

Minutes of the work session of the City Commission held Monday, August 12, 2013 at 6:02 p.m. at City Hall in Conference Room A.

Mayor Ling called the meeting to order.

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

Commissioners Absent: Vice Mayor Tilmann

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

Work Session - Special Assessment street lighting for Washington Street

City Manager Grinzinger and Assistant City Manager/Finance Director Ridley led a discussion on special assessment street lighting for Washington Street. Discussion ensued.

Mayor Ling adjourned the meeting without objection at 6:52 p.m.

Kathleen Ling, Mayor

Jeremy Howard, City Clerk

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held Monday, August 12, 2013 at 7:00 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; Commissioners English, Holton, Joslin, Rautanen and Sous

Commissioners Absent: Vice Mayor Tilmann

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

Proclamations and Presentations

Fire Sergeant Michael Dunham gave a presentation on the City's inter-departmental neighborhood resource unit. Discussion ensued.

Brian Anderson, President of MMDC, gave the quarterly update for Middle Michigan Development Corporation (MMDC).

Received the following petitions and communications:

1. Second Quarter Investment Report
2. Mt. Pleasant Parks and Recreation Commission Minutes (May)
3. Zoning Board of Appeals Minutes (June)
4. Mt. Pleasant Planning Commission Work Session Minutes (July)
5. Mt. Pleasant Planning Commission Regular Meeting Minutes (July)

Moved by Commissioner Holton 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 July 22, 2013.
2. Minutes of the closed session of the City Commission held July 22, 2013.
3. Contract for the sanitary sewer repair along Mission Street to The Isabella Corporation of Mt. Pleasant, Michigan in the amount of \$17,500 as a single source supplier.

4. Bid of GroAmerica, Inc. of Grand Rapids, Michigan for lime residuals removal at \$11.70 per cubic yard for the east pond and \$14.75 per cubic yard for the backwash pond with a not-to-exceed amount of \$275,000.
5. Resolution to allow engineering department to apply for Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) right-of-way permits.
6. Payrolls dated August 2, 2013 and warrants dated July 18, 22, 26, 31, 2013 and August 2 and 8, 2013 all totaling \$2,013,643.39.

Motion unanimously adopted.

A public hearing was held on Application of MTW Industries, LLC for an Industrial Facilities Tax Abatement.

Brian Anderson, MMDC President, 200 E. Broadway and Brent Fisher, MTW owner, spoke in favor of the Industrial Facilities Tax Abatement for MTW Industries.

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

Moved by Commissioner English and supported by Commissioner Holton to approve the Application of MTW Industries, LLC For Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate for Personal Property in the amount of \$562,500.

WHEREAS, pursuant to P.A. 198 of 1974, M.C.L. 207.551 et seq., after a duly noticed public hearing held on March 14, 2011 the City Commission by resolution established Industrial Development District No. 6; and

WHEREAS, MTW Industries, LLC has filed an application for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate with respect to a new facility to be acquired and installed within the Industrial Development No. 6; and

WHEREAS, before acting on said application, the City Commission held a hearing on August 12, 2013, at the City Commission Room, in City Hall, at 7:00 p.m., 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 August 12, 2013, 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 Mt. Pleasant; and

WHEREAS, the aggregate SEV of real and personal property exempt from ad Valorem taxes within the City of Mt. 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 Mt. 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 Mt. Pleasant, or impairing the financial soundness of a taxing unit which levies ad Valorem property taxes in the City of Mt. Pleasant.
2. The application from MTW Industries, LLC for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate, with respect to a New Facility on the following

described parcel of real property situated within the Industrial Development District No. 6, to wit:

A PARCEL OF LAND COM 874.67 FT E OF SW COR SEC 10, TH N 182 FT TO POB, TH W 150 FT, N 290.40 FT, E 150 FT, S 290.40 FT TO POB SEC 10, T14N R42 (17-000-15200-00)

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 6 years.

Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Holton and supported by Commissioner Joslin to approve payment to Winn Telecom for the relocation of fiber and copper telecommunications lines in Parking Lot #2 (Jockey Alley) in the amount of \$18,549. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner English and supported by Commissioner Rautanen to approve the following appointments to boards and commissions as recommended by the Appointments Committee.

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

Tim Driessnack

Term To Expire

December 31, 2014

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Peter Orlik

December 31, 2013

Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Holton and supported by Commissioner Rautanen to direct staff to determine the next steps for the Commission to consider Special Assessment District #1-13: to install pedestrian street lighting on the west side of South Washington St. from West Bellows St. on the south to West High St. on the north with a City contribution toward the project of 30% of the cost and an assumption of a payback period of 7 years at the rate of three percent (3%). Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Holton and supported by Commissioner Joslin to approve the following Resolution Authorizing the City to enter into a Subrecipient Agreement with the Great Lakes Regional Development Corporation regarding the City's Revolving Loan Funds (RLF) and appointing Mary Ann Kornexl as the representative for the City on the Regional Loan Approval Committee.

WHEREAS, the City of Mt. Pleasant would like to participate in the Michigan Economic Development Corporation Revolving Loan Fund regional model and

WHEREAS, the City of Mt. Pleasant would like to execute a Subrecipient Agreement with Great Lakes Regional Development Corporation;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Regional Fund will operate in a way that is consistent with the City of Mt. Pleasant's community development plan;
2. The City of Mt. Pleasant assumes all the responsibilities for environmental review, decision making and action as specified and required under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321) and Section 104

(f) of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act and implementing regulations 24 CFR Part 58;

3. Kathie Grinzinger, City Manager, is authorized to sign Regional Fund related documents on behalf of the City of Mt. Pleasant, including the Subrecipient Agreement and Statement of Assurances;
4. Mary Ann Kornexl, City Treasurer, is authorized to represent and vote on behalf of the City of Mt. Pleasant as a member of the Regional Fund Loan Approval Committee.

Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Holton and supported by Commissioner English to enter into closed session pursuant to Section 8(h) of the Open Meetings Act to consider material exempt from discussion or disclosure by state or federal statute.

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

NAYS: Commissioner Joslin

ABSENT: Commissioner Tilmann

Motion carried.

Announcements on City-Related Issues and Concerns

Commissioner Holton thanked the Adams Street crew for doing a great job and completing the street this year.

Commissioner Joslin congratulated the DDB and ArtWalk on a great event and on the painting of the intersection downtown. He also reminded the residents that the last of the Movies by Moonlight, *Breakfast at Tiffany's*, will be playing August 17.

Mayor Ling congratulated the DDB and ArtWalk on a great event and on the painting of the intersection downtown; announced that the City of Adrian is interested in a Mayor/Commissioner exchange possibly September 10, 2013; and encouraged Commissioners to look at the MML website for convention and proactive agenda information.

Commissioner Sous announced that the Washington Street Area Neighborhood Event is this Sunday at 4:00 p.m. at Potter Park, Commissioners and public are encouraged to attend.

The Commission recessed at 7:55 p.m. and went into a closed session at 8:01 p.m. A separate set of minutes was taken for the closed session. The Commission went back into open session at 8:51p.m.

The Mayor adjourned the meeting without objection at 8:52 p.m.

Kathleen Ling, Mayor

Jeremy Howard, City Clerk