

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held Monday, November 22, 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 English, Joslin, Ling, McGuire and Tilmann

Commissioners Absent: None

Others Present: City Manager Grinzinger and City Clerk Howard

### Proclamations and Presentations

MMDC's President & CEO Brian Anderson gave a presentation on MMDC's proposed budget.

Received the following petitions and communications:

1. Mt. Pleasant CBD TIFA DDA Minutes (October)
2. Mt. Pleasant Planning Commission Minutes (October)
3. Mt. Pleasant Zoning Board of Appeals Minutes (September)

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

1. Minutes of the special meeting of the City Commission held November 1, 2010, and of the closed session held November 1, 2010.
2. Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held November 8, 2010, and of the closed session held November 8, 2010.
3. Bids for 2011 Water Treatment Plant treatment (bulk) chemicals as follows:

Lime	Western Lime, Inc.	\$138.00/ton
Caustic:	KA Steel Chemicals, Inc.	\$493.39/ton
Liquid CO2	Continental Carbonic Products	\$ 68.00/ton
Ferric Chloride:	Kemira Water Solutions	\$515.00/ton
Sodium Hypochlorite:	JCI Jones Chemicals, Inc.	\$ 0.700/gallon
Anionic Polymer	Nalco Company	\$ 0.925/lb
Polyphosphate	Nalco Company	\$ 8.20/gallon
Sodium Fluoride	Alexander Chemical Corp.	\$ 0.85/lb
4. Contract with Gateway Air Service for management services at Mt. Pleasant Municipal Airport.
5. Resolution recognizing the Mt. Pleasant Athletic Sports Boosters as a non-profit organization for the purpose of obtaining a Charitable Gaming License.
6. Resolution approving refunding contract with the Mt. Pleasant Building Authority for 2001 Building Authority Public Safety Bonds. (CCM Exhibit 4-2010)
7. Payrolls dated 11/12/10 and warrants dated 11/10/10 and 11/18/10 all totaling \$724,125.59.

Motion unanimously adopted.

A public hearing was held on the request from AMES, LLC to conditionally rezone 313, 317 and 401 East Gaylord.

Gordon Risbridger, 1002 S. Fancher and William Strickler, 924 S. Fancher (spoke for himself and Roger & Cindy Holt, Ken Cherry, Elizabeth Thelen, Marty & Sandy Trombley, Jamie Waters, Paul Shirley, Bill & Cindy Walz, Bill & Elaine Connell) spoke against the rezoning. Correspondence was received from Corey Friedrich, 1022 S. Fancher in opposition of conditional rezoning.

Jay Lanctot, 1318 E. Broadway; Roger Fultz, 625 S. Kinney; Eric Layfield, 1010 Main St., and David Akels, 321 E. Wisconsin spoke in favor of the rezoning. Correspondence was received from Brandon LaBelle, 405 S. Mission St. in support of the rezoning.

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

Moved by Commissioner Ling and supported by Commissioner Tilmann to reject the request from AMES, LLC to conditionally rezone 313, 317 and 401 East Gaylord Street based on 1) it runs counter to master plan; 2) it is counter to goals of owner occupied residential program; and 3) the timing is inappropriate due to upcoming master plan review.

Jeff Jakeway, 625 E. Cherry St., spoke in favor of the rezoning and said that if the conditional rezoning is not approved he will possibly consider additional conditions and bring the rezoning issue back to the City Commission.

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

A public hearing was held on the proposed 2011 Operating Budget and Millage. Jeff Jakeway, 625 E. Cherry St., asked the Commission if they planned on balancing the budget through raising taxes or development to increase tax base. There being no other comments or communications the Mayor closed the public hearing. No action taken at this time.

Moved by Commissioner Tilmann and supported by Commissioner English to adopt the following resolution making Temporary Traffic Control Order #08-2010 permanent with the condition that if the fixed bus route is no longer in use, the space should revert back to parking spaces.

WHEREAS, under the date of August 17, 2010, the Traffic Engineer of the City of Mt. Pleasant issued temporary traffic control order No. 8-2010 ("**Removal of existing three-hour parking signs on Broadway near the southwest corner of Broadway and Main Streets and install "No Parking Here to Corner - ICTC Bus Stop" signage also on Broadway Street**"). Said temporary traffic control order was presented to the City Commission on November 22, 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. 8-2010 a permanent traffic control order.

AYES: Commissioners English, Joslin, Kilmer, Ling, McGuire and Tilmann  
NAYS: Commissioner Holton  
ABSENT: None  
Resolution adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Joslin and supported by Vice Mayor Kilmer to approve the Working Capital Loan and authorize Mary Ann Kornexl, RLF staff liason, to process the \$5,600 Downtown Working Capital/Façade Improvement loan to Kris Roethlisberger owner of Ace of Diamonds, 128 E. Broadway. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Vice Mayor Kilmer and supported by Commissioner McGuire to approve the Working Capital Loan and authorize Mary Ann Kornexl, RLF staff liason, to process the \$9,000 Downtown Working Capital/Façade Improvement loan to Terri Ramon owner of Salon Blu, 121 S. University. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Vice Mayor Kilmer and supported by Commissioner Tilmann to continue to contract with Lynch, Gallagher and Lynch for prosecutorial services throughout all of 2011 for an annual fee equivalent to \$73,656 from January 1 through

March 1 and increasing by 2% on March 1, 2011. Also, to continue the City's agreement with Clark Hill for all other municipal legal services at the rate of \$6800.00 per month and \$185 per hour.

AYES: Commissioners English, Holton, Joslin, Kilmer, Ling and Tilmann  
NAYS: Commissioner McGuire  
ABSENT: None  
Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Joslin and supported by Commissioner Ling to approve a contract for economic development services with Middle Michigan Development Corporation (MMDC). Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Ling and supported by Commissioner Tilmann to cancel the regular meeting of the Mt. Pleasant City Commission of December 27, 2010 and reschedule the meeting for December 20, 2010. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Vice Mayor Kilmer and supported by Commissioner English to approve MDOT Performance Resolution for Governmental Agencies and for designation of Street Administrator for the purpose of representing the City in transactions with the State Transportation Department.

AYES: Commissioners English, Holton, Kilmer, Ling, McGuire and Tilmann  
NAYS: Commissioner Joslin  
ABSENT: None  
Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Ling and supported by Commissioner Tilmann to enter into closed session pursuant to subsection 8(c) of the Open Meetings Act to discuss strategy connected with the negotiation of a collective bargaining agreement.

AYES: Commissioners English, Holton, Joslin, Kilmer, Ling, McGuire and Tilmann  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None  
Motion unanimously adopted.

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

Commissioner Tilmann announced that the Isabella County Council of Governments meets December 15 at 7:00 p.m. at the County Building. She also congratulated Sacred Heart and Mt. Pleasant Football teams on their success this season.

Commissioner English congratulated Sacred Heart and Mt. Pleasant Volleyball and Cross Country teams as well.

Mayor Holton asked Downtown Development Director Michelle Sponseller to remind citizens of the Dickens Christmas Festival scheduled for December 3 and 4 and directed them to [www.downtownmp.com](http://www.downtownmp.com) for additional information.

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

Isabella County Continuum of Care to Prevent Homelessness representative Erin Herrington provided information to the Commission on what they have accomplished recently and what some of their future goals are.

The City Commission recessed at 8:26 p.m. and entered into closed session at 8:34 p.m. The Commission went back into regular session at 9:03 p.m. A separate set of minutes was taken for the closed session.

Moved by Commissioner English and supported by Commissioner Tilmann to approve the 2011-2015 Labor Agreement with the Paid On-Call Firefighters as presented, including the changes to the MERS Retirement Program as outlined in the Agreement.

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

NAYS: Commissioner Joslin

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

Work Session - Proposed 2011 Operating Budget

City Manager Grinzinger opened a discussion on the proposed 2011 Operating Budget and asked the Commissioners if they had any questions or would like to discuss any specifics. Discussion ensued.

Mayor Holton adjourned the meeting without objection at 9:20 p.m.

James Holton, Mayor

Jeremy Howard, City Clerk