

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held Monday, October 13, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Commission Room.

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

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

Commissioners Absent: Commissioner Joslin

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

Proclamations and Presentations

Mayor Tilmann read and presented a proclamation to Lorna Kahgegab, Sub Chief of the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe, recognizing October 13, 2014 as "Indigenous Peoples Day".

Public Input on Agenda Items

Carl Lee, 1316 Illinois Ct., spoke in opposition to the vacation of Illinois Street west of Greenfield Dr. Adam Palmer, 302 Greenfield Dr., spoke in support of the vacation of Illinois Street west of Greenfield Dr.

Receipt of Petitions and Communications

Received the following petitions and communications:

1. Parks and Recreation Commission Minutes (July)
2. Mt. Pleasant Planning Commission Minutes (September)
3. Letter from Carl Lee, 1316 Illinois Ct., in opposition to the vacation of Illinois Street west of Greenfield Dr.
4. Correspondence from Thomas Horgan, Jeff Jakeway and Douglas Neff in opposition to Principal Shopping District #1-15 Special Assessment.

Item 7c "Bids and Quotations Snow Hauling" was removed from the Consent Calendar.

Moved by Vice Mayor 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 September 22, 2014.
2. Bid of Krapohl Ford of Mt. Pleasant, Michigan for the replacement of two heavy-duty trucks in the amount of \$46,656.
3. Bid of AIS Construction Equipment of Lansing, Michigan for the purchase of a High Lift Wheel Loader with Bucket in the amount of \$169,500.
4. Bid for the purchase of 800 tons of road salt for ice control for the 2014-2015 winter season through the State's MiDeal Extended Purchasing Program at a cost of \$78.37 per ton for a total cost of \$62,696.00.
5. Award contract for assistance with the 2015-2020 Parks and Recreation Master Plan to the Spicer Group of Saginaw, Michigan for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$10,500.
6. Resolution to opt out of health care limits:

WHEREAS, the Publicly Funded Insurance Contribution Act 152 of 2011 establishes standards and a process with respect to medical plan costs, and

WHEREAS, the City of Mt. Pleasant believes it is in compliance with the law, but due to being self-funded believes that interpretations could result in non-compliance,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Commission of the City of Mt. Pleasant hereby exercises its option under the law to opt out of the caps for 2015.

7. Resolution for a contract with Michigan Department of Transportation for trunkline maintenance:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Municipal Trunkline Maintenance contract between the MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION and the CITY OF MT. PLEASANT for the period October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2019, is hereby accepted and Robert J. Murphy is designated as Maintenance Superintendent on sections of State Trunkline Highways as shown on the Municipal Route Section Map and Budget Sheets.

8. Set Public Hearing on proposed 2015 Operating Budget for Monday, November 10, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Commission Room, City Hall, 320 W. Broadway St.
9. Warrants dated September 24; October 2 and 7, 2014 and payrolls dated September 26, 2014 all totaling \$1,235,997.55.

Motion unanimously adopted.

A public hearing was held on the Principal Shopping District Special Assessment District No. 1-15. Kurt Feight, representing 119 S. Franklin St., spoke in support of postponing action. There being no additional comments or communications the Mayor closed the public hearing.

Moved by Vice Mayor Holton and supported by Commissioner Rautanen to deny Resolution #5 as presented and direct staff to prepare a revised Special Assessment Role and a revised Resolution #5 for Principal Shopping District Special Assessment District No. 1-15 using \$85,000 for a term of one year for consideration on October 27, 2014.

AYES: Commissioners Holton, Kulick, Rautanen and Tilmann

NAYS: Commissioners Ling and Sous

ABSENT: Commissioner Joslin

Motion carried.

A public hearing was held on proposed Ordinance to Amend Chapter 110, General Licensing, Sections 110.27 and 110.28, of the Mount Pleasant City Code to Regulate Vendors and Mobile Food Service Providers. There being no public comment or communications received the Mayor closed the public hearing.

Moved by Commissioner Rautanen and supported by Commissioner Sous that Ordinance 990, an Ordinance to amend Chapter 110, General Licensing, Sections 110.27 and 110.28, of the Mount Pleasant City Code to Regulate Vendors and Mobile Food Service Providers having been introduced and read, now be passed, ordained and ordered published.

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

NAYS: Commissioner Kulick

ABSENT: Commissioner Joslin

Motion carried.

Moved by Vice Mayor Holton and supported by Commissioner Kulick to award the contract for 2014-2015 Snow Hauling to R&T Murphy Trucking, LLC of Mt. Pleasant, Michigan at a cost of \$101.01 per hour, per dump truck and operator, and \$150.00 per hour, per loader and operator, for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$18,000. City of Mt. Pleasant Street Superintendent Bob Murphy is a co-owner with a financial interest in R&T Murphy Trucking. No City staff and/or resources/facilities will be used in fulfilling the contract terms.

AYES: Commissioners Holton, Kulick, Rautanen, Sous and Tilmann

NAYS: Commissioner Ling

ABSENT: Commissioner Joslin

Motion carried

Moved by Commissioner Sous and supported by Commissioner Ling to postpone action on request to vacate Illinois Street west of Greenfield Drive until such time that staff gathers information on potential access to the 11-acre vacant property via Mary Street.

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

NAYS: Commissioner Holton

ABSENT: Commissioner Joslin

Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Commissioner Sous to take no action regarding downtown holiday decoration options. Motion unanimously adopted.

Announcements on City-Related Issues and Concerns

Commissioner Kulick encouraged the public to come see the new trees that were recently planted downtown. He announced that applications for Boards and Commissions are available until October 24, 2014.

City Manager Ridley announced that Halloween trick-or-treating will be observed from 6 to 8 p.m. on Friday, October 31.

Vice Mayor Holton apologized to the Commissioners and residents for noise complaints associated with Mountain Town Station's Oktoberfest celebration.

Commissioner Ling commented that she received a call from a resident regarding status of storm water drainage ordinance; she announced that she has had communications with the Student Government Association regarding voting and questioned status of transportation of students to and from polling locations; and she announced that the International Relations Committee is holding a fundraising event on November 7 at the University Center.

Mayor Tilmann reported that the storm drain ordinance has been prepared but that she and the Vice Mayor have asked that it be delayed in order to deal with other pressing agenda items; she announced that voter transportation will be discussed at the next City/CMU liaison meeting; and that the Broadway players did an excellent job in their performance of *Little Shop of Horrors*.

Public Comment on Agenda and Non-Agenda Items

Kurt Feight, 3213 Brittany Dr., spoke on Downtown Lot 8 permits and concerns with the lot being changed to 10 hour parking instead of permit based parking.

The Commission recessed at 8:18 p.m. and went into a work session at 8:28 p.m.

WORK SESSION - 2015 Proposed Operating Budget

City Manager Ridley gave a presentation on the 2015 proposed Operating Budget.

Discussion ensued.

The Mayor adjourned the meeting without objection at 8:58 p.m.

Sharon Tilmann, Mayor

Jeremy Howard, City Clerk