

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held Monday, April 22, 2013 at 7:02 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 (7:05p.m.), Joslin (7:05p.m.), Rautanen and Sous

Commissioners Absent: None

Others Present: City Manager Grinzinger and City Clerk Howard

Proclamations and Presentations

Mayor Ling read and presented a proclamation to Captain Brian Reed of the Salvation Army in support of "Salvation Army Week - May 13, 2013".

Mayor Ling read and presented a proclamation to John Scheide of Mountain Town Singers, in support of "Barbershop Harmony Week - April 22-26, 2013" and in honor of the 75th anniversary of the Barbershop Harmony Society.

Public Input on Agenda Items

Lisa Hadden, Benjamin Rollenhagen and Bill Strickland, Le Tour Race Co-Directors, gave some information on Le Tour de Mont Pleasant and asked the Commission to support the resolution on the agenda.

Received the following petitions and communications:

1. First Quarter Investment Report
2. 2012 Annual Report
3. Mt. Pleasant Planning Commission, Central Business District Tax Increment Finance Authority (CBD-TIFA), Downtown Development Board (DDB) Minutes (March work session)
4. Mt. Pleasant Planning Commission Minutes (March)

Remove item 10c. "Spring Tree" from the Consent Calendar.

Moved by Commissioner Holton and supported by Commissioner Sous to approve the following items on the Consent Calendar:

1. Minutes of the work session of the City Commission held April 8, 2013.
2. Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held April 8, 2013.
3. Minutes of the special meeting of the City Commission held April 15, 2013.
4. Bid of Sparling Corporation of Romulus, Michigan in the amount of \$29,982 for the purchase and installation of a new Jet A fuel cabinet.
5. Bid of Isabella Corporation of Mt. Pleasant, Michigan in an amount not-to-exceed \$120,000 for the 2013 Sidewalk Replacement project.
6. WHEREAS, under the date of January 28, 2012, the Traffic Engineer of the City of Mt. Pleasant issued temporary traffic control order No. 1-2013 (Install two "STOP" signs on Washington at Ottawa Street). Said temporary traffic control order was presented to the City Commission on April 22, 2013, 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. 1-2013 a permanent traffic control order.
7. Sidewalk Licenses for Brass Café, Flour Uprising, Market on Main, Max and Emily's, Midori Sushi Restaurant and Pisanello's Pizza.
8. Payrolls dated 4/5/13 and 4/12/13 and warrants dated 4/4/13, 4/10/13, and 4/18/13 all totaling \$748,117.35.

Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Holton and supported by Commissioner Rautanen to award the 2013 Spring Tree Purchase bid to Kankakee Nursery Co. of Aroma Park, Illinois in the amount of \$7,029. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Holton and supported by Commissioner Rautanen to approve the following Resolution in support of the Fifth Annual Le Tour de Mont Pleasant.

WHEREAS, The City of Mt. Pleasant is dedicated to providing quality community services to the area and residents it serves; and

WHEREAS, Community leadership and involvement through partnerships with community organizations is a crucial element in the accomplishment of that mission; and

WHEREAS, The Mt. Pleasant Area Chamber of Commerce is hosting a community and county wide event entitled "Le Tour de Mont Pleasant," a series of community and pro-racing bicycling events on June 7th and 8th and 9th of 2013 and wishes to partner with the City of Mt. Pleasant; and

WHEREAS, The City of Mt. Pleasant wishes to partner with the Mt. Pleasant Area Chamber of Commerce to provide a positive economic impact in the city, county and surrounding area; and

WHEREAS, The City of Mt. Pleasant will be named as an additional insured and shall indemnify and keep indemnified the Commission, its officers, and employees from all claims, suits and judgments,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Mt. Pleasant City Commission and the Mt. Pleasant Area Chamber of Commerce are formally expressing their desire to work together and partner to host "Le Tour de Mont Pleasant" bicycling event to be held on the 7th and 8th and 9th of June in 2013.

Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Rautanen and supported by Vice Mayor Tilmann to approve a contract with Management Recruiters of Jackson, Michigan for recruitment of two positions within the Division of Public Works and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign said contract.

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

NAYS: Commissioner English

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Holton and supported by Commissioner Rautanen to accept the proposal from Joe Olivieri for purchase of nine (9) sites in Eastpointe IV and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign the documents after they are prepared by the City's attorney. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Vice Mayor Tilmann and supported by Commissioner Joslin to receive proposed Ordinance to Amend Section 154.146(H), of Chapter 154: Zoning Ordinances of the Code of Ordinances regarding the size of wall signs in shopping centers in the C-3, General Business Zoning District and set a public hearing for May 28, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Holton and supported by Commissioner Sous to receive an application from MTW Industries, LLC to create an Industrial Facility Tax Abatement and direct MMDC to verify if the applicant is willing to provide a written statement to extend the time frame for review of the request until August 31, 2013. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Vice Mayor Tilmann and supported by Commissioner Joslin to authorize the City Manager to negotiate agreements and leases for the Mt. Pleasant Municipal Airport subject to a review of the lease documents by the City Attorney. Motion unanimously adopted.

Announcements on City-Related Issues and Concerns

Vice Mayor Tilmann announced that the Isabella County Council of Governments will be meeting on May 15, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. at Coe Township Hall. She also extended gratitude from a CMU class she spoke at for removing the traffic circle on Bellows.

Commissioner Joslin reminded the Commission and the public that Jockey Alley construction is underway.

Commissioner Rautanen announced that the Chamber of Commerce is offering E-Waste Recycling on May 3 from 9a.m. – 6p.m. and on May 4 from 9a.m. – 12p.m.

Commissioner Sous wished everyone a happy “Earth Day” and encouraged people to get out and ride their bikes.

Mayor Ling announced that she attended the Little Free Library dedication outside of Herbs, Etc. and reminded residents of the Open House being held at City Hall on Tuesday, April 23, 2013 from 4 – 8 p.m. on the Highest and Best Use Study on Mt. Pleasant Center and the City’s Master Plan.

The Commission recessed at 8:09 p.m. and went into a work session at 8:12 p.m.

Work Session

A work session was held on the replacement of electronic devices for City Commissioners.

City Clerk/Information Technology Director Howard led a discussion on the replacement of electronic devices for City Commissioners.

The Mayor adjourned the meeting without objection at 8:32 p.m.

Kathleen Ling, Mayor

Jeremy Howard, City Clerk