Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held Monday, April 13, 2009 at 7:01 p.m. in the City Commission Room.

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

Commissioners Present: Mayor Holton and Vice Mayor Kilmer; Commissioners Joslin, Ling, McGuire, Palmer and Tilmann

Commissioners Absent: None

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

Additions to Agenda

City Manager removed item #19 “Set special joint meeting of the City Commission, Planning Commission, Zoning Board of Appeals and Tax Increment Finance Authority/Downtown Development Authority for May 4, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. at Mt. Pleasant City Hall.”

Received the following petitions and communications:
1. Correspondence from American Legion Post 110 Commander Randy Robinson regarding the Mt. Pleasant Center.
2. Mt. Pleasant Downtown Development Board Minutes (February)
3. Mt. Pleasant Housing Commission Minutes (February)
4. Mt. Pleasant Parks and Recreation Commission Minutes (February)
5. Street/Motor Pool Activity Report (February)
6. City Manager’s annual report
7. Water Activity Report (March)

Moved by Vice Mayor Kilmer and supported by Commissioner McGuire to approve the following items on the Consent Calendar:
1. Minutes of the joint meeting of the City Commission and Planning Commission held March 23, 2009.
3. Bid of Peerless-Midwest, Inc. of Ionia, Michigan in the amount of $31,638.50 and not to exceed $38,156.50 for the 2009 Well 6 Rehabilitation Project.
4. Bid of Wonsey Tree Service of Alma, Michigan in the amount of $31,566.00 for tree trimming and removal services.
5. Amended Contract with MDOT Bureau of Aeronautics for Airport Terminal Building Expansion Grant and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the necessary documents.
6. Amended Agreement with the Charter Township of Union to provide fire protection and commercial fire inspection services and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the agreement.

Motion unanimously adopted.

A public hearing was held on the proposed text changes amending Chapter 72 of the Mt. Pleasant City Code by repealing Sections 72.35 through 72.40 and amending Section 72.41. There being no public comments or communications Mayor Holton closed the public hearing.

Moved by Commissioner Palmer and supported by Commissioner Tilmann that Ordinance No. 946, an ordinance to amend Chapter 72 of the Mt. Pleasant City Code by repealing Sections 72.35 through 72.40 and amending Section 72.41, having been introduced and read, now be passed, ordained and ordered published. Motion unanimously adopted.
A public hearing was held on proposed text changes to City Ordinance §50.10, “Authority, Costs, Notice to Remove Solid Waste”. There being no public comments or communications Mayor Holton closed the public hearing.

Moved by Commissioner Ling and supported by Commissioner McGuire that Ordinance 947, an ordinance to amend §50.10, “Authority, Costs, Notice to Remove Solid Waste” of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Mt. Pleasant having been introduced and read, now be passed, ordained and ordered published.

AYES: Commissioners Holton, Kilmer, Ling, McGuire and Tilmann
NAYS: Commissioners Joslin and Palmer
ABSENT: None
Motion carried.

A public hearing was held on proposed text changes to City Ordinance §96.05, “Noxious Weeds; Removal” subsections (B) and (E). There being no public comments or communications Mayor Holton closed the public hearing.

Moved by Commissioner McGuire and supported by Vice Mayor Kilmer that a second public hearing on proposed text changes to City Ordinance §96.05, “Noxious Weeds; Removal” be set for Monday, April 27, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Joslin and supported by Vice Mayor Kilmer to receive proposed 2010-2014 Capital Improvement Plan and set public hearing on same for May 26, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Vice Mayor Kilmer and supported by Commissioner Ling to postpone action on the proposed amendment of the One-Day Liquor License Policy until a work session on the topic has been conducted. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Joslin and supported by Vice Mayor Kilmer to set Special Meeting of the City Commission for Wednesday, April 22, 2009 from 5:00–9:00 p.m. at Cheers Neighborhood Grill and Bar.

AYES: Commissioners Joslin, Kilmer, Ling, McGuire, Palmer and Tilmann
NAYS: Commissioner Holton
ABSENT: None
Motion carried.

Announcements on City-Related Issues and Concerns

City Attorney Scott Smith introduced Nancy Mullett as a new attorney with the firm that may fill in for him at times.

Public Comment on Agenda and Non-Agenda Items

Rich Swindlehurst 106 Court St., spoke in favor of the amendment to the one-day liquor license policy.

The Commission recessed at 8:03 p.m. and went back into session at 8:08 p.m.

Work Session – Mini-Stimulus Part II

Based on the discussion, the City Manager summarized the general direction for implementing a budget amendment formally authorizing the projects, as well as options for the local preference purchasing amendment for these projects only which will be prepared for commission consideration at one of the next two commission meetings.

Mayor Holton adjourned the meeting at 8:47 p.m.
James Holton, Mayor

Jeremy Howard, City Clerk