

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held Monday, April 9, 2018, at 7:00 p.m., in the City Commission Room.

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

Commissioners Present: Mayor Lents and Vice Mayor Madaj; Commissioners Gillis, Joseph, Kulick, LaLonde and Ling

Commissioners Absent: None

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

Proclamations and Presentations

Mayor Lents read and presented a proclamation recognizing the Central Michigan University Women's Basketball Team for their accomplishments during the 2017-2018 season.

Receipt of Petitions and Communications

Received the following petitions and communications:

1. City Manager report on pending items:
 - a. Report on burning ordinance;
 - b. Assessing ECF Neighborhoods; and
 - c. 2019 Goal Priorities.
2. Correspondence from Larry Burdick, 401 S. Fancher St., in opposition to Special Assessment #1-18.
3. Receipt of annual Industrial Facilities Tax (IFT) Abatement Report from Middle Michigan Development Corporation (MMDC).
4. Receipt of communication from City Clerk Howard and City Planner Kain regarding online location of the Zoning Ordinance.
5. Receipt of 2017 Annual Report.
6. Letter at dais from Kay Ashworth, 109 Heidi Ct., thanking City Commission for sidewalk lighting on West Broadway St.

Removed Item 8. e. Bids and Quotations – "Engineering Consulting Services for Joint Water Systems Study" 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 March 26, 2018.
2. Bid of Green Scene Landscaping of Mt. Pleasant, Michigan for 2018 grounds mowing in the amount of \$250 per week for the boulevards, islands, and drain area and \$360 per week for the Mt. Pleasant Center Property.
3. Bid of Countyline Power LLC of Hope, Michigan in the amount of \$96,658 for the 2018 Pedestrian Lighting Project.
4. Bid of Insight Pipe Contracting, LLC of Harmony, Pennsylvania for sewer relinings in an amount not-to-exceed \$150,000.

5. Bid of Archon Construction Co., Inc. of Addison, Illinois for the 2018 Manhole Rehabilitation Project in an amount not-to-exceed \$100,000.
6. Receive 2019-2023 proposed Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) and set a public hearing for Tuesday, May, 29, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. on same.
7. Revoke the 1976 Special Assessment Practice and Procedure Policy, the 1985 Tobacco Use Policy and the 2010 Revolving Loan Fund Policy.
8. Warrants dated March 20 & 27, 2018 and Payrolls dated March 23, 2018 all totaling \$601,149.06.

Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Commissioner Joseph to authorize a contract with Fishbeck, Thompson, Carr & Huber, Inc. of Grand Rapids, Michigan for engineering consulting services for joint water systems study at a not-to-exceed cost of \$43,575 and appropriate budget amendment, contingent upon approval by the Charter Township of Union Board of Trustees. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Ling and supported by Commissioner Kulick to approve the Residential Alley Paving, Reconstruction and Resurfacing Policy as presented. (CC Exh. 3-2018) Motion unanimously adopted.

Commissioner Kulick recused himself from discussion and motion on special assessment to remove any appearance of a conflict of interest.

The following Resolution No. 5 for Special Assessment District No. 1-18 was offered by Commissioner Gillis and supported by Vice Mayor Madaj as follows:

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT 1-18
RESOLUTION NO. 5

WHEREAS, the City Commission held a public hearing on March 26, 2018 after due and legal notice and reviewed the special assessment roll to defray Special Assessment District No. 1-18 share of the cost of certain public expenditures, described as: reconstruct the alley in the block between Fancher on the west, Kinney on the east, Locust on the south and Wisconsin on the north in the City Special Assessment District No. 1-18;

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;

WHEREAS, after the public hearing the City Commission deemed it worthwhile to increase the city-at-large contribution to 30% of the cost and a revised lower assessment roll was prepared;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. Said revised special assessment roll as prepared by the City Assessor, in the amount of \$57,000 with \$39,900 being paid by the properties specially benefited and with \$17,100 paid by the city-at-large is hereby confirmed.
2. Said special assessment roll is payable in six (6) annual installments which shall be due and payable on July 1, 2019 - July 1, 2024.

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 (3) 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.

AYES: Commissioners Gillis, Joseph, LaLonde, Lents, Ling and Madaj

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAINED: Commissioner Kulick

Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Vice Mayor Madaj to enter into closed session pursuant to Section 8(h) of the Open Meetings Act for material exempt from discussion or disclosure by state or federal statute.

AYES: Joseph, Kulick, LaLonde, Lents, Ling and Madaj

NAYS: Commissioner Gillis

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

Announcements on City-Related Issues and New Business

Commissioner Kulick would like to add to the next agenda a discussion of the possibility of starting City Commission meetings at 6:00 p.m. from Memorial Day to Labor Day.

Commissioner Gillis announced that MP City Link is available for public and thanked Code Enforcement for their quick response on issues reported. She thanked the William Strickler family for their donation and other non-profits for the work on opening the new non-profit center.

The Commission recessed at 7:33 p.m. and went into closed session at 7:42 p.m. Closed session ended at 8:39 p.m. A separate set of minutes was taken for the closed session.

Mayor Lents adjourned the meeting at 8:39 p.m. without objection.