

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held Monday, February 25, 2019, at 7:00 p.m., in the City Commission Room.

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

Commissioners Present: Mayor Joseph and Vice Mayor Gillis; Commissioners Kulick, LaLonde, Ling, Perschbacher and Tolas

Commissioners Absent: None

Others Present: City Manager Ridley and City Clerk Howard

Public Input on Agenda Items

Lee Ann Rogers, 1053 E. Maple St., and Sarah Gurski, 1054 E. Maple St., spoke in opposition of the narrowing of Maple Street.

Receipt of Petitions and Communications

Received the following petitions and communications:

1. City Manager report on pending items.
2. Planning Commission Work Session and Regular Session Minutes. (December)
3. Airport Advisory Board Minutes. (January)
4. Notification of comment period from Federal Aviation Administration.
5. Correspondence at the dais from Lee Ann Rogers, 1053 E. Maple St., and Leroy Rogers, 1053 E. Maple Street in opposition to Maple Street renovation project.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Vice Mayor Gillis to approve the following items on the Consent Calendar:

1. Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held February 11, 2019.
2. Minutes of the closed session of the City Commission held February 11, 2019.
3. Contract with Prein & Newhof of Grand Rapids, Michigan for the design and construction engineering for the 2020 Brown Street Reconstruction Project at a not to exceed cost of \$72,365.
4. Bid of American Athletix of Muskegon, Michigan in the amount of \$58,925 for the steel structure of the amphitheater project.
5. Authorize amendment to the airport snow removal contract with Pat McGuirk to increase the total not to exceed amount to \$24,500 and authorize a budget amendment of \$6,000 for same.
6. Authorize amendment to the contract with R & T Murphy Trucking, LLC to a not to exceed amount of \$24,000 for the 2018-2019 snow season and authorize a budget amendment of \$10,000 for same.
7. Resolution to Adopt Collins Drive between Mission street and East Campus Drive as a City Street:

WHEREAS: the City of Mt. Pleasant did acquire land for street right-of-way for street purposes in 2018, and the street was constructed in 2018, and

WHEREAS: it is necessary to furnish certain information to the State of Michigan to place this street within the City of Mt. Pleasant street system for the purpose of obtaining funds under Act 51, P.A. 1951 as amended.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED:

1. That said street is to be named Collins Drive.
2. That the center line of Collins Drive is described as follows:

PART OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 22, TOWN 14 NORTH, RANGE 4 WEST, CITY OF MT. PLEASANT, ISABELLA COUNTY, MICHIGAN, DESCRIBED AS: COMMENCING AT THE EAST 1/4 CORNER OF SAID SECTION 22; THENCE N01°37'45"E 289.00 FEET ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID SECTION 22; THENCE N88°40'40"W 43.00 FEET TO THE WEST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF S. MISSION STREET (93 FEET WIDE, PUBLIC); THENCE S01°37'45"W 12.50 FEET ALONG SAID WEST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF S. MISSION STREET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE N88°40'40"W 340.76 FEET TO THE POINT OF ENDING. BEARING BASIS: LEGAL DESCRIPTION PER WARRANTY DEED, LIBER 1747, PAGE 752, ISABELLA COUNTY RECORDS.

3. That said street is located within a City of Mt. Pleasant right-of-way and is under the control of the City of Mt. Pleasant.

4. That said street is a public street and is for public street purposes.

5. That said street is accepted into the City of Mt. Pleasant Local Street system and was open to the public December 10, 2018.

8. Approve appointment of Cory Friedrich as the representative of the Planning Commission to the Zoning Board of Appeal for a one-year term as recommended by the Planning Commission.

9. Warrants dated February 6, 14 and 15, 2019 and Payrolls dated February 8, 2019 all totaling \$798,781.77.

Motion unanimously adopted.

A public hearing was held on Special Assessment Roll for Special Assessment District 1-19. No public comments or communications were received. Mayor Joseph closed the public hearing.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Commissioner LaLonde to approve Resolution #5 for Special Assessment District 1-2019 as presented.

Moved by Vice Mayor Gillis and supported by Commissioner Tolas to amend the original motion to change 3% interest rate to 0%.

AYES: Commissioners Gillis and Tolas

NAYS: Commissioners Joseph, Kulick, LaLonde, Ling and Perschbacher

ABSENT: None

Motion failed.

Moved by Vice Mayor Gillis and supported by Commissioner Tolas to amend the original motion to change 3% interest rate to 1%.

AYES: Commissioners Gillis and Tolas
NAYS: Commissioners Joseph, Kulick, LaLonde, Ling and Perschbacher
ABSENT: None
Motion failed.

The Commission considered the original Motion to approve Resolution #5 for Special Assessment District 1-2019 as presented:

WHEREAS, the City Commission held a public hearing on February 11, 2019 after due and legal notice and reviewed the special assessment roll to defray Special Assessment District No. 1-19, share of the cost of certain public expenditures, described as installing pedestrian street lights on Pleasant St., Clayton St. and also Gaylord and May Sts. east to the alley between Main and University Sts. in the City Special Assessment District No. 1-19; and,

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 \$99,412.40 with \$44,571.85 being paid by the properties specifically benefited and with \$54,840.55 paid by the city-at-large is hereby confirmed.
2. Said special assessment roll is payable in six (6) annual installments which shall be due and payable beginning on July 1, 2020.
3. Interest shall be charged on the unpaid balance of said special assessment roll at the rate of three percent (3%), commencing three (3) months after notification that the project has been completed. There will be no interest if paid within three (3) months 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 City Assessor to spread and the City 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.

AYES: Commissioners Gillis, Joseph, Kulick, LaLonde, Ling and Perschbacher
NAYS: Commissioner Tolas
ABSENT: None
Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Commissioner LaLonde to approve the bid of C & R Electric LLC of Shepherd, Michigan for the 2019 Pedestrian Street Lighting Project in the amount of \$156,800. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Vice Mayor Gillis and supported by Commissioner LaLonde to direct staff to redesign reconstruction of Maple Street at the existing width of 41 feet.

AYES: Commissioners Gillis, Joseph, LaLonde, Ling, Perschbacher and Tolas
NAYS: Commissioner Kulick
ABSENT: None
Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Vice Mayor Gillis to postpone action on resolution authorizing an amendment to the Standard Lighting Contract between the City and Consumers Energy for new LED street lighting on Maple Street and budget amendment for the same until completion of redesign of the reconstruction of Maple Street at the existing width of 41 feet. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Commissioner LaLonde to approve a budget amendment of \$38,000 for the Parks and Public Spaces Department for a nine-month seasonal skilled position for 2019 only, and provide for the evaluation of this staffing for effectiveness in the parks and public spaces operations.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Commissioner Tolas to call for the previous question. Motion unanimously adopted.

Original motion to approve a budget amendment of \$38,000 for the Parks and Public Spaces Department for a nine-month seasonal skilled position for 2019 only, and provide for the evaluation of this staffing for effectiveness in the parks and public spaces operations.

AYES: Commissioners Kulick, LaLonde, Ling and Perschbacher
NAYS: Commissioner Gillis, Joseph and Tolas
ABSENT: None
Motion carried.

Announcements on City-Related Issues and New Business

Commissioner Kulick thanked City staff for the work done so far this winter on the streets, water, etc. He reminded residents that the overnight parking restrictions are in effect until April 1.

Al Davis, 111 S. Coldwater Rd., spoke in opposition to wind turbines within 5 miles of the City and airport.

Blake Kwiecinski, Student Government Association, introduced himself as the new SGA representative to the City Commission and commented that he would like to see future meetings with City Commission on campus.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Vice Mayor Gillis to adjourn the meeting at 8:24 p.m. Motion unanimously adopted.

William Joseph, Mayor

Jeremy Howard, City Clerk