

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held Monday, August 22, 2011, at 7:00 p.m., in the City Commission Room.

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

Commissioners Present: Vice Mayor Ling; Commissioners English, Holton, Joslin, Robinette and Tilmann

Commissioners Absent: Mayor Kilmer

Others Present: City Manager Grinzinger and City Clerk Howard

Proclamations and Presentations

Vice Mayor Ling presented a Proclamation in support of Americans with Disabilities Act to Matthew Ivan, Public Relations & Community Affairs Coordinator for Disabilities Network – Mid-Michigan.

Received the following petitions and communications:

1. Letters of support for OmBodies Yoga
2. Planning Commission Minutes (July)

Item #4 “Approval of the minutes of the special joint meeting held August 8, 2011.” was removed from the Consent Calendar.

Item #10a “Manhole Rehabilitation bid” was removed from the Consent Calendar.

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

1. Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held August 8, 2011.
2. Minutes of the closed session of the City Commission held August 8, 2011.
3. Contracts with Sun Guard Public Sector of Lake Mary, Florida in the amount of \$375,803 for development and implementation of a county-wide regional records management system and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign said contracts.
4. Payrolls dated 8/19/11 and warrants dated 8/19/11 all totaling \$1,002,613.48.

Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner English and supported by Commissioner Tilmann to correct the Minutes of the special joint meeting of the City Commission, Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals held August 8, 2011 as follows “There was general agreement that the outcome of the projects was very desirable. Several City Commissioners suggested that they were concerned about the process being followed and asked whether it was time to amend the Zoning Ordinance to better reflect the changing housing needs in that section of the City.” Motion unanimously adopted.

A public hearing was held on the conditional rezoning of the property located at 560-616 W. Pickard. Mathew Romashko, 555 North Main St, spoke on behalf of the developer in favor of the conditional rezoning of property. There being no other public comment or communications received, the Vice Mayor closed the public hearing.

Moved by Commissioner English and supported by Commissioner Tilmann to approve the conditional rezoning of property located at 560-616 W. Pickard St., and passed, ordained and ordered published Ordinance No. 968, an ordinance to amend the Zoning Map of Chapter 154 of the Zoning Ordinances of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Mt. Pleasant and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the agreement. Motion unanimously adopted.

A public hearing was held on the conditional rezoning of the property located at 210 W. Pickard.

Ashley Stevenson-Duffy, 110 E. Broadway, Ste. D; Mike Otterbine, 210 W. Pickard St; and Amy Tuma-Manson, 1525 Briarwood all spoke in favor of the conditional rezoning of the property.

There being no other public comment or communications received, the Vice Mayor closed the public hearing.

Moved by Commissioner Holton and supported by Commissioner English to approve the conditional rezoning of property located at 210 W. Pickard St., and passed, ordained and ordered published Ordinance No. 969, an ordinance to amend the Zoning Map of Chapter 154 of the Zoning Ordinances of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Mt. Pleasant and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the agreement. Motion unanimously adopted.

A public hearing was held on the Principal Shopping District Special Assessment District No. 1-12 to review the special assessment roll and to consider Resolution 5. Correspondence was received from James E. Johnson, Managing Member of Central Michigan Developers, LLC opposing the special assessment.

There being no public comment or additional communications received, the Vice Mayor closed the public hearing.

Moved by Commissioner Joslin and supported by Commissioner Tilmann to approve the following Special Assessment District 1-12 Resolution No. 5:

WHEREAS, the City Commission has met after due and legal notice and reviewed the special assessment roll to provide for funding for the Principal Shopping District, in the City, Special Assessment District No. 1-12;

WHEREAS, after hearing all persons interested therein and after carefully reviewing the special assessment roll, the City 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 \$186,300 per year for each year including 2012, 2013 and 2014, is hereby confirmed.

2. Said special assessment roll will be three annual installments, each of which will be billed semiannually. The billings will be on July 1 and December 1 of each year 2012 through 2014.

3. No interest will be charged on the unbilled balance of said special assessment roll.

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.

Moved by Commissioner Holton and supported by Commissioner English to approve the bid of Culy Construction and Excavating of Winchester, Indiana in the amount of \$64,329.00 for the 2011 Manhole Rehabilitation Project.

Discussion ensued.

Moved by Commissioner Joslin and supported by Commissioner Tilmann to amend the above motion to accept the bid of JRJ Construction, LLC of Grand Rapids, Michigan in the amount of \$64,850.00 for the 2011 Manhole Rehabilitation Project.

AYES: Commissioners Joslin, Robinette and Tilmann
NAYS: Commissioners English, Holton and Ling
ABSENT: Commissioner Kilmer
The motion to amend failed.

Original motion made by Commissioner Holton and supported by Commissioner English was then considered.

AYES: Commissioners English, Holton and Ling
NAYS: Commissioners Joslin, Robinette and Tilmann
ABSENT: Commissioner Kilmer
Motion failed.

Moved by Commissioner Holton and supported by Commissioner English to reconsider and approve the original motion to approve the bid of Culy Construction and Excavating of Winchester, Indiana in the amount of \$64,329.00 for the 2011 Manhole Rehabilitation Project.

AYES: Commissioners English, Holton, Ling and Robinette
NAYS: Commissioners Joslin and Tilmann
ABSENT: Commissioner Kilmer
Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner English and supported by Commissioner Holton to allow the Mt. Pleasant Economic Development Corporation to retain previously allocated funds from the Economic Development Fund to support business growth and redevelopment for an additional 12 months, subject to the same conditions as the original approval. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Robinette and supported by Commissioner Holton to set a public hearing for Monday, September 26, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. to consider rezoning the property located at 617-701 E. Pickard St. from I-1, Industrial to C-3, General Business. Motion unanimously adopted.

Announcements on City-Related Issues and Concerns

Commissioner Tilmann thanked public safety for their work over CMU welcome weekend. She also thanked city staff for help when she had a recent sewer backup at her house.

Commissioner Holton stated that he thinks the weed policy is cumbersome and would like to ask that the staff and commission look at the policy again for possible improvements. The rest of the commissioners agreed to look at the ordinance.

Vice Mayor Ling adjourned the meeting at 7:58 p.m. without objection.

Kathleen Ling, Vice Mayor

Jeremy Howard, City Clerk