

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held Monday, October 28, 2013 at 7:01 p.m. in the City Commission Room.

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

Commissioners Present: Mayor Ling and Vice Mayor Tilmann; Commissioners English, Holton, Rautanen and Sous

Commissioners Absent: Commissioner Joslin

Others Present: City Manager Grinzinger and City Clerk Howard

#### Proclamations and Presentations

Stephanie Ward, Aviation Planning Services Manager for Mead & Hunt, gave a presentation on the Airport Layout Plan (ALP) and Airport Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). Discussion ensued.

#### Additions to Agenda

Closed session was moved in front of Work session on the agenda.

#### Receipt of Petitions and Communications

Received the following petitions and communications:

1. Mt. Pleasant Airport Advisory Board Minutes (August)
2. Resignation of Alan Godley from the Principal Shopping District Board (Downtown Development Board).
3. Resignation of Meghan White from the Historic District Commission.
4. Third Quarter Investment Report.

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

1. Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held October 14, 2013.
2. Receive withdrawal of Industrial Facilities Tax Abatement Application from Dayco at 1799 Gover Parkway.
3. Payrolls dated October 25, 2013 and warrants dated October 21, 23 and 24, 2013 all totaling \$929,188.25.

Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Holton and supported by Commissioner English to approve a budget amendment of \$10,000 allowing the purchase and installation of recording equipment for the Mt. Pleasant Police Department and award a contract to purchase such system to VanBelkum of Grand Rapids, Michigan in the amount of \$29,686.50. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Holton and supported by Commissioner Rautanen to award a five-year contract (from 2013 through 2017) for auditing services to the firm of Vredeveld Haefner, LLC. of Grand Rapids, Michigan in the amount of \$103,750. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Holton and supported by Commissioner English to award a contract to Melching, Inc. of Nunica, Michigan in the amount of \$1,417,500 for the demolition of structures at the Mt. Pleasant Center and to increase the City's contribution from \$200,000 to \$420,000 with the additional funds coming from the Economic Development Fund. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner English and supported by Commissioner Sous to adopt the 2013 Airport Layout Plan (ALP) and Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) for the Mt. Pleasant Municipal Airport. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Vice Mayor Tilmann and supported by Commissioner Holton to approve the following appointments to boards and commissions as recommended by the Appointments Committee.

Term To Expire

**TAX INCREMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY/  
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

Margaret McAvoy

January 31, 2014

Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner English and supported by Vice Mayor Tilmann to enter into closed session pursuant to Section 8(e) of the Open Meetings Act to consult with counsel regarding pending litigation.

AYES: Commissioners English, Holton, Ling, Rautanen, Sous and Tilmann

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Joslin

Motion carried.

Announcements on City-Related Issues and Concerns

Commissioner Holton announced that Trick-or-Treating in the City of Mt. Pleasant will be observed on Thursday, October 31 from 6 to 8 p.m. He also announced that the City's leaf collection program runs from October 22 until November 22.

Vice Mayor Tilmann commends and thanks the many community organizations that are hosting events for Halloween.

Mayor Ling announced that the City is hosting Mayor Exchange Day on October 29, 2013 with the City of Adrian.

The Commission recessed at 7:42 and went into closed session at 7:46 p.m. A separate set of minutes was taken for the closed session. The Commission went back into open session at 8:11 p.m.

Moved by Vice Mayor Tilmann and supported by Commissioner English to adopt the recommendation of City Attorney regarding a pending lawsuit.

AYES: Commissioners English, Ling, Rautanen, Sous and Tilmann

NAYS: Commissioner Holton

ABSENT: Commissioner Joslin

Motion carried.

**WORK SESSION** - 2014 Operating Budget Presentation

City Manager Grinzinger and Assistant City Manager/Director of Finance Ridley gave a presentation on the proposed 2014 Operating Budget. Discussion ensued.

The Mayor adjourned the meeting without objection at 8:41 p.m.

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Kathleen Ling, Mayor

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Jeremy Howard, City Clerk