. Recreation Director Chris Bundy and Community Foundation board member Mary Ellen Brandell gave a presentation on development and financing of the grant application. There being no public comment or communications received, the Mayor closed the public hearing. No action was necessary.

Building Official Brian Kench answered questions from Commissioners regarding the demolition of property at 607/611 North Washington Street.

Moved by Commissioner Spycher and supported by Commissioner Kilmer to award the demolition contract of property at 607/611 North Washington Street to Pitsch Company of Grand Rapids in the amount of \$23,490. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Holton and supported by Commissioner Kilmer to refer to the Planning Commission United Investments' request for conditional rezoning consideration. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner McGuire and supported by Commissioner Holton to set public hearing for April 9, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. on Zoning Ordinance amendment to designate zoning of property on North Fancher Street at Industrial Avenue, annexed in accordance with PA 425 of 1984. Motion unanimously adopted.

Vice Mayor Bissell read the following recommendations from the Appointments Committee for appointments to boards and commissions:

	<u>Term To Expire</u>
<u>DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT BOARD</u>	
CBD TIFA	
Susan Pyecroft, 517 S. Washington	January 31, 2008
CMU Representative	
Rich Morrison, West Hall 202, CMU	January 31, 2008
Chamber of Commerce Executive Board	
Jim Kostrava, 114 E. Broadway	January 31, 2008
CVB President	
Mary Carroll, 114 E. Broadway	January 31, 2008
DBA Chair	
Cindy Neal-VanderPloeg, 120 S. Main	January 31, 2008
DCC Chair	
Rick Swindlehurst, 110 W. Michigan	January 31, 2008
DPOA Chair	
Jeff Jakeway, 1028 S. Mission St., Suite 5	January 31, 2008
Principal Shopping District Resident	
Dave Verwey, 425 S. Washington	January 31, 2011

FIRE AND POLICE RETIREMENT BOARD

Greg Schmidt, 606 S. Fancher January 31, 2011

Moved by Vice Mayor Bissell and supported by Commissioner Spycher to approve the Appointments Committee's recommendations as presented. Motion unanimously adopted.

City Commissioners individually prioritized their projects for Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe two percent allocations.

Announcements on City-related Issues and Concerns

Commissioner Moreno announced coming events at CMU regarding the war in Iraq.

Moved by Commissioner Holton and supported by Vice Mayor Spycher that the meeting be adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

Jon Joslin, Mayor

Robert J. Flynn, City Clerk