Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held Monday, November 14, 2011, at 7:00 p.m., in the City Commission Room.

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

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

Commissioners Absent: Commissioner Joslin(excused)

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

Deputy Finance Director/Treasurer Mary Ann Korneli gave a presentation on Fund Balance Reporting.

Discussion ensued.

Mayor Kilmer presented a Neighborhood Mini Grant to the Southwest Association of Neighbors (SWAN) in the amount of $500.00.

Additions to Agenda

Item #18 “Consider changing time of November 28, 2011 work session” was added to the agenda.

Received the following petitions and communications:
1. Mt. Pleasant Zoning Board of Appeals Minutes (September)
2. Mt. Pleasant Parks and Recreation Commission Minutes (September)
3. Mt. Pleasant Housing Commission Minutes (September)

Moved by Commissioner English and supported by Commissioner Tilmann to approve the following items on the Consent Calendar:
1. Minutes of the work session of the City Commission held October 24, 2011.
2. Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held October 24, 2011.
3. Minutes of the work session of the City Commission held November 7, 2011.
4. Bid of Krapohl Ford of Mt. Pleasant, Michigan in the amount of $26,726 each for two marked patrol vehicles.
5. Bid of Remer Plumbing of Saginaw, Michigan in the amount of $69,900 for the purchase and installation of a dual fuel fired boiler for the Wastewater Treatment Plant.
6. Three-year contract with NGS to serve as a third party administrator for the City of Mt. Pleasant Employee Health Care Plan. The pricing structure will remain the same as 2010/2011.
7. Amend Resolution passed on August 8, 2011 for the Redevelopment Liquor License for Gingko Tree Inn as follows:
   That the request from the Gingko Tree Inn, LLC for a new Class C license be issued under MCL 436.1521a(1) and a Sunday Sales permit (PM), Outdoor Service (1 Area) and 1 additional Bar Permit for a total of 2 Bars to be located at 309 N. Main Street, in the City of Mt. Pleasant, 48858, Isabella County be considered for approval “above all others.”
8. MDOT Performance Resolution for Governmental Agencies and for designation of Street Administrator for the purpose of representing the City in transactions with the State Transportation Department. Department of Public Works Director Roger Rousse has agreed to serve as the primary contact for MDOT.
9. Fireworks Display Permit for November 18, 2011 to CMU for its final football game of the season.

Motion unanimously adopted.
Moved by Commissioner English and supported by Commissioner Robinette to approve selection of Spicer Group, AKT Peerless and CBRE as the Project Management Team for the Mt. Pleasant Center and authorize the City Manager and Finance Director to commence negotiations to produce a draft of a one-year contract. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Tilmann and supported by Commissioner Holton to approve the following Resolution in Support of a Memorandum of Agreement between the Gratiot County Brownfield Redevelopment Authority and the City of Mt. Pleasant to Create a Regional Brownfield Petroleum and Hazardous Substances Assessment Coalition as follows:

WHEREAS, the Gratiot County Brownfield Redevelopment Authority (GCBRA), administered by Greater Gratiot Development, Inc., is applying to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for a Brownfield Petroleum and Hazardous Substances Assessment Grant – Assessment Coalition; and

WHEREAS, the GCBRA is requesting the participation of the City of Mt. Pleasant via Middle Michigan Development Corporation (MMDC) to partner with the GCBRA as a coalition; and

WHEREAS, formation of a coalition will allow our region to apply for up to $1 million to inventory, prioritize and conduct Phase I and Phase II assessments of Brownfield sites in the above listed areas and, most importantly, develop reuse plans for the properties; and

WHEREAS, The City of Mt. Pleasant is desirous of entering into such a partnership which will provide important resources to the community and business members of the coalition; and

WHEREAS, the GCBRA will serve as the lead agency in the grant application with MMDC as the City of Mt. Pleasant’s liaison to GCBRA.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: that, as part of the application process and prior to the expenditure of funds, the MMDC Administrative Agency/Fiscal Officer is authorized to sign on behalf of the City of Mt. Pleasant, the EPA required Memorandum of Agreement, between the GCBRA and other coalition partners.

AYES: Commissioners English, Holton, Kilmer, Ling, Robinette and Tilmann
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Commissioner Joslin

Resolution adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Holton and supported by Commissioner English to approve the amended Fund Balance Policy as required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). (City Commission Exhibit 4-2011) Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Vice Mayor Ling and supported by Commissioner Holton to cancel the work session set for 6:00 p.m. November 28, 2011 and conduct a work session at the end of the regularly scheduled City Commission meeting to be held on Monday, November 28, 2011. Motion unanimously adopted.

Announcements on City-Related Issues and Concerns

Commissioner Tilmann announced that the Isabella County Council of Governments will be meeting on Wednesday, November 16, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. at the Coldwater Township Hall. She also thanked those in the public who came out to vote in
the election held Tuesday, November 8, 2011 and congratulated the three Commissioners who were re-elected.

Commissioner Holton would like to have staff look at Halloween trick-or-treat scheduling for next year with possibility of setting trick-or-treating on the last Saturday in October.

Mayor Kilmer announced that there are several openings on boards and commissions and encouraged public to look at website and consider volunteering.

Public Comment on Agenda and Non-Agenda Items

Jon Reusch, Sigma Alpha Epsilon President would like to see better communication and relationships in the future between the Commission and Greeks. He invites the Commission to sit down and discuss the issues further.

Mary Schneider with the Continuum of Care to Prevent Homelessness wanted to make the Commission and public aware of the local issues of homelessness in the County and let everyone know that November 12th – 20th is “Homeless Awareness Week”.

The Commission recessed at 7:41 p.m. and went into a work session at 7:53 p.m.

Work Session - Master Planning/Zoning Issues

Director of Planning and Community Development Jeff Gray gave a presentation on Master Planning/Zoning Issues.

Discussion ensued.

Mayor Kilmer adjourned the meeting at 9:13 p.m. without objection.

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Bruce Kilmer, Mayor

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Jeremy Howard, City Clerk