

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held Monday, April 13, 2015, at 7:02 p.m., in the City Commission Room.

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

Commissioners Present: Vice Mayor Rautanen; Commissioners Joslin, Kulick, Ling, Sous and Verleger

Commissioners Absent: Mayor Holton

Others Present: City Manager Ridley and City Clerk Howard

Proclamations and Presentations

Field Training Officer Brandon Bliss swore in newly hired police officer Joshua Theisen.

Kevin Daum, Isabella County Human Rights Committee representative, gave a presentation on The Study of Micro-Aggressions Against Native Americans in Isabella County.

Discussion ensued.

Additions to Agenda

Item #14 "Consider recommendation from the Property Committee to accept the assignment of the land contract from Mt. Pleasant Public Schools to Gratiot Isabella RESD for sites in Eastpointe IV" was removed from the agenda.

Public Input on Agenda Items

Trevis Moore, 203 N. Adams St., spoke regarding refuse and recycling pickup location and would like to see it changed back to allow for pick-up at his address on the street side.

Receipt of Petitions and Communications

Received the following petitions and communications:

1. Mt. Pleasant Parks and Recreation Commission Minutes (February)
2. Zoning Board of Appeals Minutes (February)
3. MML Capital Conference review by City Commissioner Tony Kulick.
4. Receipt of Middle Michigan Development Corporation (MMDC) 2014 Annual Report.
5. Receipt of Cultural and Recreational Commission of Isabella County (CRC) summary report.
6. Receipt of Cultural and Recreational Commission of Isabella County (CRC) 2014 Financial Audit and Annual Report.

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

1. Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held March 23, 2015.
2. Bid of M&M Pavement Marking of Grand Blanc, Michigan for the 2015 Pavement Markings project in the amount of \$26,512 which includes \$18,000 as budgeted for major and local streets and \$8,512 for the two-way conversion.
3. Bid of Continental Carbonic Products of Decatur, Illinois for the purchase of liquid carbon dioxide in the amount of \$150.00 per ton.

4. WHEREAS, the Traffic Engineer of the City of Mt. Pleasant requests that the City Commission issue traffic control order No. 3-2015 (install "No Parking Here to Corner" sign on the north side of Locust Street west of Main Street, to allow vehicles to turn off of Main Street even if traffic flow is obstructed by vehicles on Locust Street.) Said traffic control order was presented to the City Commission on April 13, 2015, 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. 3-2015 as a permanent traffic control order.
 5. WHEREAS, the Traffic Engineer of the City of Mt. Pleasant requests that the City Commission issue traffic control order No. 4-2015 (install "No Parking Here to Corner" sign on the south side of Locust Street east of Washington Street, to allow vehicles to turn off of Washington Street even if traffic flow is obstructed by vehicles on Locust Street.) Said traffic control order was presented to the City Commission on April 13, 2015, 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. 4-2015 as a permanent traffic control order.
 6. Receive 2016-2020 proposed Capital Improvement Plan and set a public hearing for May 26, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. on same.
 7. Approved sidewalk licenses for Pleasant City Coffee and Max & Emily's.
 8. Approved extension of the Interlocal Agreement for the Cultural and Recreational Commission of Isabella County (CRC) for 30 years and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign the amendment. In addition, this authorization allows the Mayor and City Manager to negotiate the number of appointed board members if the participating agencies are four or less.
 9. Set a special meeting for Tuesday, May 12, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at Mt. Pleasant City Hall between the City Commission and the Charter Township of Union Board of Trustees to discuss mosquito control programs.
 10. Payrolls dated March 27 and April 3, 2015 and warrants dated March 25 and April 1 and 2, 2015 all totaling \$606,497.93.
- Motion unanimously adopted.

A public hearing was held on the proposed Brownfield Plan for property located at 715 Edgewood Street. There being no public comments or communications, the Vice Mayor closed the public hearing.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Commissioner Joslin to approve the following resolution approving the Brownfield Plan for 715 Edgewood and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the reimbursement agreement.

WHEREAS, the Mt. Pleasant City Commission established a Brownfield Redevelopment Authority (the Authority) by adoption of a resolution on May 13, 1997, pursuant to the Brownfield Redevelopment Financing Act, Michigan Public Act 391, of 1996, as amended (the Act), and

WHEREAS, the Authority acted on March 5, 2015 to recommend that the City Commission approve an amendment to the Brownfield Plan for the property located at 715 Edgewood Dr. (Site #16), which complies with the provisions of the Act, and

WHEREAS, proper notice of a public hearing has been provided in accordance with the terms of the Act, and

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds that Brownfield Plan Amendment constitutes a public purpose; the financing of the eligible activities will be the responsibility of the applicant, with costs reimbursed from tax capture by the Authority; the costs associated with the eligible activities are reasonable and necessary to carry out the purposes of the Act; and the amount of captured taxable value is reasonable,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mt. Pleasant City Commission does hereby approve the Brownfield Plan Amendment for Site #16 located at 715 Edgewood Dr.

Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Commissioner Joslin to approve the award of the pedestrian street lighting contract to J. Ranck Electric, Inc. of Mt. Pleasant, Michigan at an estimated project cost of \$105,000 to install lighting on the west side of Washington Street from High St. to Illinois St. and to install electrical service up to Michigan St. but would not install light poles between Illinois St. and Michigan St. as well as approved a budget amendment for the project in the amount of \$15,000. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Commissioner Sous to approve the Residential Trash and Recycling Pickup Exception Policy as presented with the addition of requiring a May, 2016 report on the policy.

Moved by Commissioner Sous and supported by Commissioner Ling to amend the above motion to approve the Residential Trash and Recycling Pickup Exception Policy adding further exceptions for individual home owners.

Moved by Commissioner Ling and supported by Vice Mayor Rautanen to postpone action on the Residential Trash and Recycling Pickup Exception Policy until the April 27, 2015 City Commission meeting to have staff do further review and revisions to the policy.

AYES: Commissioners Kulick, Ling, Rautanen, Sous and Verleger
NAYS: Commissioner Joslin
ABSENT: Commissioner Holton
Motion carried.

Announcements on City-Related Issues and Concerns

Commissioner Sous suggested that discussions regarding the possibility of a JC Penny and Target parking lot connector take place during the special meeting with Union Township Board members.

Commissioner Kulick reminded citizens that spring is here and yard waste cannot be raked into the streets, it must be bagged and taken to the recycling center.

Public Comment on Agenda and Non-Agenda Items

Mary Ann Renz, 906 Elizabeth Court, announced that a Mt. Pleasant Renewable Energy Forum & Fair will take place on Saturday, April 25 from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Engineering and Technology Building on CMU's campus.

Trevis Moore, 203 N. Adams St. commented that his trash/recycling issue was not created by him, it was there when he bought the house.

Bill Mayhew, MDOT, spoke in regards to concerns with some of the comments made by Commissioners at the March 23, 2015 City Commission meeting regarding street lights at Mission and Broadway Streets.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Commissioner Sous to adjourn the meeting at 8:22 p.m. Motion unanimously adopted.

Rick Rautanen, Vice Mayor

Jeremy Howard, City Clerk