

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held Monday, March 8, 2010, at 7:00 p.m., in the City Commission Room.

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

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

Commissioners Absent: Commissioner Joslin

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

### Proclamations and Presentations

Brian Anderson, President/CEO of MMDC introduced himself and spoke on the direction that he would like to see MMDC go in.

Received the following petitions and communications:

1. Building Safety Annual Report
2. Capital Projects Status Report (February)
3. Communication from Director Nancy Ridley regarding State Purchasing Contract pilot program
4. Mt. Pleasant Parks and Recreation Commission Minutes (January)
5. Planning Commission Annual Report

Mayor Holton asked for an update on status of rehabilitation of Oak Street Bridge. Director Ellis gave an update of where the project currently is.

Commissioner Ling asked that the Commission be informed when the Oak Street Bridge rehabilitation project begins. She also verified that the Campus to Downtown Connection Project will be brought back to the Commission before bidding.

Moved by Commissioner Ling and supported by Vice Mayor Kilmer to approve the following items on the Consent Calendar:

1. Minutes of Work Session held February 18, 2010.
2. Minutes of the regular meeting held February 22, 2010.
3. Bid of Harrington Industrial Plastics of Grand Rapids, Michigan in the amount of \$9,795.52 for the purchase of four chemical feed pumps.
4. Bid of Insituform Technologies, USA of Chesterfield, MO for the relining of the Pickard/Harris Sanitary Sewer Interceptor in the amount of \$206,155 and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign contract for same.
5. WHEREAS, under the date of October 5, 2009, the Traffic Engineer of the City of Mt. Pleasant issued temporary traffic control order No. 1-2010 (Remove existing stop signs on Washington at Ottawa and install Yield to Pedestrian signs at the Crosswalk). Said temporary traffic control order was presented to the City Commission on March 8, 2010, 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. 1-2010 a permanent traffic control order.
6. WHEREAS, under the date of October 5, 2009, the Traffic Engineer of the City of Mt. Pleasant issued temporary traffic control order No. 2-2010 (Install two stop signs on Washington at Ojibwa). Said temporary traffic control order was presented to the City Commission on March 8, 2010, 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. 2-2010 a permanent traffic control order.
7. Appointment of Mr. Robert Madsen to the Isabella County Cultural Recreation Commission for a term to expire January 31, 2013.

8. WHEREAS, Article XII, Section 4 "Municipal Utilities", of the Charter of the City of Mt. Pleasant, requires that all unpaid utility services be reported by the City Manager to the City Commission, and  
WHEREAS, the City Commission shall order publication of a notice of unpaid utility charges,  
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Commission orders that public notice be given that all unpaid utility charges not paid by April 15, 2010, will be assessed upon city tax rolls against the property to which the utility services have been supplied or furnished.
9. Payrolls dated 3/5/10 and warrants dated 2/23/10, 2/26/10 and 3/4/10 all totaling \$977,900.35.

Motion unanimously adopted.

Director Chris Bundy gave a brief presentation on the Parks and Recreation Master Plan.

A public hearing was held on the 2010-2015 Parks and Recreation Master Plan. Tim Nam, 1422 Meadow Street spoke on the need to build a larger skate park to increase the ability of skateboarders to skate in Mt. Pleasant. Mark Smith, business owner, spoke on behalf of Vision 20/20 and their desire to see continued expansion of the trail system.

There being no additional comments or communications the Mayor closed the public hearing. Discuss ensued between the City Commission and staff.

Moved by Commissioner McGuire and supported by Vice Mayor Kilmer to approve pilot program on Purchasing Card initiative. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Tilmann and supported by Commissioner Ling to approve closed session pursuant to subsection 8(h) of the Open Meetings Act to discuss a legal opinion from legal counsel.

AYES: Commissioners Holton, Kilmer, Ling, McGuire, Palmer and Tilmann  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: Commissioner Joslin

#### Announcements on City-Related Issues and Concerns

Commissioner Tilmann announced that the Isabella County Council of Governments will be meeting on March 17 at 7:00 p.m. at the Isabella County Building.

Commissioner Ling congratulated Julie Swidwinski for the article she wrote in the MML Review and public should make sure and check it out.

#### Public Comment on Agenda and Non-Agenda Items

Joe Granfield, 1522 S. Mission St., Representing SGA, spoke on the hazard of the crosswalk between the 3 way stop at Franklin and Preston and the stop sign at crosswalk from UC to Park Library. Would like to see a yield to pedestrian sign at the crosswalk.

The City Commission recessed at 7:59 p.m. and entered into a closed session at 8:04 p.m. A separate set of minutes was taken for the closed session. The Commission went back into open session at 8:30 p.m.

Mayor Holton adjourned the meeting at 8:31 p.m.

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James Holton, Mayor

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Jeremy Howard, City Clerk