

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held Monday, October 9, 2017, at 7:00 p.m., in the City Commission Room.

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

Commissioners Present: Mayor Ling and Vice Mayor Lents; Commissioners Gillis, Holton, Kulick and Madaj

Commissioners Absent: Commissioner Verleger

Others Present: City Manager Ridley, City Clerk Howard and City Attorney Curcio

Proclamations and Presentations

Mayor Ling read and presented a Proclamation to Saginaw Chippewa Tribal Council Members Ronnie Ekdahl and Kenny Sprague, recognizing Indigenous Peoples Day as October 9, 2017.

Receipt of Petitions and Communications

Received the following petitions and communications:

1. City Manager report on pending items.
2. Planning Commission Minutes (September).
3. Tax Increment Finance Authority/Principal Shopping District TIFA/PSD Minutes (August).
4. Parks and Recreation Commission Minutes (July).
5. Redevelopment Ready Communities Quarterly Report.
6. Correspondence received regarding residential snow removal ordinance. (2)
7. Correspondence received from Omar Michael Fakhouri regarding medical marihuana feedback.
8. Resignation of Wynne Winslow from the Parks and Recreation Commission.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Commissioner Madaj to approve the following items on the Consent Calendar:

1. Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held September 25, 2017.
2. Minutes of closed sessions (2) of the City Commission held September 25, 2017.
3. Bid of Garber Contracting Inc. of Mt. Pleasant, Michigan for Island Park Shelter Roof Replacement for a total contract price including base bid and alternate for a total cost of \$74,265.
4. Award contract to Rowe Professional Services of Mt. Pleasant, Michigan for 2017 IMG Reservoir Bypass Project in the amount of \$18,300.
5. Authorize the Mayor to sign a two year contract with The Hartford as our vendor for life insurance and accidental death and dismemberment coverage related to benefits required by collective bargaining agreement and employee benefit plans.
6. Resolution in support of final approval of Temporary Traffic Control Order 6-2017:

WHEREAS, the Traffic Engineer of the City of Mt. Pleasant requests that the City Commission issue Traffic Control Order No. 6-2017 (Place "yield to pedestrians within crosswalk" sign (R1-6) on Main Street each direction of the entrance to Island Park on Lincoln Street). Said traffic control order was presented to the City Commission on October 9, 2017, for review and after reviewing said control order and being fully advised in the premises,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Commission approves traffic control order No. 6-2017 as a permanent traffic control order.

7. Authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign the appropriate documents for four F-250 trucks at a not-to-exceed cost of \$35,000 through the purchase-buyback program with Krapohl Ford of Mt. Pleasant, Michigan.
8. Approve recommended changes to the out-of-network annual deductible and prescription drug program in the Professional, Administrative, Confidential and Technical (PACT) Employee Benefits and Personnel Policies as presented.
9. Rescind the 1975 policy on Civil Rights and Employment Practices.

10. Warrants dated September 20, 26 & 28, 2017 and Payroll dated September 22, 2017 all totaling \$1,037,513.81.

Motion unanimously adopted.

A public hearing was held on proposed ordinance to amend Sections 54.02, 54.03, 54.04 and 54.09 of the Mt. Pleasant City Code to address parking lot reconstruction and off-site pass through. There being no public comments or communications, the Mayor closed the public hearing.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Commissioner Madaj that Ordinance 1028, an ordinance to amend Sections 54.02, 54.03, 54.04 and 54.09 of the Mt. Pleasant City Code to address parking lot reconstruction and off-site pass through be passed, ordained and ordered published.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Commissioner Holton to add a phrase to Section 54.04a1 as follows: "however, the catch basin or manhole must reduce outflow by 10%".

AYES: Commissioners Gillis, Holton and Kulick
NAYS: Commissioners Lents, Ling and Madaj
ABSENT: Commissioner Verleger
Motion failed.

The Commission considered the original motion.

AYES: Commissioners Gillis, Holton, Kulick, Lents, Ling and Madaj
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Commissioner Verleger
Motion carried.

Moved by Vice Mayor Lents and supported by Commissioner Gillis to receive proposed ordinance amendments to the Mt. Pleasant City Code and set public hearing for Monday, October 23, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. on same.

- a. Add new section 150.02 to regulate swimming pools.
- b. Add Chapter 156 to provide for and regulate local historic districts.
- c. Add Section 32.30 to specify the power of the City Planning Commission

Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Gillis and supported by Vice Mayor Lents to receive proposed new zoning ordinance and map and set public hearing for Monday, November 13, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. on same.

AYES: Commissioners Gillis, Holton, Lents, Ling and Madaj
NAYS: Commissioner Kulick
ABSENT: Commissioner Verleger
Motion carried.

Moved by Vice Mayor Lents and supported by Commissioner Kulick to receive an amendment to the Tax Increment Finance Authority (TIFA) plan to add fire safety grants as an eligible project and set a public hearing for Monday, November 13, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. on same.

AYES: Commissioners Holton, Kulick, Lents, Ling and Madaj
NAYS: Commissioner Gillis
ABSENT: Commissioner Verleger
Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Commissioner Gillis to enter into closed session pursuant to subsection 8(h) of the Open Meetings Act for material exempt from discussion or disclosure by state or federal statute.

AYES: Commissioners Gillis, Holton, Kulick, Lents, Ling and Madaj

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Verleger

Motion carried.

Announcements on City-Related Issues and New Business

Commissioner Kulick announced Trick or Treating will take place on Tuesday, October 31 from 6 until 8 p.m. and that the fall leaf pick-up schedule is as follows:

Week of Oct. 23: Rake leaves into low piles

Week of Oct. 30: Leaf collection week

Week of Nov. 6: Rake leaves into low piles

Week of Nov. 13: Leaf collection week

Week of Nov. 20: Rake leaves into low piles

Week of Nov. 27: Final leaf collection week

Vice Mayor Lents announced that the Pumpkin Promenade will take place downtown on Tuesday, October 31 beginning at 4:00 p.m.

Commissioner Gillis announced that there are positions available on City Boards and Commissions and encouraged residents to go on-line and apply; she reminded public that nuisance party complaints can be called in to Central Dispatch; election signs can only be placed in your yard and not in the public right-of-way; Last day to register to vote is Tuesday October 10. Absentee ballots are now available from the City Clerk's office. There are six candidates running for two City Commission positions; League of Women Voters is holding a City Commission candidate forum in the City Commission Chambers on Tuesday, October 17 beginning at 7:00 p.m.; SWAN neighborhood will also be holding a candidate forum. Commissioner Gillis thanked Code Enforcement for dealing quickly with graffiti at railroad bridge and pump station on M-20.

Commissioner Holton spoke in opposition of the Resolution in support of amending the Central Michigan District Health Department Sanitary Code that was adopted by the City Commission on September 11th.

Mayor Ling thanked the high school students in attendance.

City Manager Ridley announced that the application deadline for boards and commissions is October 23.

The Commission recessed at 7:46 p.m. and reconvened at 7:49 p.m. to conduct a closed session.

The Commission went into closed session at 7:49 p.m. A separate set of minutes was taken for the closed session.

The Commission recessed at 8:18 p.m. and reconvened at 8:25 p.m. to conduct a work session.

WORK SESSION – Michigan Medical Marihuana Facilities Licensing Act (MMMFLA) discussion.

Mayor Ling led a discussion on Michigan Medical Marihuana Facilities Licensing Act (MMMFLA).

Discussion ensued.

Staff will summarize issues discussed to bring back to the Commission at a future date after State of Michigan LARA regulations have been released so that continued discussion on preferred direction and a potential ordinance can take place.

Mayor Ling adjourned the meeting at 9:25 p.m. without objection.

Kathleen Ling, Mayor

Jeremy Howard, City Clerk