Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held Monday, September 26, 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, Kulick and Madaj

Commissioners Absent: Commissioner Verleger

Others Present: City Clerk Howard

Proclamations and Presentations

Mayor Ling read and presented a proclamation in support of “Constitution Week - September 17-23, 2016” to Jane Butcher with the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe Environmental Manager, Carey Paquette, gave a presentation regarding Chippewa River testing.

Discussion ensued.

Isabella County Emergency Management Director, Marc Griffis, gave a presentation regarding the proposed 911 surcharge that will be on the upcoming November ballot as a proposal.

Discussion ensued.

Receipt of Petitions and Communications

Received the following petitions and communications:
1. City Manager report on pending items.
2. Correspondence from City resident Lynn Simons in regard to police enforcement during Welcome Weekend.
3. Correspondence from Matt Biolette of Republic Services in regard to limiting hours for solid waste pickup.
4. Resignation of Char Young from the Principal Shopping District Board (DDB)
6. Airport Advisory Board Minutes. (August)

Moved by Commissioner Gillis and supported by Commissioner Kulick to approve the following items on the Consent Calendar:
1. Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held September 12, 2016.
2. Bid of GP Designs of Marion, Indiana, in the amount of $27,200 for the purchase of 160 48” wreaths.
3. Authorized the Mayor and Clerk to sign the amended contract with MMI for curbside collection pickup adding the additional locations at an increase of $145 per month for a total of $6,280 per month.
4. Receive recommended amendments to Sections 152.004 and 152.007 of the Mt. Pleasant City Code of Ordinances regarding reference to latest edition of Property Management Code and set public hearing for Monday, October 10, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. on same.
5. Receive a proposed Ordinance to amend Sections 130.01, 131.10, 132.03 and 132.04 of the Mt. Pleasant City Code of Ordinances and to repeal Section 130.99 to clarify and eliminate redundant maximum-penalty provisions for various offenses and set public hearing for Monday, October 10, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. on same.
6. Payroll dated September 9, 2016 and warrants dated September 7, 14 and 15, 2016 all totaling $895,714.40

Motion unanimously adopted.
A public hearing was held on Special Assessment District 6-2016 to consider Resolution No. 5 for approval of the roll and setting of payment terms for Special Assessment. There being no public comments or communications, the Mayor closed the public hearing.

Moved by Commissioner Holton and supported by Commissioner Kulick to approve the adoption of the following Resolution No. 5 for approval of the roll and setting of payment terms for Special Assessment.

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT 6-2016
RESOLUTION NO. 5

WHEREAS, the City Commission has met after due and legal notice and reviewed the special assessment roll to defray Special Assessment District No. 6-2016 share of the cost of certain public expenditures, described as: overlay the alley in the block between Pleasant on the west, Douglas on the east, May on the south and dead-end at High on the north in the City Special Assessment District No. 6-2016.

WHEREAS, after hearing all persons interested therein and after carefully reviewing the special assessment roll, the 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 $3,000 with $2,700 being paid by the properties specially benefited and with $300 paid by the city-at-large is hereby confirmed.

2. Said special assessment roll is payable in two (2) annual installments which shall be due and payable on July 1, 2018 and July 1, 2019.

3. Interest shall be charged on the unpaid balance of said special assessment roll at the rate of three percent (3%), commencing three (3) months after notification that the project has been completed. There will be no interest if paid within three months of the written notification from the City Treasurer.

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 City Assessor to spread and the City 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.

Motion unanimously adopted.

Received Commissioners’ top rankings for Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe two percent allocations. The City Manager will forward the rankings to the Tribe.

Moved by Vice Mayor Lents and supported by Commissioner Kulick to approve a resolution recognizing Community Compassion Network as a non-profit organization for the purpose of obtaining a charitable gaming license. Motion unanimously adopted.

Announcements on City-Related Issues and New Business

Commissioner Kulick reminded the community of the upcoming CMU/Western Michigan and Homecoming Football games and festivities and reminds everyone to be responsible and follow the expectations that have been set.
Commissioner Gillis invited the public to access and enjoy the recently opened Indian Pines Park entrance.

Mayor Ling announced that the City/CMU Liaison Committee will be meeting on September 29 and will be continuing to review issues that concern both groups.

Vice Mayor Lents announced that Timbertown 2.0 crowd source funding website is now available online and she encourages the public to donate to this cause.

Public Comment on Agenda and Non-Agenda Items

Josh Geary, 500 Ojibway Court, SGA Student Liaison to the City Commission, announced that he is looking forward to the City/CMU Liaison meeting and continuing to develop the relationship between the City and CMU students.

WORK SESSION

2017 Operating Budget

Assistant Finance Director Chris Saladine gave a presentation on the 2017 Operating Budget.

Discussion ensued.

The Commission recessed at 8:10 p.m. and went into a work session at 8:17 p.m.

Solid Waste Pickup Hours

Discussion ensued.

Staff will do further research on possible options and report back to the Commission.

Mayor Ling adjourned the meeting at 9:02 p.m. without objection.

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Kathleen Ling, Mayor    Jeremy Howard, City Clerk