

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held Monday, August 9, 2010 at 7:03 p.m. in the City Commission Room.

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

Commissioners Present: Mayor Holton (8:12) and Vice Mayor Kilmer;
Commissioners Ling, McGuire and Tilmann

Commissioners Absent: Commissioners English and Joslin

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

Public Input on Agenda Items

Edward Fisher, 1344 Highland St., spoke in favor of keeping "No Parking" signs up (TCO #7-2010).

Received the following petitions and communications:

1. Capital Projects Status Report (July)
2. E-mail correspondence from Mr. Mark Freeze regarding Traffic Control Order request
3. Mt. Pleasant Housing Commission Minutes (June)

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

1. Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held July 26, 2010.
2. Bid of Godwin Pumps of America of Bridgeport, New Jersey in the amount of \$15,264.00 for the purchase of a trailer-mounted diesel powered Portable Generator.
3. Bid of Central Michigan Asphalt in the amount of \$254,110 for the 2010 Street Mill and Overlay Project.
4. Payrolls dated 8/3/10 and 8/6/10 and warrants dated 8/5/10 all totaling \$760,851.21.

Motion unanimously adopted.

A public hearing was held on the request from CME, LLC for an Industrial Facilities Tax Abatement Certificate.

CME, LLC representatives David Stevens, Mike Goin and KC Kumler spoke of current initiatives, goals and challenges of CME and asked the Commission to support and approve the Industrial Facilities Tax Abatement Certificate. MMDC President and CEO, Brian Anderson, spoke in favor of the Industrial Facilities Tax Abatement Certificate.

There being no additional comments or communications the Vice Mayor closed the public hearing.

Moved by Commissioner Ling and supported by Commissioner Tilmann to approve the following Resolution Approving Application of CME Corporation For Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate For A New Facility.

WHEREAS, pursuant to P.A. 198 of 1974, M.C.L. 207.551 et seq., after a duly noticed public hearing held on June 3, 1985, the City Commission by resolution established the University Park Industrial Development District; and

WHEREAS, CME LLC has filed an application for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate with respect to a new facility to be acquired and installed within the University Park Industrial Development District in the amount of \$4,200,000 of which \$4,000,000 is personal property and \$200,000 is real property; and

WHEREAS, before acting on said application, the City Commission held a hearing on August 9, 2010, at Mt Pleasant City Hall, in the City Commission Chambers, at 7:00 pm,

at which hearing the applicant, the Assessor and a representative of the affected taxing units were given written notice and were afforded an opportunity to be heard on said application; and

WHEREAS, construction of the facility and installation of new machinery and equipment had not begun earlier than six (6) months before June 23, 2010, the date of acceptance of the application for the Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate; and

WHEREAS, completion of the facility is calculated to and will at the time of issuance of the certificate have the reasonable likelihood to retain, create or prevent the loss of employment in the City of Mount Pleasant; and

WHEREAS, the aggregate SEV of real and personal property exempt from ad valorem taxes within the City of Mount Pleasant, after granting this certificate, will not exceed 5% of an amount equal to the sum of the SEV of the unit, plus the SEV of personal and real property thus exempted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY the City Commission of the City of Mount Pleasant that:

1. The City Commission finds and determines that the granting of the Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate considered together with the aggregate amount of certificates previously granted and currently in force under Act No. 198 of the Public Acts of 1974 and Act No. 255 of the Public Acts of 1978, shall not have the effect of substantially impeding the operation of the City of Mount Pleasant or impairing the financial soundness of a taxing unit which levies ad Valorem property taxes in the City of Mount Pleasant
2. The application from CME LLC for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate, with respect to a New Facility on the following described parcel of real property situated within the University Park Industrial Development District, to wit:

PART OF SE 1/4 SEC 27, T14N, R4W, COM AT SE COR SEC 27, TH S 88D58M 47S W 85 FT, TH N 50 FT TO POB, TH W 114.50 FT, TH S 17 FT, TH W 1252.65 FT, TH N 500 FT, TH N 10D03M00S W 284.58 FT TH N 52D36M 55S E 595.21 FT, TH S 64D00M43S E 1071.35 FT, TH S 03D14M00S W 282 FT TH S 316.22 FT TO POB, EXC LOT 13 OF MEADS LITTLE ACRES SUBD NO. 1.

be and the same is hereby approved.

3. The Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate when issued shall be and remain in force for a period of 12 years.

Resolution unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner McGuire and supported by Commissioner Ling take no action on TCO #7-2010 but request that the Public Safety Director review all data collected to determine what temporary order should be put in place for 90 days. Motion unanimously adopted.

The Commission requested the Traffic Control Board/Parking Committee to look at "No Parking" issues in this area and others.

Moved by Commissioner Ling and supported by Vice Mayor Kilmer to postpone action on potential policy on waiving property tax penalty or fees until staff can bring back procedure for waiving property tax penalty or fees.

AYES: None

NAYS: Commissioners Kilmer, Ling, McGuire and Tilmann

ABSENT: Commissioners English, Holton and Joslin

Motion failed.

Moved by Commissioner Ling and supported by Commissioner Tilmann that staff implement a form or procedure regarding Tax Penalty and Fee Waiver requests (including

reasons for the request from the taxpayer and staff's background information on collection efforts) instead of the Commission approving a policy related to such requests. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Tilmann and supported by Commissioner McGuire to adjust the fee structure for parking meters by raising the per hour charge from \$.25 per hour to \$.50 per hour effective prior to the beginning of the fall semester. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner ling and supported by Commissioner Tilmann to enter into closed session pursuant to subsection 8(d) of the Open Meetings Act to discuss the possible purchase or lease of real property.

AYES: Commissioners Holton, Kilmer, Ling, McGuire and Tilmann

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioners English and Joslin

Motion unanimously adopted.

Announcements on City Related Issues and Concerns

Commissioner Tilmann announced the Isabella County Council of Governments picnic will be held at the Isabella Township Park on August 18th at 6:00 p.m.

Commissioner McGuire announced walking event to provide funding for Meals On Wheels and asked for support. For more information contact the Commission on Aging.

Public Comment on Agenda and Non-Agenda Items

The City Commission recessed at 8:15 p.m. and entered into closed session at 8:23 p.m. The Commission went back into regular session at 8:33 p.m. A separate set of minutes was taken for the closed session.

The meeting adjourned without objection at 8:34 p.m.

Bruce Kilmer, Vice Mayor

Jeremy Howard, City Clerk