Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held Monday, September 8, 2008, at 7:13 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 Holton; Commissioners Kilmer, Ling, McGuire, Palmer and Spycher

Commissioners Absent: None

Others Present: City Manager Grinzinger, City Clerk Howard and City Attorney Smith

Proclamations and Presentations

Parks, Buildings & Grounds Director Greg Baderschneider presented an update on West Broadway Revitalization Project.

Mayor Joslin proclaimed September 17-23, 2008 as “Constitution Week” and presented the proclamation to Marydeana Duckworth.

Additions to Agenda

Item 13 “Consider closed session” was removed from the agenda.

Received the following petitions and communications:
1. Correspondence regarding High Street speed limit
2. Resignation from Parks and Recreation Commission member
3. City Manager’s Mid-Year State of the City Progress Report
4. Water Department (August)

Item 8 c – “Broadway Streetscape project site work” and item 11 “Consider resolution of support for Le Tour de Mont Pleasant 2009” were removed from the Consent Calendar.

Moved by Vice Mayor Holton and supported by Commissioner Kilmer to approve the following items on the Consent Calendar:
2. Bid of Pinnacle Designs of Saginaw, Michigan in the amount of $21,825.69 to provide new furniture and fixtures for the airport terminal building and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the agreement on behalf of the City.
3. Bid of Wolverine Power Systems of Gaylord, Michigan in the amount of $18,325 for emergency generator at the Watson Street sanitary sewer pump station and bid from Coleman Electric of Coleman, Michigan in the amount of $31,675 for emergency generator for the Mt. Pleasant Municipal Airport and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the agreements on behalf of the City.
4. Bid of Block Electric Company of Mt. Pleasant, Michigan in the amount of $104,400 for the electrical component of the Broadway Streetscape Project and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the agreement on behalf of the City.
5. Bid of Simoni Systems of Saginaw, Michigan to complete the design and installation of the Audio Visual equipment, as well as a contingency for additional work as needed, in the Borden Building in an amount not to exceed $90,600 and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the agreement on behalf of the City.
6. Bid of Yeo & Yeo Computer Consulting, LLC of Saginaw, Michigan in the amount of $36,680.96 for the purchase of network equipment for the Borden Building and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the agreement on behalf of the City.
7. Authorize the purchase of 950 tons of road salt through the MiDeal Extended Purchasing Program for the 2008-2009 winter season for a total contract price of $41,580.

8. WHEREAS, under the date of June 20, 2008, the Traffic Engineer of the City of Mt. Pleasant issued temporary traffic control order No. 1-08 (Change the parking on Lansing Street between Broadway and Michigan Streets from ten hour parking to three hour parking.) Said temporary traffic control order was presented to the City Commission on September 8, 2008, for review and after reviewing said temporary control order and being fully advised in the premises, 

BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Commission approves making temporary traffic control order No. 1-08 a permanent traffic control order.

9. Payrolls dated 9/05/08 check Nos. 2833-2907 and DD2320-2235 and warrants dated 08/28/08, check numbers 3122-3310, all totaling $858,278.85.

Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Spycher and supported by Vice Mayor Holton to award the contract for Broadway Streetscape project site work to Crawford Contracting, Inc. of Alma, Michigan in the amount of $246,000 and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the agreement on behalf of the City. Discussion ensued.

Moved by Commissioner Spycher and supported by Commissioner Ling to amend the above motion to change the contract price from $246,000 to a not to exceed amount of $271,023.10. The additional costs will be paid from the Borden Building contingency fund. The motion to amend was unanimously approved.

The Commission considered the original motion with amendment. Motion unanimously approved.

The City Commission received the Proposed 2009 Operating Budget.

The following Resolution of support for Le Tour de Mont Pleasant 2009 was offered by Commissioner Ling and supported by Vice Mayor Holton:

WHEREAS, The City of Mt. Pleasant is dedicated to providing quality community services to the area it serves; and

WHEREAS, Community leadership and involvement through partnerships with community organizations is a crucial element in the accomplishment of that mission; and

WHEREAS, The Mt. Pleasant Area Chamber of Commerce is hosting a community and county-wide event entitled “Le Tour de Mont Pleasant”, a series of community and pro-racing bicycling events, and wishes to partner with the City of Mt. Pleasant; and

WHEREAS, The City of Mt. Pleasant wishes to partner with the Mt. Pleasant Area Chamber of Commerce to provide a positive economic impact in the city;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the City of Mt. Pleasant formally expresses its desire to work together and partner with the Mt. Pleasant Area Chamber of Commerce to host “Le Tour de Mont Pleasant” bicycling event to be held in the spring of 2009.

Resolution unanimously adopted.

The City Commission received City requests for Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe two percent allocations.
Announcements on City-Related Issues and Concerns

Vice Mayor Holton congratulated Commissioner Palmer on his marriage.

Moved by Vice Mayor Holton and supported by Commissioner Kilmer that the meeting adjourn at 7:50 p.m. Motion unanimously adopted.

Jon Joslin, Mayor

Jeremy Howard, City Clerk