Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held Monday, July 25, 2016, 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, Madaj and Verleger

Commissioners Absent: Commissioner Kulick

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

Proclamations and Presentations

Mayor Ling presented the ceremonial $500 Neighborhood Mini Grant check to Westside Beautification Committee.

Taylor Idema gave a presentation on a proposed community amphitheater project.

Discussion ensued.

Public Input On Agenda Items

Alan Johns, 1835 S. Nottawa, spoke in favor of the proposed Ordinance for Chase Run Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT).

Receipt of Petitions and Communications

Received the following petitions and communications:
1. City Manager report on pending items.
3. Airport Advisory Board Minutes (June).
4. Parks and Recreation Commission Minutes (June)

Moved by Commissioner Madaj and supported by Vice Mayor Lents to approve the following items on the Consent Calendar:
1. Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held July 11, 2016.
2. Resolution approving Traffic Control Order 4-2016 as follows:
   WHEREAS, under the date of April 21, 2016, the Traffic Engineer of the City of Mt. Pleasant issued temporary traffic control order No. 4-2016 (install a “yield sign” on westbound Industrial Drive at the Fancher Street Intersection). Said temporary traffic control order was presented to the City Commission on July 25, 2016, for review and after reviewing said temporary control order and being fully advised in the premises,
   BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Commission approves making temporary traffic control order No. 4-2016 a permanent traffic control order.
3. Resolution regarding the Beckett Drain and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign the Beckett Drain and Drainage Relinquishment Agreement and appropriate documents to transfer ownership of a portion of the drain to CMU.
   WHEREAS, the Beckett Drain (“Drain”) is a county drain and the Beckett Drain Drainage District (“Drainage District”) is a drainage district, both of which are duly established under the Michigan Drain Code, MCL 280.1, et seq. (“Drain Code”), located entirely within the City of Mt. Pleasant, and having no outstanding indebtedness or contractual liability; and
   WHEREAS, the City of Mt. Pleasant wishes to obtain jurisdiction and control of the Drain and Drainage District; and
   WHEREAS, the City has been advised and recognizes that, as provided for by the Drain Code, upon relinquishment of the Drain and Drainage District to the City, the City will assume all jurisdiction and control of the Drain and Drainage District and be responsible for their maintenance and operation and all costs attendant thereto; and