Minutes of the special meeting of the City Commission held Monday, October 24, 2016, at 5:30 p.m., at City of Mt. Pleasant City Hall, 320 W. Broadway St.

Commissioners Present: Mayor Ling and Vice Mayor Lents; Commissioners Gillis, Holton, Kulick, Madaj and Verleger

Commissioners Absent: None

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

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Commissioner Holton to conduct a closed session pursuant to subsection 8(h) of the Open Meetings Act for material exempt from discussion or disclosure by state or federal statute.

AYES: Commissioners Gillis, Holton, Kulick, Lents, Ling, Madaj and Verleger
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
Motion unanimously adopted.

The Commission went into a closed session at 5:32 p.m. A separate set of minutes was taken for the closed session. The Commission went back into open session at 6:47 p.m.

The commission recessed at 6:48 p.m. and went into the regular meeting of the City Commission at 7:00 p.m., in the City Commission Room.

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

Commissioners Present: Mayor Ling and Vice Mayor Lents; Commissioners Gillis, Holton, Kulick, Madaj and Verleger

Commissioners Absent: None

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

Proclamations and Presentations

Isabella County Emergency Management Director, Marc Griffis, gave a presentation regarding the proposed 9-1-1 surcharge that will be on the upcoming November ballot as a proposal.

Discussion ensued.

Student group that traveled to Okaya, Japan in 2016 gave a presentation on their trip and what they learned from the experience.

Chuck Mullins of APM Mosquito Control gave a presentation on the 2016 mosquito monitoring results and presented the reports to the Commission.

Discussion ensued.

Public Input on Agenda Items

Bob Banta, 1011 S. Arnold; Karen Breedlove, 624 S. Fancher; Helen Lee, 1651 Chippewa Way and Holly Hoffman, 1831 Woodland Dr., spoke in support of the proposed 9-1-1 surcharge that will be on the upcoming November ballot.

Receipt of Petitions and Communications

Received the following petitions and communications:
1. City Manager report on pending items;
   a. Research on Downtown Boards.
2. Third Quarter Investment Report.
4. Resignation of Rick McGuirk from the City/CMU Student Liaison Committee.
5. Notice of Temporary Traffic Control Order #7-2016.
6. Airport Advisory Board Minutes. (September)
7. Planning Commission Minutes. (September)
8. Report from APM Mosquito Control.

Item #15: “Consider Resolution in support of new name for Michigan Local Government Management Association (MLGMA) and its mission.” was added to the Consent Calendar.

Item #13a. Bids and Quotations: “Great Lakes Restoration Initiative (GLRI) River Corridor Improvements-Tree Cutting.” was removed from the Consent Calendar.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Commissioner Gillis to approve the following items on the Consent Calendar:
1. Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held October 10, 2016.
2. Bid of Fisher Transportation of Mt. Pleasant, Michigan in the amount of $19,009 for the purchase of sand and crushed concrete for improvements to DPW drive.
4. Receive proposed ordinance to amend CHAPTER 51: SEWERS, Section 51.126 Sanitary Sewer Board of Appeals of the Code of Ordinances for the City of Mt. Pleasant to adopt numbering corrections to that section and set a public hearing for Monday, November 14, 2016 on same.
5. Resolution in support of new name for Michigan Local Government Management Association (MLGMA) and its mission as follows:

   WHEREAS, the Michigan Local Government Management Association (MLGMA) is the state affiliate of the International City/County Management Association (ICMA), and

   WHEREAS, the Board of Directors and Membership of the MLGMA have conducted a vast overhaul to create a new branding image under the new name Michigan Municipal Executives, and

   WHEREAS, the mission statement of the Michigan Municipal Executives is, “Michigan’s Municipal Executives are dedicated to keeping communities running smoothly. By doing all of the things large and small, we are stewards of our cities, working in the background to make sure your home is highly livable, highly desirable, and built on solid ground for the future. We make Michigan’s cities go.”, and

   WHEREAS, Michigan Municipal Executives seek to support optimistic, humble, adaptable, and driven municipal executives through professional development and other resources, and

   WHEREAS, your local government manager or administrator, acting in his/her role as the Chief Administrative Officer of the community, does so in the best interest of the overall community to create the highest quality of life for all of its citizens, and

   WHEREAS, the Mt. Pleasant City Commission and the City of Mt. Pleasant do hereby support the Michigan Municipal Executives in their efforts to develop the municipal executive career and support municipal executives throughout the state.

   THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mt. Pleasant City Commission does hereby recognize Michigan Municipal Executives and supports the organization for the professional development and extraordinary services provided to professional managers throughout the State of Michigan.

6. Payroll dated October 7, 2016 and warrants dated October 5, 6, 12 and 13, 2016 all totaling $895,164.70
Motion unanimously adopted.
Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Commissioner Gillis to award the contract for Great Lakes Restoration Initiative (GLRI) River Corridor Improvements - Tree Cutting to Wonsey Tree Service of Alma, Michigan at a not-to-exceed cost of $17,700 and approve the appropriate budget amendment. Motion unanimously adopted.

Announcements on City-Related Issues and New Business

Commissioner Kulick announced the Pumpkin Promenade will take place Monday, October 31 from 4pm – 6pm and that trick-or-treating will be on Monday, October 31 from 6pm – 8pm.

Commissioner Gillis announced that there are vacancies on boards and commissions and encouraged residents to apply.

Public Comment on Agenda and Non-Agenda Items

Mike Lumetta, Michigan Cannabis Development Association, spoke in support of the recently passed Michigan Medical Marijuana Facilities Licensing Act.

Mayor Ling adjourned the meeting at 7:56 p.m. without objection.

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Kathleen Ling, Mayor    Jeremy Howard, City Clerk