

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held Monday, January 21, 2008, at 7:00 p.m., in the City Commission Room.

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

Commissioners Present: Mayor Joslin and Vice Mayor Holton; Commissioners Kilmer, Ling, McGuire, Palmer and Spycher

Commissioners Absent: None

Others Present: City Manager Grinzinger, Deputy City Clerk Ridley and City Attorney Romashko

Received the following petitions and communications:

1. Planning Commission correspondence regarding modifications to the Zoning Map; Class I Restaurants, Bars, Taverns and Night Clubs; and Tattoo Studios in the C-2 District.
2. Building Safety and Code Enforcement (2007 Annual Report)
3. Charter Township of Union Board of Trustees Minutes (December)
4. Charter Township of Union Planning Commission Minutes (December)
5. Isabella County Community Collaborative Minutes (December)
6. Planning Commission Minutes (December)
7. Street Department and Motor Pool (December)
8. Wastewater Treatment Department (November, December)

Vice Mayor Holton removed item #11 from the Consent Calendar.

**Moved by Commissioner McGuire and supported by Commissioner Ling to approve the following items on the Consent Calendar:**

1. Minutes of the regular meeting held January 7, 2008.
2. Payrolls dated 01/04/08 and 01/11/08, check numbers 065272-065503 and warrants dated 01/10/08 and 01/17/08, check numbers 060253-060630, all totaling \$2,046,095.86.

**Motion unanimously adopted.**

A public hearing was held on proposed amendment to §30.04 Agenda of Title III: Administration, Chapter 30 Commission of the Code of Ordinances. There being no public comments or communications received, the Mayor closed the hearing.

Moved by Commissioner Kilmer and supported by Vice Mayor Holton that the proposed amendment to §30.04 Agenda of Title III: Administration, Chapter 30 Commission of the Code of Ordinances now be passed, ordained and ordered published. Discussion ensued.

Moved by Commissioner Ling and supported by Commissioner Spycher to postpone action on the proposed amendment to §30.04 Agenda of Title III: Administration, Chapter 30 Commission of the Code of Ordinances until February 25, 2008. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner McGuire and supported by Vice Mayor Holton to accept the bid of Coleman Electric, Inc of Coleman, Michigan in the amount of \$87,340 for the placement and testing of a 450KW Generator and Transfer Switch that will service the Borden Building during times of power outages. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Vice Mayor Holton and supported by Commissioner Spycher to set a special meeting for Wednesday, February 13, 2008 at 9:00 a.m. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Vice Mayor Holton and supported by Commissioner Palmer to approve Sacred Heart Parish request for one-day liquor licenses on February 1 and 2, 2008. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Palmer and supported by Commissioner Kilmer to receive recommendation from Planning Commission regarding proposed text changes to the Zoning Ordinance to allow merchandise sales on downtown sidewalks, and set public hearing on same for February 25, 2008. Motion unanimously adopted.

Commissioner Spycher read the following recommendations from the Appointments Committee for appointments to boards and commissions:

	<u>Term To Expire</u>
<b><u>Airport Advisory Board</u></b>	
Joseph Rivard, 1224 Buckingham Place	January 31, 2011
Mike Verleger, 402 S. Fancher	January 31, 2011
<b><u>Building, Fire &amp; Sanitary Sewer Board of Appeals</u></b>	
Joe Olivieri, 1426 Orchard Lane	January 31, 2011
George Tolas, 405 West Grand	January 31, 2011
<b><u>Chippewa River District Library Board of Trustees</u></b>	
Thomas Delia, 409 N. Bradley	December 31, 2011
<b><u>Historic District Commission</u></b>	
Mary Ellen Brandell, 619 Chippewa	January 31, 2011
Anne M. Swift, 1015 Andre #A	January 31, 2011
<b><u>Isabella County Transportation Commission</u></b>	
Sam Staples, 300 Russell, #15	December 31, 2010
<b><u>Parks and Recreation Commission</u></b>	
Robert Roberts, 1617 E. Gaylord, Unit C	January 31, 2011
Christine Roberts, 200 E. Bennett	January 31, 2011
<b><u>Planning Commission</u></b>	
Minde Lux, 503 E. Broadway	January 31, 2011
Tim Brockman, 1117 Wendrow Way	January 31, 2011
Jeffrey W. Smith, 510 E. Andre	January 31, 2011
<b><u>Zoning Board of Appeals</u></b>	
Chris Benison, 601 S. University (from Alternate to Regular)	January 31, 2011
Erik Robinette, 1658 Abbey	January 31, 2011
Jack White III, 1325 Highland (Alternate)	January 31, 2011

Moved by Commissioner Spycher and supported by Vice Mayor Holton to approve the Appointments Committee's recommendations as presented. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Vice Mayor Holton and supported by Commissioner Palmer to approve Taxicab License Application of Wise Ride for year ending December 31, 2008. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Spycher and supported by Vice Mayor Holton to approve closed session to discuss pending litigation.

AYES: Commissioners Holton, Joslin, Kilmer, Ling, McGuire, Palmer and Spycher  
 NAYS: None  
 ABSENT: None  
 Motion carried.

Announcements on City-Related Issues and Concerns

Commissioner Ling commented on various committee meetings she attended.

Public Comment on Agenda and Non-Agenda Items

Laura Gonzales, 1206 E. High St. spoke regarding the Diversity Council and recommendations for a non-discrimination ordinance and a human rights commission.

Sister Meg Majewski, 2895 Greystone Ln spoke regarding a diversity day to honor people of color.

Jim Moreno, 1015 Andre spoke regarding diversity group and Martin Luther King Day.

The Commission recessed at 7:38 p.m.

The City Commission went into closed session at 7:45 p.m. and back into regular session at 9:19 p.m. A separate set of minutes was taken for the closed session.

Moved by Vice Mayor Holton and supported by Commissioner Kilmer that the meeting adjourn at 9:19 p.m.

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Jon Joslin, Mayor

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Nancy Ridley, Deputy City Clerk